

To: North Dakota State Legislature:

I am a "musher" from the Iron Range of Northern Minnesota. My friendship with Jim and Mary Ann Miller began in 1998, when Mary Ann and her son Mike, traveled to my dog sled kennel to adopt three of my retired dogs. Since then I have had the pleasure of visiting Jim and Mary Ann in all seasons of the year. After the last 2 visits I have seen a change in their environmental quality of life. The new wind turbines create a noisy, unsettled atmosphere

at their home. After walking outside around their property, I have noticed noise similar to an interstate highway loaded with traffic. They don't live near an interstate highway. The noise created by the turbines is constant and annoying. The visual disturbance is substantial. The "shadow flicker" and the constant motion of the turbines produces an unsettled feeling in me. There is an uneasy feeling within me about these large structures and their constant noise and motion so close to a home. The close proximity of these turbines has damaged the

"pristine" quality of the Miller's home and surrounding property. This once rural property has now been altered environmentally and visually. It now has the look and feel of an industrial property, not a beautiful rural piece of North Dakota. I had once considered buying property and retiring close to this area. I am dissappointed with the change and I am no longer considering retiring here.

Sincerely,

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To Whom It May Concern:

I would like to express my opposition to the Wind Tower project near the Sheyenne River valley. Our home is just west across the river from the towers, and it is unfortunate how the pristine beauty of the Sheyenne valley had to be compromised by these unsightly, noisy wind towers. It will never be the same again.

Even though we live about one mile from the nearest tower, we are affected by the annoying noise and night lights of the towers. My wife and I have always enjoyed the peace and beauty of our valley home location. But now, every time we wish to hike or photograph the natural beauty of the hills and woodland across from us, we have these unsightly wind towers as a backdrop.

I know it's too late to do anything about the tower project here, but hope our opposition can have some effect on future planning. Maybe we can help prevent others from having to deal with the many problems caused by these massive wind tower projects.

Another reason for our opposition is our having to see how a project like this has an affect on our rural neighborhood. It is sad to see how good neighbors can be brought to the point of fighting with each other; some in opposition to the towers and some landowners in favor. I don't see how the economic value of "going Green" is worth the turmoil and ruin of peoples lives. In fact, from what I hear I don't think wind generated electric power is at all efficient.

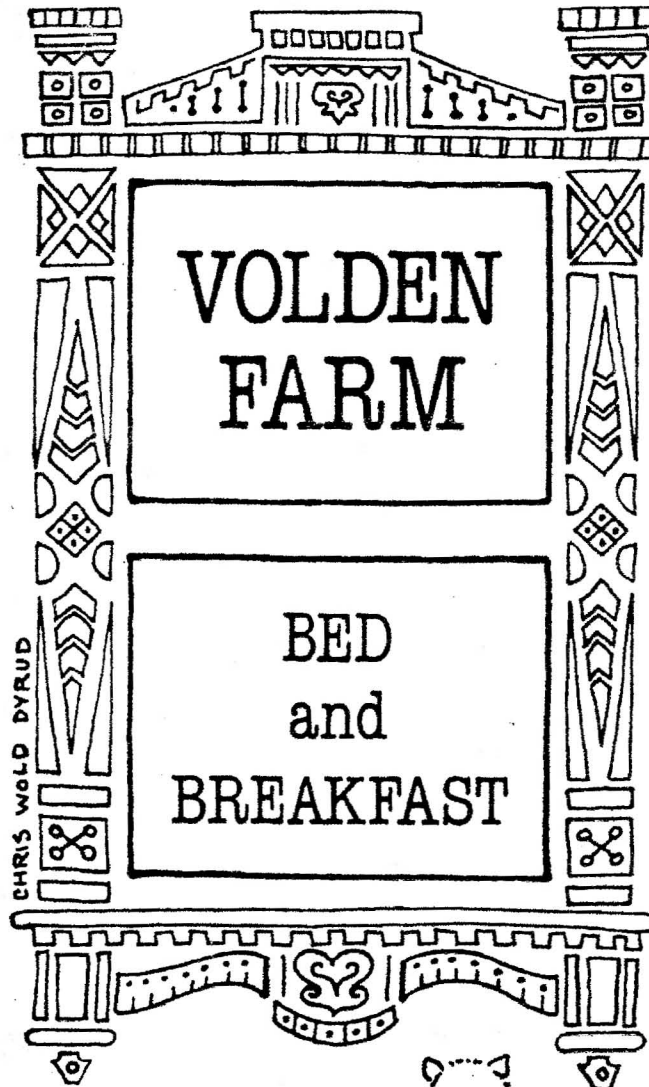
Again, I hope this letter can have some influence on future wind tower power project planning.

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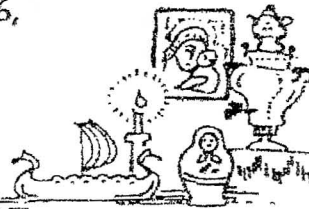


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**ON THE PRAIRIE**—We welcome you warmly to Volden Farm where you will find an unexpected old world atmosphere on the wide prairie of eastern North Dakota. After travelling with the Air Force and living in many places, we settled where we belong. And we love to meet people, read, garden, sing, talk, raise animals, and plant trees!

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2009 Now I'm contemplating a new invitation -

COME FIND YOURSELF IN AN INDUSTRIAL PARK .. where you will see sprouting for miles on the formerly natural prairie hills of the one and only Sheyenne River Valley, 112 white spires, or missiles, poised upward into the sky 360 feet - far above the prairie. THE LIVERNE WIND FARM

It is no longer quiet here, but there is a kind of Circus going on - red Christmas lights flashing nightly all year round, competing successfully with stars and constellations.

And when the sun comes up in the morning, we offer flashing spine tingling mysterious lighting created by our graceful 90 foot blades turning at 100 mph - again successfully competing with exquisite sunrises.

HAVE I MADE MY POINT?

Actually, I have only now finished hosting 3 months of hunters - and they are not impressed.

The flashing flickering morning lights confuse & look like the deer leaping from behind a tree. One hunter said that after he was sure his prey was dead, it seemed to still be alive, or moving. The table talk at every meal is the same. It has been year after year & is no longer.