From: PUC

Sent: Thursday, September 4, 2025 4:31 PM

To: Heathmor

Subject: RE: [EXT] Docket EL25-029

Dear Mr. Morrison,

Thank you for sharing your concerns with the South Dakota Public Utilities Commission regarding Docket <u>EL25-029</u> - *In the Matter of the Application by Philip Wind Partners, LLC, for Energy Facility Permits for a Wind Energy Facility and a 230 kV Transmission Facility in Haakon County, South Dakota (Philip Wind Project)*, that was filed with the Commission on August 15, 2025.

We appreciate your engagement and understand the importance of the issues you've raised. Your message expressed your frustration with absentee landownership, land access issues, and the potential long-term impact of energy infrastructure projects. It may be helpful for you to understand the PUC's process in considering wind energy facility permit dockets as outlined in the PUC's **Energy Conversion & Electric Transmission Facilities Siting Guide**, available on our website and accessible through the online docket.

PUC staff will reach out to you regarding your concerns about landowner designations on the project's map.

You may be interested in attending the commission's <u>public input meeting</u> on this project, which will be held at **5:30 p.m. on October 2** at the **American Legion in Philip.** This meeting provides an opportunity for citizens like you to share comments directly with the Commission.

Your comment and this response will be posted in the online docket.

Gary Hanson, Chairman South Dakota Public Utilities Commission Puc.sd.gov