

May 21, 2020

Ms. Patricia Van Gerpen
Executive Director
South Dakota Public Utilities Commission
500 E. Capitol Ave.
Pierre, SD 57501

Dear Ms. Van Gerpen,

I inadvertently sent the prior draft of my cover message. Please therefore accept this as my submission to commission along with the attached complaint and Certificate of Service:

Attached with this letter is a copy of the complaint I lodged with the CRW liaison, Brian Riniker, earlier today, May 21, 2020.

While I've been made aware of what the Commission would hope to view as the role of the liaison officer – and I appreciate Brian's time on this matter – nevertheless, in my view as a resident in the adversely affected and/or neglected area in and around this problematic wind project, I submit that it's imperative that the Commission be made fully aware that the proposed and long-pending ADLS lighting of and for Crowned Ridge 1 is still - despite false assurances to the contrary - not operational as required by state law. As noted within the complaint(s) made to date, the incessant and annoying flashing red lights with absolutely zero-relationship to incoming or outgoing air traffic and, then, at an apparently pre-programmed time providing for (merely) a 5-6 minute respite from the unacceptable flashing red lights cannot, in any way, shape or form, reasonably be found to rise anywhere close to the accepted level of ADLS-approved operational lighting for this project. I'm aware that there was a previous/minimal-level administrative fine levied as a result of the Applicant's post-permit non-compliance – so, on behalf of myself and other adversely affected residents in this area, what can/will the Commission do now in light of the ongoing violation(s)?

Please note this issue also crosses over to the supplemental docket EL 20-002.

Thank you.

Sincerely,

/s/Amber Christenson

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