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Subject: [EXT] Docket: E1 18-026 (Permit for Wind Turbines Wagner, SD)

It has come to my attention that the public utility commission is considering an expansion of wind turbine construction and operation in Charles Mix County in and around Wagner, SD. I am a resident of Louisville, KY and an annual visitor and hunter to the area affected by the issuance of such a permit.

I, and our group of eight other hunters, have hunted with [REDACTED] (Owner) each of the last 15 years. We stay at his lodge, and visit all of your local restaurants and stores. Our group, and several other groups, are Jerome's and his families' primary source of income.

Further expansion of this wind power will create a substantial economic loss to the local economy and [REDACTED] family. The expansion of this power will take substantial pheasant habitat out of circulation, and will further damage the local bird population. This permit expansion will end our annual trips to South Dakota, and bring about great hardship to the [REDACTED] family.

I urge the Public Utility Commission to decline the permits for the expansion of wind turbines, and preserve the habitat and culture of your beautiful state and of Charles Mix County. Thank you for your consideration.

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