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North Dakota Public Service Commission
600 East Boulevard, Dept. 408
Bismarck, ND 58505-0480

Dear Commissioners;

My name is Stanley Haagenson. I was born and raised on a farm south of Rolette and have lived in the community a majority of my life. For a number of years I spent a lot of my time working and living in Nevada. During this time, I always made it a point to come home to look after the farm property and spend time with my friends in the community.

I have enjoyed good health and have been blessed with a long life. During my life time, I have seen many things happen in our community. Some things were good. Then, as one might expect some were not so good.

In bad times and good times our community always thrived. People worked hard to insure that they personally were self sufficient. They clearly understood that personal success was tied to the community's success. This approach helped make our town and community what it is today.

When the idea of developing a wind farm first surfaced a number of years ago, I thought it was an interesting suggestion. My first experience with the project happened when I was approached to host a wind testing device on my land. It was a device that looked more like an ATM machine [and had an annoying chirping sound] than some scientific device, but I guess it works.

A while later, I was asked if I would consider signing an easement agreement to allow the erection of a wind test tower [which I learned was referred to as a met tower] on my land. That was three years ago, and it still remains on my land collecting data as we speak.

In December, 2011 I became one of the company's first cash investors. I signed a landowners easement with the company May 15, 2013. I have a total of 460 acres under easement.

I feel one of the strengths of this project is the easement model the company has adopted. It is landowner friendly in many ways. Compensating all easement holders with an annual per acre easement payment has removed the an issue of haves [have facilities] and havenots [are in the

space, but have nothing]a matter that has been a sour issue with folks. We also like the fact that the company has made accomodations that help with road placements. We hear from others that this has been a real concern with many projects. Receiving shares in the a company as a compensation brings the landowners and cash investors in closer agreement.

This is a good project and is good for the area. I will not go into detail about this issue. I don't want to repeat what others have said.

Thank-you for listening to my comments. I am asking you to give serious consideration to the matter of granting the siting application.

Yours truly,

Stanley Haagenson 