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TO THE COMMISSIONERS REVIEWING THE APPLICATION OF DEUEL HARVEST WIND ENERGY, LLC

REFERENCE: DOCKET EL 18-053, THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION OF DEUEL HARVEST WIND ENERGY, LLC (The Project).

**I AM OBJECTING TO THE PROPOSED WIND ENERGY FACILITIES PLANNED TO BE LOCATED IN DEUEL COUNTY, SOUTH DAKOTA. MORESO, I AM OBJECTING TO AND COMPLAINING OF THE PROPOSED SEVEN WIND GENERATORS TO BE LOCATED APPROXIMATELY ONE-HALF MILE NORTH OF MY FARM.**

This house is lived in year around by me and my family.

I live and own ( along with my brother and sisters )the farmland and buildings located on the north and northeast shores of Lake Alice in Deuel County, South Dakota (legal description: Altamont Township, Gov. Lots 2,3,4,5,6,7, and SE ¼ NE ¼ Less OL1 Gov. Lot 4). This farm has been farmed since it was purchased by my family in 1939 and the house is still continuously occupied. All the buildings are used and will be used for the foreseeable future.

The noise level estimated to be emanating from the wind farm, will provide an **unacceptable** level of sound at our home. The 45 dba noise curve on the drawings provided is located approximately 100 yards from our home. That is **FAR TOO CLOSE**. The wind from the north is usually very strong and the generators will be operating at maximum speed or close to it most of the time. The wind from the north will also carry the sound of the generators toward the house and the 45 dba curve will extend down to the house where the noise level will be very hard to live with. It is always windy at the shores of the lake and most of the time the wind blows from the north! Even with a gentle breeze and a low operating speed of the generators, the sound will always reach the house and be a constant irritant at a level that is **totally unacceptable!**

The different species of birds, especially flocks of ducks, geese, cranes, pelicans, seagulls and blackbirds fly north and south over the farm and the house. The location of the proposed seven generators is directly in their flight path!!! Many species also spend the summers in our area and they also come and go in flight paths that are directly obstructed by the proposed seven generators!

The landscape of the area within Deuel County **should not be disfigured** by the towers, power lines and other facilities of the proposed wind farm. It should remain in its current native state. Other utility operators have respected the

pristine environment of our area, even going so far as to bury the power lines to the rural farms to preserve the landscape.

I was born in this house, the very bedroom I now sleep in and for 70 yrs. I have been able to walk outside and enjoy the beautiful native scenery from my porch. The thought of the wind generators being there and having to look at them for the rest of my life is **HORRIBLE, SICKENING AND JUST PLAIN DISGUSTING**. I would **GREATLY** appreciate your careful consideration of the factors I have set forth above. In the event The Project is approved, please make the approval subject to the elimination of the seven generators located at the north of our property.

Sincerely,

Barbara J. McCarty



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