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Dear Public Utilities Commission,

Campbell County has been experiencing the benefits of wind development since 2015, and the Campbell County Economic Development Corporation supports the continued development of wind energy in South Dakota. The Campbell County Wind Farm is a 95 MW facility consisting of 55 1.7 MW turbines.

Personally, I have lived in various regions throughout the United States. Each region usually makes the best use of their sustainable natural resources. South Dakota has an opportunity to wisely use wind as a sustainable natural resource and profit from it. We hope the commission recognizes the significant impact wind facilities have on local economies and on South Dakota's future and will vote to approve the permit for Dakota Range Wind.

Each year our county sees over \$250,000 in tax revenue from the project. Considering our population is less than 1,5000 people, this has provided huge financial assistance in maintaining and improving our infrastructure.

During the development and construction of the project, Campbell County businesses hosted hundreds of construction workers, developers, and engineers. Construction alone required over 100 workers that lived, ate, worshipped and shopped in our area for nine months. This economic boost was felt by many local businesses and churches.

We hope the Public Utilities Commission recognizes the huge, positive impacts wind facilities have had on our communities and can continue to have on the future of South Dakota. We encourage the Commission to acknowledge the opportunities projects like Dakota Range Wind provide for rural communities like ours by approving the permit for Dakota Range Wind.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely.

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Campbell County Economic Development Coordinator

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Public Utilities Commission 500 E. Capital Ave. Pierre, SD, 57501

Dear Sirs:

I am writing in support of Dakota Range Wind Development in NE South Dakota. My name is Leonard Stengel, and I have been a life-long, resident in Milbank, SD, and a businessman and farmer in Grant County for the past 60 years. Our land in Mazepa Township is currently under contract with Dakota Wind and we are anxious for the project to move forward. We have had no problems with our agreement or lease payments and appreciate the ongoing communication and relationship we have with them.

Again, we encourage you to vote favorably on the Dakota Range Energy Project.

Sincerely,

Leonard Stengel

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