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Comment description: As a potential wind farmer investor, I completely support the Schwendiman Wind Farm contract without the 90/110 performance band. Small wind projects are tremendous for rural economic development in Idaho and provide distributed generation where needed-in remote agricultural areas. The 90/110 performance band makes these small projects not viable from an investor's standpoint - the penalties are too severe and make the project too risky. It is really time that Idaho's PUC support small wind projects rather than continuing to set the large power companies such as Idaho Power and Pacificorp up to be the only ones possible to build wind projects. By reinforcing their monopolies, you are doing a disservice to the state of Idaho.

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