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Brittany Kenyon, Vice President
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Dear Vice President Kenyon,

Thank you for sharing your view of the Deuel Harvest siting permit request, docket EL18-053, currently before the South Dakota Public Utilities Commission.

You relayed how if approved, this project will bring opportunity to farmers and bring revenue for the county and townships in the area. My fellow commissioners and I take several factors into account when considering whether or not to grant a wind siting permit. The primary duty of the commission is to ensure the location, construction, and operation of the facilities will produce minimal adverse effects to the health, safety, and welfare of the environment and citizens. The standards we must follow are defined in South Dakota Codified Laws and Administrative Rules.

I encourage you to follow this docket as new information is added and it is reviewed. You will find the docket online by going to PUC.SD.gov and clicking on Commission Actions, Commission Dockets, Electric Dockets, 2018 Electric Dockets and scrolling down to EL18-053. Your letter and my response will be posted under Comments and Responses in the docket so my fellow commissioners and other interested individuals can access them.

The enclosed Siting Guide explains the commission's processing of siting dockets such as this.

Sincerely,

Gary Hanson