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Minerals, Mining, and Superfund Program DANR 523 East Capitol Avenue Pierre, South Dakota 57501-3182

To whom it may concern:

Greetings. The Fall River County Commissioners were approached at their October 2, 2025 meeting asking for support to change the venue regarding the Chord uranium project proposed by Clean Nuclear Energy Corporation ("CNEC"), a subsidiary of Basin Uranium. It is near the rim of the area known as Craven Canyon, which is located near Edgemont, SD. Fall River County Commission motioned to support a location change from Pierre, SD to Hot Springs, SD. Craven Canyon is in Fall River County and the Board feels that any DANR (minerals, mining & super fund) would allow for participation by intervenors and the local public.

As you may be aware, the Oglala Sioux Tribe has recently petitioned to intervene in the Chord proposal, and as such we respectfully requested of the Board that you make a change of venue for the intervenor public hearing to Pine Ridge, Rapid City, or Hot Springs. Given the proposed location of the project in the Black Hills, we believe a venue in western South Dakota would best serve all involved in the matter and create the most equitable circumstance for Tribes and the general public.

Thank you for your time and consideration in this matter. We appreciate the your attention to this matter.

Respectfully submitted,

Joe Falkenburg, Chairman

Fall River County Commission

Deb Russell, Vice Chair

Fall River County Commission

Joe Allen, Commissioner

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Sandra Wahlert, Commissioner