

From: PUC

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To: [REDACTED]

Subject: RE: [EXT] Docket EL25-029 / Philip Wind Partners

Mr. & Mrs. Martin:

Thank you for attending the public input meeting in Philip regarding the proposed Philip Wind Project. We appreciate your engagement and thoughtful participation in this important process.

The full docket for this project, [*EL25-029 - 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 \(Philip Wind Project\)*](#), was opened on August 15, 2025, and is available on the PUC's website.

You raised several concerns about the proposed wind energy facility, including setback distance, the overall facility footprint, potential impacts on weather patterns, avian and wildlife populations, and livestock. You also noted concerns about noise pollution, land values, and the use of rare earth minerals in wind energy facility components.

The Commission and PUC staff will carefully consider your comments as part of the comprehensive review and investigation of this docket. For your reference, the PUC's [**Energy Conversion & Electric Transmission Facilities Siting Guide**](#), available on our website and accessible through the online docket, provides a helpful overview of the permitting process for wind energy facilities in South Dakota.

We encourage you to continue following the docket as additional information is submitted and made available by the parties involved.

Your comments, along with this response, will be posted under “Comments and Responses” section of the public docket.

Gary Hanson, Chairman

South Dakota Public Utilities Commission

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