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South Dakota Public Utilities Commission Pierre, SD

Dear Commissioners:

As Mayor of the City of Sisseton, I wish to express my support of the Dakota Range Wind III project proposed for southern Roberts County. Economic development is very important to small towns and rural areas. This project will add to our local tax base as well as provide significant economic activity to our area during construction. This will be of benefit to our local businesses and will increase sales tax receipts for towns in the area. The owners of the land involved in this project will see an additional revenue stream from a natural resource that had not been harnessed before. This is very beneficial to farm owner- operators in light of depressed commodity prices and a significant hail storm that damaged crops in the area last year.

The developers of this project have done a very good job of being proactive in reaching out to local governments and the public in general to inform them of the project. They have met with our City Council and with our local Development Corporation Board. This has provided an opportunity for open dialogue to answer questions and address any concerns.

I trust in your judgement in applying all required diligence to the process of permitting this project. Thank you for what you do for our state that contributes so much to our economic wellbeing.

Sincerely,

Terry Jaspers Sisseton Mayor