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My main concern is the placement of wind turbines 48 and 55: the proximity of these turbines to my property lines. I request there be at least 1/2 mile setback from the turbine to my property line.

My intent was not to cause financial detriment to the 2 neighbors on whose land the turbines may be placed. My request is in planning for the future use of this land: should there be a desire for a home to be built on either properties, there would be no issues.

My second concern is the proximity of the turbines to cattle that graze on the land at different times of the year. The potential harm to cattle is anecdotal at this time (decreased production in herds related to miscarriage, deformities, weight loss) . Nevertheless it does exist. I would like the potential for damage as far removed as possible.

My third concern is the wind farm in general: is there potential for contamination of underground water supply for cattle. These creeks, above and below ground supply the cattle dams with water during the grazing season. Will the presence of 71 turbines with bases of 64 tons each of concrete per tower (27 of which are in direct line of these properties) contaminate this vital resource for ranchers? Can Scout energy guarantee there will not be any contamination directly related to the concrete bases? Will there be tests done on water levels prior to each turbines' construction, considering the rise in the water table during this last year? Is there potential for ground water/soil contamination from leakage of oil from the turbines?

My fourth concern is the potential for prairie fires being started from turbines Do the G.E. turbines you plan to use have an automatic suppression feature?