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To whom it may concern: I heard about the proposal for drilling at the Black Hills and the Rochford Mineral Exploratory Drilling Project #67838. My family is concerned about this project because the Black Hills are a beautiful, pristine environment and we enjoy seeing such beautiful places on vacations and learning about the plants and animals living there. We hike, camp, and picnic in beautiful environments, and these could be destroyed by such drilling projects. I am also concerned because this project will negatively affect the traditional ceremonial practices for Lakotas, and we should respect these people. One of my most talented university professors has Lakota heritage, and I stopped immediately to write this message when I heard this project could negatively impact Lakotas. Please apply a 60-day extension of the "scoping" public comment period, so everyone has an opportunity to comment. Please require an Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) for this project. This sort of decision should not be rushed. Thank you.