

January 25, 2019

Docket #EL18-053 In the Matter of the Application by Deuel Harvest Wind Energy LLC for Energy Facility Permits for a Wind Energy Facility and a 345-kV Transmission Line in Deuel County, South Dakota for the Deuel Harvest North Wind Farm

Pamela and John Lynde

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SOUTH DAKOTA PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION

We are property owners in Deuel County that will be affected by the construction of the proposed north wind farm by Invenergy. We own [Redacted]. We have a nice home that we purchased about 20 years ago on that property. We are located about ¾ of a mile north of the corner of US Highways 212 and SD 15. We are non-participating landowners that will have two towers, one to the north and one to the west of our home and within a half mile of our residence. The proposal also contains numerous towers to the south of our property. We are very concerned about shadow flicker, blinking red lights and noise that will be produced by the towers. We feel very strongly that Invenergy should be required to use the latest technology and employ an Aircraft Detection Lighting System (ADLS) so the blinking red lights would only come on when aviation is in the area.

We also want to know who will be monitoring the shadow flicker requirement of 30 hours annually and the noise level that shall not exceed 45dBA average A-Weighted Sound pressure at the perimeter of existing residences and if they do exceed those levels what are the consequences. If we have problems who do we call, the local Zoning Office or the company (Invenergy) that constructed the project or the company that will eventually own the project? Who will be responsible to pay for the additional testing if problems arise landowner or project owner? We also have a question on the distance the towers should be from the owners residence, who will do the measuring or surveying to make sure they are in compliance? There are numerous questions and variables with this project.

I was born and raised in Deuel County and have worked for the County for 24 years. My children were raised and educated in Deuel County. I have always enjoyed driving home from work and taking in the countryside with its serene and beautiful landscape. That will no longer be the case. The huge white towers will now permanently replace that landscape.

Thank you for your time and consideration of our comments and concerns.

Sincerely, 
Pam and John Lynde