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To South Dakota Public Utilities Commission:

I am writing to comment about the construction of additional wind turbines in the Wagner-Avon, South Dakota area.

Over the last dozen years I have traveled from West Virginia to Wagner to hunt pheasants for a week or longer each year. Our group includes 8 to 10 hunters and includes hunters from Tennessee and Florida and six to eight bird dogs.

We have used the services of Jerome Powers as our South Dakota guide. Mr. Powers has grown his guide business over the years and has built a comfortable lodge to house visiting hunters. In addition, we patronize local restaurants, grocery and hardware stores, pumping thousands of dollars into the local economy.

The wind turbines are noisy and an eyesore and decrease and harm the habitat for pheasant and other wild game. South Dakota advertises itself as a pheasant hunting destination. According to the South Dakota Fish and Game website, pheasant hunting brought in \$280 million in revenue in 2017. Charles Mix County alone generated \$7 million. This is a gift that keeps on giving year after year. It will be negatively affected by the continued installation of wind turbines.

Thank you for your consideration in this matter.

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