

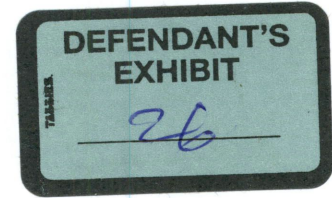


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September 27, 2016

North Dakota Public Service Commission
Julie Fedorchak – Chairman
Randy Christman – Commissioner
Brain Kalk – Commissioner
600 E. Boulevard, Department 408
Bismarck, ND 58505-0480

RE: Glacier Ridge Wind Farm

Dear Public Service Commission Members:

The purpose of this letter is to express Dacotah Bank’s support of the construction of the Glacier Ridge Wind Farm. The reasons for our organizations support of this project are as follows:

- Increased general economic benefit for the community in both construction and operational phases of the farm. The other wind farms in the area have provided short term jobs in the construction stage as well as well-paying long term jobs in the operation stage. These long term jobs have allowed core community families to remain in our area that otherwise may have left our community.
- Additional income to landowners. Again, with other wind farms in the area as an example, we have seen landowners benefit from additional income from wind farm rental income. With the recent downturn in agricultural economics, any additional income would be very welcome to area farmers and landowners.
- Additional tax income. The area’s schools and government entities would benefit greatly from the additional tax revenue of this project. With the challenges being face at the state level, any enhancement of local tax income would be very welcome.
- Clean Energy Development. Barnes County is an area of substantial wind energy resources. With the growing concerns with fossil fuel energy, this wind farm would be a long term investment in a clean energy source. It also would tap a largely unused resource in this area.
- Solutions to Challenges from other wind farms. The organizers of this project listened to concerns and challenges that occurred with other wind farms in the area. They are addressing concerns of neighboring property owners to the planning stage and developing what appears to be a very favorable compensation package to these neighbors.



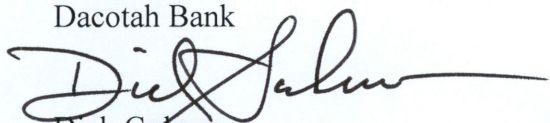
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Exhibit 26 – Letter from Dacotah Bank

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We at Dacotah Bank have been very impressed by the professionalism displayed by the member of Glacier Ridge Wind Farm. We believe that this wind farm would be a great addition to the Barnes County Community and the State of North Dakota. If you have any questions in regard to this matter, feel free to call me at 701-845-2712.

Sincerely,
Dacotah Bank

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Dick Gulmon", with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

Dick Gulmon
Market President