

**BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION  
OF THE STATE OF SOUTH DAKOTA**

**IN THE MATTER OF THE COMPLAINT ) RESPONSE TO CHRISTENSON  
FILED BY AMBER CHRISTENSON, ) RESPONSE AND OPPOSITION  
LINDA LINDGREN AND TIMOTHY ) TO CROWNED RIDGE WIND,  
LINDGREN AGAINST CROWNED ) LLC'S DRAFT PROTECTIVE  
RIDGE WIND, LLC REGARDING ) ORDER  
PROJECT SOUND LEVEL COMPLIANCE) CE22-001**

On April 24, 2023, Complainant Christenson filed an objection to Crowned Ridge Wind, LLC's ("CRW") request for a protective order to be issued in Docket No. CE22-001. CRW requests a protective order, consistent with the Commission's issuance of such an order in other dockets, in the event discovery requests seek confidential information. There is no current dispute with the discovery, as the one attachment on maintenance records that CRW initially considered confidential was produced as public. While the first set of Complainant Christenson's data requests did not implicate confidential information as it sought maintenance on one wind turbine, CRW merely seeks to have a protective order implemented to ensure that if a discovery request does implicate information that CRW deems is confidential, that it has the means to produce that information to Complainants under a protective order. As the protective order indicates, it does not impact Complainants' right to challenge the identification of information as confidential. A protective order and execution of nondisclosure agreement assists CRW's ability to produce information that is deemed confidential on a timely basis, subject to challenges, which helps ensure the procedural schedule is not impacted by discovery disputes over confidentiality. Therefore, CRW requests that the Commission issue a protective order in this proceeding.

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