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To members of the PUC:

As a real estate appraiser in northeast South Dakota, I am convinced that wind towers negatively impact the property values particularly of rural residential acreages. I realize that government, with the help of the wind industry, has stacked the deck against the average South Dakotan and that the “little guy’s” opinion doesn’t matter. These are not wind farms, these are industrial power plants being dropped in the middle of our rural country. The one landowner who owns the 1.5 acre site where a wind tower is located will benefit while anyone with a residence close to a tower loses. You all are in a tough position but please, wherever possible, give the benefit of the doubt to the average resident over the wind industry.

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