
From: Theresa Lichty <bluemoon56@att.net>
Sent: Tuesday, June 18, 2019 8:11 AM
To: Edwards, Kristen <Kristen.Edwards@state.sd.us>
Cc: Hanson, Mikal <Mikal.Hanson@state.sd.us>
Subject: Fwd: [EXT] Data requests

Consider this my prefled testimony

Sent from my iPhone

Begin forwarded message:

From: Theresa Lichty <bluemoon56@att.net>
Date: June 17, 2019 at 5:54:36 PM CDT
To: JonThurber <Jon.Thurber@state.sd.us>
Subject: RE: Data requests
Reply-To: Theresa Lichty <bluemoon56@att.net>

Jon: I met with PUC and Sweetland on June 4 in Miller. I addressed 4 concerns: Placement of wind turbines 48 and 55 in proximity to my land. They provided me with a map which measured distances from the height of the tower to the edge of my property, however, the blades go much higher. (Kristen has a copy). Tower 48 was 2165 feet from property line, Tower 55 was 1380 feet. Mollie clarified that distance was" as the crow flies" not ground distance : Tower 55 has very rugged terrain between my property line and the tower.. My concern is for future planning in case a home might be built there in the future. According to the PUC, one of the applicant responsibilities is to not pose a threat of serious injury to the environment nor to the social or economic conditions of inhabitants OR expected inhabitants in the siting area. I was told by Sweetland they cannot place the tower anywhere else on the landowners property

(Tower 55). I am looking out for my future generations and land legacy. Also (referring to Mark W.) testimony before the PUC, Sweetland reserves the right to be able to move the tower 250 feet without notifying you(Page 12 lines 312-215). That could place tower 55 much closer to my land. My goal is to avoid future potential problems related to sound, flicker, ice throw, by having a half mile setback with Tower 55. I asked for and was sent the Latitude and Longitude coordinates, to get a visual as to where 55 would be placed. I also noted in Mark.W. testimony that there are 2 different sizes of towers potentially to be used. Mollie, the Sweetland attorney, replied they would commit to the 89 M tower for 55. but that doesn't change the distance. My second concern was for the cattle that graze on both properties at different times of the year. The evidence of harm is mostly anecdotal, but reports do exist.Sweetland has made provisions for participating landowners , but no mention of adjacent landowners.I did ask at the meeting for some kind of protection for the cattle on my land. That was not an option. My third concern was the potential for contamination or damage to the underground water supply and aquifers, due to the presence of 71 towers. I was referred to Brian Walsh of DENR. I believe Kristen was going to request a letter from him attesting to those concerns. Brian has sent me information which I forwarded to Kristen. I have also addressed the potential spills of oils an chemicals, which Brian sent me reports of. My fourth concern was the potential of prairie fires being started from a turbine. I requested there be turbines with automatic fire suppression features. GE does not make them anymore, per Mollie's research. However there is a company that makes that as an add on. There was a 1600 acre prairie fire in Wyoming at a wind farm. If the wind is blowing they can be devastating in a short time. I suggested they have a firetruck of some kind on site. Sweetland's testimony is that they will work with local authorities to make a plan.

I did not want to cause financial detriment to my neighbor, but having Tower 55 so close to my property is a detriment to my future generations. People can make more money other ways, but not more land. Thank you. Theresa Lichty

On Mon, 6/17/19, Thurber, Jon <Jon.Thurber@state.sd.us> wrote:

Subject: RE: Data requests

To: "Theresa Lichty" <bluemoon56@att.net>

Cc: "Edwards, Kristen" <Kristen.Edwards@state.sd.us>

Date: Monday, June 17, 2019, 4:48 PM

Theresa - Staff is mainly curious if you have sent any data requests to the Applicant, or received any data requests from the Applicant. If you have sent or received any, staffs ask for copies so we can follow along with the issues and avoid duplication of questions. No need to provide the emails.

Your response for witnesses and depositions are fine.

Jon

-----Original Message-----

From: Theresa Lichty <bluemoon56@att.net>

Sent: Monday, June 17, 2019 4:40 PM
To: Thurber, Jon <Jon.Thurber@state.sd.us>
Subject: [EXT] Data requests

Jon, I am the Intervenor is
EL19-012, In your request 1-1) when you refer to copies of
data requests, do you mean my emails to Kristen, Mollie
Smith, Brian Walsh, most of which I have forwarded to
Kristen already? I can forward all the emails to you if you
wish. I am having trouble figuring out some of your
requests. Currently, I have no intention of calling
witnesses or taking depositions, but would like to reserve
that right to do so, if needed, in the future. In reviewing
the data requests you have given the Applicants, those are
the very things I have concerns about. Theresa

On Fri, 6/14/19, Thurber, Jon <Jon.Thurber@state.sd.us>
wrote:

Subject: EL19-012
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Date: Friday, June 14, 2019, 11:22 AM

Attached please find

Commission Staff's 4th data request.

Jon Thurber
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Dakota PUC