

# LETTER: Making a fast buck in the wind

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To the Editor:

When we received our electric bill this month, I called the Northwestern office in Sioux Falls to find out who is paying for the \$143 million wind farm north of Avon.

The answer was, all the customers of Northwestern Service.

There was no state mandate to build this farm but Northwestern was forced to buy the power after it was built. 1978 federal policy.

The investors made a fast buck at the expense of the customers of Northwestern Service.

Now Prevailing Winds is trying to get support for another wind farm so the 160 investors can make a fast buck at the expense of others.

The expect us to support another wind farm in an insult to the intelligence of the people in Avon and the surrounding community.

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