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**Sent:** Friday, March 29, 2019 3:07 PM **To:** 'shkid@itctel.com' <shkid@itctel.com>

Subject: EL18-053

President Evenson and Deuel County Ag Development Members,

Thank you for your letter representing Deuel County Ag Development's members regarding the Deuel Harvest siting permit request pending before the South Dakota Public Utilities Commission.

I appreciate the economic impact that a project of this scope may provide to your area, with revenue through new jobs, landowner payments, increased taxes and local spending. My fellow commissioners and I consider several factors based on definitions, standards and references specified in South Dakota Codified Laws and Administrative Rules when reviewing a siting docket.

Views shared by project area residents will be considered as we work through the review. I encourage you to follow along as this docket, <a href="http://puc.sd.gov/Dockets/Electric/2018/EL18-053.aspx">http://puc.sd.gov/Dockets/Electric/2018/EL18-053.aspx</a>, is processed and new information is received. Your message and my response will be posted under Comments and Responses in the docket so my fellow commissioners and other interested individuals have access to them.

This two-page Siting Guide helps explain the commission's processing of siting dockets such as this, <a href="http://puc.sd.gov/commission/dockets/electric/2018/el18-053/el18-053sitinghandout.pdf">http://puc.sd.gov/commission/dockets/electric/2018/el18-053/el18-053sitinghandout.pdf</a>.

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