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South Dakota Public Utilities Commission  
500 E. Capital  
Pierre, SD 57501

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Re: In the Matter of the Application by Buffalo Ridge II LLC, a Subsidiary of Iberdrola Renewables, Inc. for an Energy Conversion Facility permit for the construction of the Buffalo Ridge II Wind Farm and Associated Collection Substation and electric interconnection system. EL08-031.

Dear Commissioners:

Brookings County would like to go on record showing support for a positive ruling from the South Dakota Public Utilities Commission (SD PUC) on Docket EL08-031.

The Brookings County Planning Commission approved a Conditional Use Permit 2009cu001 on January 6, 2009 for this project.

As a unified body this commission supports the utilization of local resources when they are available and we believe in Wind Energy as a viable player in this area.

Please contact Stephanie Vogel at 605-696-8205 if you have any questions pertaining to this letter.

Sincerely,

Donald Larson  
Chairperson