
From: nick Johnson [REDACTED]
Sent: Thursday, 22 March 2018 17:37:19 (UTC-06:00) Central Time (US & Canada)
To: PUC
Subject: [EXT] Dakota Range Wind Project

Nick Johnson

[REDACTED] Baltic SD 57003

I oppose this wind project because it makes me not want to move home. I was born and raised in two miles north of Waverly and lived there until I graduated high school in Waverly. I then went on to South Dakota State University and received a bachelor's degree in civil engineering. I dated and married a girl from South Shore and we moved near Sioux Falls in order to find work. We have always had plans to move back to the Waverly / South Shore area to begin our family, but from the placement of these windmills we have decided that we will not move back to the area if the windmills arrive.

I strongly oppose this wind project and would never choose to live near windmills of this type.

Thanks

*Nick Johnson P.E.
Apex Structural Design
515 South Cliff Avenue Suite 200
Sioux Falls, SD 57104
P: 605-335-4071 EXT. 2*

001544

From: PUC

Sent: Friday, March 23, 2018 2:37 PM

To: [REDACTED]

Subject: EL18-003

Mr. Johnson:

This is in response to your message regarding the Dakota Range Permit Application request, filed with the commission on Jan. 24, 2018.

I encourage you to follow along as this docket is processed. Here is a link to the docket, EL18-003, <http://www.puc.sd.gov/Dockets/Electric/2018/EL18-003.aspx>, and here is a link to the PUC's Information Guide to Siting Energy Conversion & Electric Transmission Facilities, <http://puc.sd.gov/commission/Publication/sitinghandout.pdf>. It is helpful in explaining the PUC's processing of siting dockets such as this one.

Your message and this response will be posted in the commission's public, online docket under Comments and Responses.

Thank you for your interest in the Dakota Range Permit Request.

Chairperson Kristie Fiegen
South Dakota Public Utilities Commission

www.puc.sd.gov

001545

To Whom It May Concern,

As a community member, I am writing to you to express my support for the nearby Dakota Range Wind, an Apex Clean Energy wind project located in Codington and Grant counties, South Dakota.

- I support Dakota Range Wind because it will provide economic benefits to the local economy, tax base, schools, residents, towns, and counties.
- I support Dakota Range Wind because it will provide numerous benefits for the local and broader environment, including water consumption savings and carbon dioxide emissions reductions.
- I support Dakota Range Wind because its developer, Apex Clean Energy, is responsible and honest.

Sincerely,

Additional Comments:

David Zubke
Signature

David Zubke
Printed Name

1-12-18
Date

[Redacted] Waubay SD
Address

[Redacted]
Phone Number

RECEIVED
MAR 23 2018
SOUTH DAKOTA PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION

To Whom It May Concern,

As a community member, I am writing to you to express my support for the nearby Dakota Range Wind, an Apex Clean Energy wind project located in Codington and Grant counties, South Dakota.

- I support Dakota Range Wind because it will provide economic benefits to the local economy, tax base, schools, residents, towns, and counties.
- I support Dakota Range Wind because it will provide numerous benefits for the local and broader environment, including water consumption savings and carbon dioxide emissions reductions.
- I support Dakota Range Wind because its developer, Apex Clean Energy, is responsible and honest.

Sincerely,

Additional Comments:

Deke Redhick
Signature

Deke Redhick
Printed Name

1-12-18
Date

[Redacted] Milbank SD
Address

[Redacted]
Phone Number

RECEIVED
MAR 23 2018
SOUTH DAKOTA PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION

To Whom It May Concern,

As a community member, I am writing to you to express my support for the nearby Dakota Range Wind, an Apex Clean Energy wind project located in Codington and Grant counties, South Dakota.

- I support Dakota Range Wind because it will provide economic benefits to the local economy, tax base, schools, residents, towns, and counties.
- I support Dakota Range Wind because it will provide numerous benefits for the local and broader environment, including water consumption savings and carbon dioxide emissions reductions.
- I support Dakota Range Wind because its developer, Apex Clean Energy, is responsible and honest.

Sincerely,

Additional Comments:

Wendy Falk
Signature

RECEIVED

MAR 23 2018

SOUTH DAKOTA PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION

Printed Name

1-13-18
Date

Address

Address

Phone Number

South Shore Dr. 5725

To Whom It May Concern,

As a community member, I am writing to you to express my support for the nearby Dakota Range Wind, an Apex Clean Energy wind project located in Codington and Grant counties, South Dakota.

- I support Dakota Range Wind because it will provide economic benefits to the local economy, tax base, schools, residents, towns, and counties.
- I support Dakota Range Wind because it will provide numerous benefits for the local and broader environment, including water consumption savings and carbon dioxide emissions reductions.
- I support Dakota Range Wind because its developer, Apex Clean Energy, is responsible and honest.

Sincerely,

Additional Comments:

Daniel Smith
Signature

RECEIVED

MAR 23 2018

SOUTH DAKOTA PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION

Daniel Smith
Printed Name

1/12/18
Date

Address

Address

Phone Number

14.16911 K

To Whom It May Concern,

As a community member, I am writing to you to express my support for the nearby Dakota Range Wind, an Apex Clean Energy wind project located in Codington and Grant counties, South Dakota.

- I support Dakota Range Wind because it will provide economic benefits to the local economy, tax base, schools, residents, towns, and counties.
- I support Dakota Range Wind because it will provide numerous benefits for the local and broader environment, including water consumption savings and carbon dioxide emissions reductions.
- I support Dakota Range Wind because its developer, Apex Clean Energy, is responsible and honest.

Sincerely,

Additional Comments:

Marilyn Gillespie
Signature

Marilyn Gillespie
Printed Name

1-13-2018
Date

[Redacted]
Address

JOHNSON, MN
56236

[Redacted]
Phone Number

RECEIVED
MAR 23 2018
SOUTH DAKOTA PUBLIC
UTILITIES COMMISSION

To Whom It May Concern,

As a community member, I am writing to you to express my support for the nearby Dakota Range Wind, an Apex Clean Energy wind project located in Codington and Grant counties, South Dakota.

- I support Dakota Range Wind because it will provide economic benefits to the local economy, tax base, schools, residents, towns, and counties.
- I support Dakota Range Wind because it will provide numerous benefits for the local and broader environment, including water consumption savings and carbon dioxide emissions reductions.
- I support Dakota Range Wind because its developer, Apex Clean Energy, is responsible and honest.

Sincerely,

Additional Comments:

Kalin Hacker
Signature

Kalin Hacker
Printed Name

3-20-2018
Date

[Redacted]
Address

Watertown SD

[Redacted]
Phone Number

RECEIVED
MAR 23 2018
SOUTH DAKOTA PUBLIC
UTILITIES COMMISSION

To Whom It May Concern,

As a community member, I am writing to you to express my support for the near Clean Energy wind project located in Codington and Grant counties, South Dak

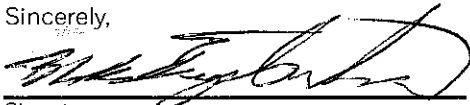
- I support Dakota Range Wind because it will provide economic benefits to schools, residents, towns, and counties.
- I support Dakota Range Wind because it will provide numerous benefits for environment, including water consumption savings and carbon dioxide em
- I support Dakota Range Wind because its developer, Apex Clean Energy, is responsible and honest.

RECEIVED

MAR 23 2018

SOUTH DAKOTA PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION

Sincerely,



Signature

Blake Engobretson

Printed Name

3-20-18

Date

Address

Phone Number

Additional Comments:

I am a Lake Area Energy student and my classmates along with myself strongly support wind because, it will help us in the career field. Hopefully we can have a potential place to be employed close to home!

001549

To Whom It May Concern,

As a community member, I am writing to you to express my support for the nearby Clean Energy wind project located in Codrington and Grant counties, South Dakota

- I support Dakota Range Wind because it will provide economic benefits to the schools, residents, towns, and counties.
- I support Dakota Range Wind because it will provide numerous benefits for the environment, including water consumption savings and carbon dioxide emissions reductions.
- I support Dakota Range Wind because its developer, Apex Clean Energy, is responsible and honest.

Sincerely,

Joshua F Phillips
Signature

Joshua F Phillips
Printed Name

20 mar 2018
Date

[Redacted]

Address Goodwin SD

[Redacted]

Phone Number [Redacted]

Additional Comments: one Day, the coal/gas/finite Resources will be depleted, where will you get your energy from then? thats if globe warming hasnt killed us off by then. Clean + Renewable energy like wind turbines are the answer! we need to be prepared now! Dont be the reason your children have to suffer you should look after thier futurs, not the reason thier future is destroyed because your selfishness

RECEIVED

MAR 23 2018

SOUTH DAKOTA PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION

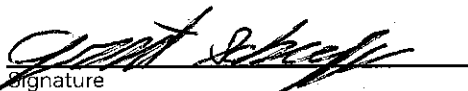
To Whom It May Concern,

As a community member, I am writing to you to express my support for the nearby Dakota Range Wind, an Apex Clean Energy wind project located in Codington and Grant counties, South Dakota.

- I support Dakota Range Wind because it will provide economic benefits to the local economy, tax base, schools, residents, towns, and counties.
- I support Dakota Range Wind because it will provide numerous benefits for the local and broader environment, including water consumption savings and carbon dioxide emissions reductions.
- I support Dakota Range Wind because its developer, Apex Clean Energy, is responsible and honest.

Sincerely,

Additional Comments:


Signature

Grant Schaeffer
Printed Name

3/20/18
Date


Address


Phone Number

As a current student enrolled in the energy tech program at LATI. I am 100% in support of this project, as it is a great job creator for not only me, but many of my peers who as Build Dakota Scholarship recipients are required to be employed in the state.

Watertown SD

RECEIVED

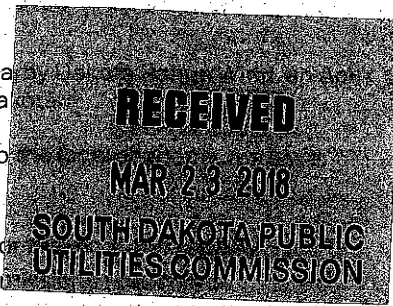
MAR 23 2018

SOUTH DAKOTA PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION

001551

To Whom It May Concern,

As a community member, I am writing to you to express my support for the near
Clean Energy wind project located in Codington and Grant counties, South Da



- I support Dakota Range Wind because it will provide economic benefits to schools, residents, towns, and counties.
- I support Dakota Range Wind because it will provide numerous benefits for environment, including water consumption savings and carbon dioxide emissions.
- I support Dakota Range Wind because its developer, Apex Clean Energy, is responsible and honest.

Sincerely,

Additional Comments:

Stephen Heath
Signature

I am a student at LATI and a future employee in the energy sector and strongly support wind energy and all projects within south Dakota

Stephen Heath
Printed Name

3-20-18
Date

[Redacted] Onida SD 57564
Address

[Redacted]
Phone Number

To Whom It May Concern,

As a community member, I am writing to you to express my support for the nearby Dakota Range Wind, an Apex Clean Energy wind project located in Codington and Grant counties, South Dakota.

- I support Dakota Range Wind because it will provide economic benefits to the local economy, tax base, schools, residents, towns, and counties.
- I support Dakota Range Wind because it will provide numerous benefits for the local and broader environment, including water consumption savings and carbon dioxide emissions reductions.
- I support Dakota Range Wind because its developer, Apex Clean Energy, is responsible and honest.

Sincerely,

Additional Comments:

Marilyn Beutko
Signature

Keep it coming.
Best form of energy!

Marilyn Beutko
Printed Name

1-12-18
Date

[Redacted] - Milbank SD
Address

[Redacted]
Phone Number

RECEIVED

MAR 23 2018

**SOUTH DAKOTA PUBLIC
UTILITIES COMMISSION
001553**

To Whom It May Concern,

As a community member, I am writing to you to express my support for the nearby Dakota Range Wind, an Apex Clean Energy wind project located in Codington and Grant counties, South Dakota.

- I support Dakota Range Wind because it will provide economic benefits to the local economy, tax base, schools, residents, towns, and counties.
- I support Dakota Range Wind because it will provide numerous benefits for the local and broader environment, including water consumption savings and carbon dioxide emissions reductions.
- I support Dakota Range Wind because its developer, Apex Clean Energy, is responsible and honest.

Sincerely,

Signature

Additional Comments:

Landowner SW Summit

Annelies Seffrood

Printed Name

1-12-2018

Date

Address

Phone Number

Twin Brooks, SD

RECEIVED

MAR 23 2018

**SOUTH DAKOTA PUBLIC
UTILITIES COMMISSION**

001554

To Whom It May Concern,

As a community member, I am writing to you to express my support for the nearby Dakota Range Wind, an Apex Clean Energy wind project located in Codington and Grant counties, South Dakota.

- I support Dakota Range Wind because it will provide economic benefits to the local economy, tax base, schools, residents, towns, and counties.
- I support Dakota Range Wind because it will provide numerous benefits for the local and broader environment, including water consumption savings and carbon dioxide emissions reductions.
- I support Dakota Range Wind because its developer, Apex Clean Energy, is responsible and honest.

Sincerely,

Kevin Ammann

Signature

Kevin Ammann

Printed Name

1-12-18

Date

[Redacted]

Address

[Redacted]

Phone Number

Additional Comments:

I am a land owner and in favor of this project.

RECEIVED

MAR 23 2018

**SOUTH DAKOTA PUBLIC
UTILITIES COMMISSION**

001555

To Whom It May Concern,

As a community member, I am writing to you to express my support for the nearby Dakota Range Wind, an Apex Clean Energy wind project located in Codington and Grant counties, South Dakota.

- I support Dakota Range Wind because it will provide economic benefits to the local economy, tax base, schools, residents, towns, and counties.
- I support Dakota Range Wind because it will provide numerous benefits for the local and broader environment, including water consumption savings and carbon dioxide emissions reductions.
- I support Dakota Range Wind because its developer, Apex Clean Energy, is responsible and honest.

Sincerely,

Additional Comments:

Elaine German

Signature

ELAINE GERMAN

Printed Name

1-13-18

Date

W Millbank

Address

[REDACTED]
Phone Number

I am in support
of the wind
industry.

RECEIVED

MAR 23 2018

**SOUTH DAKOTA PUBLIC
UTILITIES COMMISSION**

001556

To Whom It May Concern,

As a community member, I am writing to you to express my support for the nearby Dakota Range Wind, an Apex Clean Energy wind project located in Codington and Grant counties, South Dakota.

- I support Dakota Range Wind because it will provide economic benefits to the local economy, tax base, schools, residents, towns, and counties.
- I support Dakota Range Wind because it will provide numerous benefits for the local and broader environment, including water consumption savings and carbon dioxide emissions reductions.
- I support Dakota Range Wind because its developer, Apex Clean Energy, is responsible and honest.

Sincerely,

Additional Comments:

Leon L. Gapp

Signature

*I had sign for this project
it stated.*

LEON L. GAPP

Printed Name

1-13-18

Date

MARVIN, S.D. 57251

Address

Phone Number

RECEIVED

MAR 23 2018

**SOUTH DAKOTA PUBLIC
UTILITIES COMMISSION**

001557

To Whom It May Concern,

As a community member, I am writing to you to express my support for the nearby Dakota Range Wind, an Apex Clean Energy wind project located in Codington and Grant counties, South Dakota.

- I support Dakota Range Wind because it will provide economic benefits to the local economy, tax base, schools, residents, towns, and counties.
- I support Dakota Range Wind because it will provide numerous benefits for the local and broader environment, including water consumption savings and carbon dioxide emissions reductions.
- I support Dakota Range Wind because its developer, Apex Clean Energy, is responsible and honest.

Sincerely,

Len Johnson
Signature

Len Johnson
Printed Name

3/20/18
Date

[Redacted]
Address

[Redacted]
Address

[Redacted]
Phone Number

Additional Comments:

Wind is a great source of renewable energy and creates jobs, making it also great for the economy. The pros heavily outweigh the cons, which in my opinion are

Waterbury, SD 57201

at their expense, minor inconveniences

RECEIVED

MAR 23 2018

SOUTH DAKOTA PUBLIC

001558

To Whom It May Concern,

As a community member, I am writing to you to express my support for the nearl Clean Energy wind project located in Codington and Grant counties, South Dake

- I support Dakota Range Wind because it will provide economic benefits to tl schools, residents, towns, and counties.
- I support Dakota Range Wind because it will provide numerous benefits for environment, including water consumption savings and carbon dioxide emi
- I support Dakota Range Wind because its developer, Apex Clean Energy, is responsible and honest.

RECEIVED

MAR 23 2018

SOUTH DAKOTA PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION

Sincerely,

Signature

BRUCE ANTIJUNT I

Printed Name

3-20-2018

Date

Additional Comments:

WIND ENERGY WILL
 PROVIDE CLEAN RENEWABLE
 ENERGY + EMPLOYMENT
 FOR LAKE AREA GRADUATES
 NO POLLUTION, NO BYPRODUCT
 NEVER ENDING. GREAT
 REVENUE FOR
 LANDOWNERS
 57201 WITH MINIMAL
 FOOT PRINT

Address

Phone Number

001559

From: [REDACTED]
Sent: Friday, 23 March 2018 14:13:28 (UTC-06:00) Central Time (US & Canada)
To: PUC Consumer Info
Subject: [EXT] EL 18-003

3/23/2018

Dear P.U.C.,

My name is Daniel Kaaz, and my wife & I reside in Codington County, near South Shore. We live on 15 acres of land and will be greatly impacted by the Dakota Range Wind Farm (EL 18-003). I am asking you to deny the application, for numerous reasons.

It puts myself & my families safety in jeprody. The manufacture's of the towers suggest farther setback's to their employees than the county is proposing us to live. If a turbine experiences ice throw or brake failure & spins out of control, someone in your county will be injured or dead. I suspect you don't want that on your hands.

It will destroy my property value. Most studies show a 20-60% decrease in property value among homes within the turbine footprint. Also the noise & flicker causes people to abandon homes. I've lived here all my life, I don't think it's right for a company to come in & destroy it.

Wildlife suffer. Yesterday my neighbor photographed a bald eagle in his trees. When turbines come in-wildlife leaves. Not only do they kill bird/bats, the atomopheric pressure caused by turbines causes health effects in humans and animals, as well as disturbed sleep patterns.

Health, Safety, and well being-that's what you are supposed to protect. However, there is one more aspect I should touch on as to why you need to deny this application.


This "green energy" isn't green. The mining and processing of these metals has horrific environmental consequences that are unacknowledged and ignored by the wind industry and its environmental surrogates. For instance, just the rare earths of a typical 100 MW wind project would generate approximately:

20,000 square meters of destroyed vegetation,
2 million pounds of CO2,
6 million cubic meters of toxic air pollution,
29 million gallons of poisoned water,
600 million pounds of highly contaminated tailing sands, and
280,000 pounds of radioactive waste.

Not very "green" by my standards. And then let's take a look at Apex Wind energy. One dosen't have to look very far to find some interesting Facts. For instance, On 12/19/2014 Apex failed to pay Ambassador Steel Fabrication, LLS from Auburn, Indiana for work completed at the Hoopeston wind farm. The failure of APEX to make their payments in a timely manner is now causing issues for farmers and other land owners who leased their properties for the project, forcing Ambassador Steel Fabrication to put liens on the property Apex leased. Is this fair for the landowner who leased his land is good faith? The lein is in the amout of 1.4 million dollars. If they can't pay their contractors how are they going to provide this "windfall" for South Dakota in the first place?

For these reasons & more I strongly urge you to DECLINE this application.

Sincerely,
Daniel Kaaz


South Shore, SD 57263