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Pamela Petrak, Auditor  
Brule County  
300 South Courtland Street  
Chamberlain, SD 57325

**SOUTH DAKOTA PUBLIC  
UTILITIES COMMISSION**

Dear Ms. Petrak:

On December 30, 2009, PrairieWinds SD1, Inc. (PrairieWinds), a wholly owned subsidiary of Basin Electric Power Cooperative, filed an application with the Public Utilities Commission (Commission) for a facility permit for the construction of the PrairieWinds SD1 Project (Project). PrairieWinds proposes to construct, own, and operate a 151.5 megawatt (MW) wind energy facility to be located near Crow Lake, in Aurora, Brule, and Jerauld counties South Dakota. The Project is proposed to include approximately 101 1.5 MW wind turbines and associated access roads, underground collector lines, a collector substation, an O&M building, and approximately 13 miles of 230 kilovolt (kV) transmission line.

South Dakota Codified Law 49-41B-15(5) requires a copy of the application to be filed with the auditor of the county or counties in which the proposed facility will be constructed. As such, I have enclosed a copy of the complete application. If you should have any questions, comments, or concerns regarding this letter or the attached application, please contact me at 701.557.5495 or at [ksolie@bepc.com](mailto:ksolie@bepc.com).

Sincerely,

Kevin L. Solie  
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Enclosure

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Cindy Peterson, Auditor  
Jerauld County  
PO Box 422  
Wessington Springs, SD 57382

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Dear Ms. Peterson:

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Susan Urban, Auditor  
Aurora County  
PO Box 397  
Plankinton, SD 57368

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