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SUBJECT: Docket EL20-002

Dear Commissioners Hanson, Fiegen, and Nelson –

In early December of 2017, our company announced it would be closing its doors by February 2018. Our 409 employees were left wondering how they were going to feed their families or keep a roof over their heads. Then, later that same month, NextEra Energy put in an order for wind turbines that would power Crowned Ridge Wind Farm. Because of that order, our company was able to keep its door open and even hire more people to fill that order. To this day, Molded Fiber Glass Companies remains a major employer within Aberdeen.

We are excited to hear about the proposal of Crowned Ridge Wind II that was placed in front of the South Dakota Public Utilities Commission. NextEra Energy has proven their support of small businesses and local communities as we have benefitted the most from the original wind farm. Crowned Ridge II would provide yet another opportunity for our communities to keep people at work and provide new jobs to our neighbors.

I respectfully ask that you approve Crowned Ridge Wind II, as your approval of the Crowned Ridge wind farm kept our business and community thriving.

Sincerely,

Dave

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