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Dear Ms. Van Gerpen,

I thank the South Dakota Public Utilities Commission in taking up the rule making docket RM13-002. As a small developer of wind in South Dakota it's hard to be taken serious by utility companies. There needs to be a transparent way of doing business so when you try and work with utility companies they don't blow you off.

In the case of Oak Tree Energy LLC the commission went through a process to determine an avoided cost since Northwestern refused to enter into a power purchase agreement. I would suggest all companies should have to provide the commission their avoided cost so when developers are looking at projects they will know what kind of price they would receive for the power. If this would have to be done under a non disclosure agreement or on file with the commission.

The process for determining a Legally Enforceable Obligation needs to be consistent for all companies trying to develop renewable energy. The LEO needs to follow the FERC rules in establishing a Qualify Facility. The commission should not establish more hurdles on QF's than they do on other projects.

Respectfully submitted,

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