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Dear Allen,

I regret that I missed the meeting on 8-6-08 here in Ellensburg, regarding the additional turbines at Puget Sound's Wild Horse facility. I strongly favor granting them approval to extend the project.

I am enclosing a letter I addressed to Bonneville Power Administration earlier this month. The letter expresses my feeling about wind farm siting in Kittitas County.

Thank you for the excellent work you have done with regard to these sitings.

Respectfully,



David Crane

Enclosure:

Kittitas Valley Wind Interconnection Project.

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To whom it may concern:

I make the following comments regarding Sagebrush's proposed "Kittitas Valley Wind Interconnection Project."

The approval process for them has been unnecessarily cumbersome and drawn out. They have been very professional and restrained throughout this tedious process and have shown amazing patience. I have attended most of the meetings and have heard and read the objections at length. Most, are without any factual basis, and some, are absolutely silly, almost beyond belief. Some who have so strongly objected to the Kittitas Valley siting, don't even live in this valley. Those who do live here and who have opposed the Kittitas Valley Wind Farm siting, represent only a very small minority of the residents in this valley, as I have learned from street petitioning and going door to door, probably more than any one else in the community. I think about eight out of ten, who live here, want the wind farms.

As a community, State, and Nation, we have an urgent need for clean, renewable energy sources. This valley has a good wind source. It would help our tax base, schools and services. We need more power for the expanding use of electric automobiles. Wind farms are currently our best option. To hinder their development in any way seems almost to be a sign of insanity. We have had abundant power for so long that is easy for some to begin to think it happens by magic.

As I have often said, those who opposed the wind farms are not bad people. They are sometimes our friends, neighbors and even relatives. They are simply very mistaken. Since people came to this valley, it is no longer pristine. We have railroads, highways, garbage trucks, traffic, high-rise buildings, power lines, and noisy rodeos, but it is wonderful, because it serves the needs of great people.

If there is anything we can do to streamline the process, and encourage these people to build the wind farms, we should be doing it. Of course, we should be careful for our environment and show respect to our neighbors in every way possible. I have high voltage power lines in my back yard, fifteen feet from my house, but I would not take them out. My neighbors need power, and I need power. I have lived without electric power. I didn't like it. Maybe we should step back and take a good look at what seems to be petty obstructionism.

A visit to the Wild Horse Wind Farm is a great experience. It has already bailed us out of a power outage, and is a great asset to an already good community.

Respectfully,



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