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Philip, SD 57567

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Dear SD PUC Commissioners:

I have been a landowner and a resident in Haakon County for over 45 years. Our ranch is located in the northwestern corner of Haakon County. Here we raise cattle, horses, wheat, corn, alfalfa, and grass hay. This land has been in our family for 4 and 5 generations. Our southern pasture is less than 7 miles from the northern end of the Philip Wind Partners project in Haakon County.

I attended the public meeting in Philip on October 2, 2025. I am opposed to this project, and my concerns are:

1. The damage done to the soil, above ground and underground, by the installation and construction of the towers. Then the damage done by the shedding of toxic particles from the towers and the blades after installation.
2. The contamination of the underground aquifers, lakes, lakebeds, streams, and rivers.
3. The harmful effects including the yet unknown effects on all of our wildlife: birds, mammals, fish, and the domestic animals and people.
4. How will this impact our land values now, and years from now?

I also felt there were several unanswered questions at the meeting:

1. If this project has been ongoing for the past 9 years, why doesn't the Philip Wind Partners have a buyer for their energy?
2. Why don't they know how large of towers they will be installing?
3. Why don't they disclose how many towers they will be installing?

Also, some of the participating landowners in this project do not actually reside near the project, some do not reside in Haakon County or even in South Dakota. They will not have to tolerate the unsightly massive towers or the hideous blinking lights on a daily basis.

On November 5, 2024, Haakon County voted overwhelmingly for Donald J. Trump. In other words, the majority of the Haakon County voters approved President Trump's agenda.

Quoting President Trump on wind and solar power CNBC, August 20, 2025, "The days of stupidity are over in the USA!!!"

U.S. Energy Secretary Chris Wright August 27, 2025, on the Varney & Co. Show, "The wind doesn't always blow. When your child is born prematurely, and is placed in an incubator, the incubator has to run 24/7 no matter what. So, if the wind is blowing, well, you can say it is powered by wind power. Then, the wind stops or the wind gets weaker, something has to fill that gap and always be there. So, when you add wind and solar onto a grid, you don't remove the need for coal plants, nuclear plants, natural gas that work all the time. You end up having to maintain two grids: one for when the wind blows, when the sun shines, and one that makes sure everyone is alive and the systems work and you have a functioning society. So, to maintain two grids instead of one grid is always more expensive. Let's not pretend the environmental impacts of wind aren't huge. They are huge!"

I sincerely hope and pray that you, SD PUC Commissioners, will honor the majority of Haakon County voters by denying the permit to the Philip Wind Partners once and forever.

Thank you,

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