**Key Facts and Figures Regarding the Project**

- The Midwest has been called "the Saudi Arabia of wind power," and the northern Great Plains has enough wind resources to meet the entire energy demand of the United States several times over.
    - Source: (NREL, US Renewable Energy Technical Potentials: A GIS-Based Analysis – http://www.nrel.gov/docs/fy12osti/51946.pdf; EIA, Annual Energy Review 2011 – http://www.eia.gov/totalenergy/data/annual/pdf/aer.pdf )

- Together, the six participating Tribes cover 16% of the total land area of South Dakota, and have the capacity to develop as much as 58 Gigawatts of power while producing zero emissions.]
    - Source: (NREL, US Renewable Energy Technical Potentials: A GIS-Based Analysis – http://www.nrel.gov/docs/fy12osti/51946.pdf ; http://www.bia.gov/WhoWeAre/RegionalOffices/GreatPlains/WeAre/Agencies/SouthDakota/index.htm )

- By producing at least 1-2 Gigawatts, the Project would more than double the installed wind-power capacity in South Dakota (currently only 784 megawatts) and add 2-3% to the total amount of wind-power generated in the United States.
    - Source: (http://www.windpoweringamerica.gov/wind_installed_capacity.asp )

- Currently, electricity costs are a greater burden for residents of Tribal lands.
    - Source: (ftp://ftp.eia.doe.gov/service/neaf0001.pdf)

- This Project completely changes the model for developing wind power in the U.S. Previously, large wind projects were funded by private equity – this means that it is expensive money (equity investors require double-digit returns), and it means that the project is owned by the investors. But our Project will use bond financing – bond rates are at historic lows, and are the most cost-effective type of funding currently available. More importantly, because the multi-Tribal power authority will be issuing the bonds, the Tribes will own the Project and will realize the full benefit of the sales of power to customers beyond their communities.

- We believe the project be a "first" in many respects:
    - the first time multiple Tribes have cooperated in an economic development project of this size and scope;
    - the first new joint municipal power authority formed in the U.S. in decades.