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Subject: [EXT] Bert and Amy Loehrers opinion about wind energy in Grant County

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Dear Krista Ateyo-Gortmaker,

There is no such think as safe nuclear of coal energy. With a combination of Natural Gas and Wind or Solar we have a chance at a lower carbon foot print. People are complaining about the aesthetics of wind towers. I look at them and think of the beauty of clean energy. I have a pasture at South South 2 miles from any residence and I cant have wind towers because it is surrounded by Federal waterfowl areas. My pasture doesnt have a federal wetland designation at all. I look north of my farm and there are 4 giant granite grout piles that rise high above the prairie and cover hundreds of acre. Everyday of my life I have heard the explosions to loosen the granite and I have not complained because it involves jobs and money for Grant County. They dwarf a hill that I treasure because it is the burial ground for pre columbian native tribes. The point is they will be there forever and nobody will take them down. They are an eyesore. I think the Wind towers have met setback requirements and the protest of them is about emotions that doesn't involve their own land. If they are trying to stop these projects they are trying to stop progress. I want wind towers on my land were nobody lives 2 miles north of South Shore and regulations won't let me. My neighbors there don't want them there. I have had to live up wind of the first CAFOs built in this area. It hasn't been pleasant but I have accepted them. I cooperated with them by letting them have manure access. I have benefited from that. Mostly they have been good neighbors.

Sincerely,  
Bert Loehrer