Tracy Smith
31744 471st Ave
Burbank, SD 57010

DENR
Joe Foss Building
523 East Capitol
Pierre, South Dakota 57501-3182

RECEIVED
SEP 29 2008
AIR QUALITY
PROGRAM

September 24, 2008

Re: Proposed Draft Air Permit
Hyperion Energy Center
Union County, South Dakota

Gentlemen:

I have reviewed the Draft Air Permit and have many questions about it. I do not have the ability to determine from what you have written the total yearly limits of the contaminants in terms that I can understand. Can you please prepare a simplified table of such and publish so that the public can better understand?

It does not appear that the best possible monitoring and reporting has been required, and we request that the permit be modified to require such. Furthermore, I don't understand why some of the emissions appear to be permitted at higher levels that the petitioner requested.

I think it would be in everyone's best interest to have several public meetings and/or hearings in the area of the proposed site to allow the public to better understand. I thank that the 30 day comment period should be extended to accommodate such.

Please request that as allowed under South Dakota law, an Environmental Impact Statement be done by a third party, with the final Air Permit delayed until after the processing of the EIS.

If time permits, I may have additional comments and will forward such to you as I more fully understand the draft permit.

Sincerely,

Tracy A. Smith