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Mr. Evenson,

Thank you for your letter on behalf of Gunderson and Evenson, LLP about the Deuel Harvest siting permit request before the South Dakota Public Utilities Commission.

You relayed the importance of this project to the local ag community. My fellow commissioners and I take several factors into account when considering whether or not to grant a wind siting permit. The commission's primary duty is the health, safety, and welfare of citizens and to ensure the location, construction and operation of the facilities will produce minimal adverse effects on the environment. The standards we follow are defined in South Dakota Codified Laws and Administrative Rules.

I encourage you to follow along as this docket is processed, <http://puc.sd.gov/Dockets/Electric/2018/EL18-053.aspx>. Your message and my response will be posted under Comments and Responses in the docket so my fellow commissioners and other interested individuals can access them.

This Siting Guide explains the commission's processing of siting dockets such as this, <http://puc.sd.gov/commission/dockets/electric/2018/el18-053/el18-053sitinghandout.pdf>.

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