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Dear Commissioners.

I am a land owner in Minnehaha county. The proposed Dakota Access pipeline is within 300 feet of my home. My address is 46140 261<sup>st</sup> Street Hartford SD 57033. I have not been contact by Dakota Access in regards to the proposal. I had checked with the PUC on what the guidelines were on notification. I was informed that property owners within a half mile need to be informed. Ms. Edwards did return a call to me and stated my property is not within the notification area. The land had been surveyed and there were stakes put up already so it is clearly within the notification area. (pictures are attached of my home and the stake). Ms. Edwards said she would have to check on it with Dakota Access. I apologize I did not log the date of that call but it was several months ago. When I did not hear back, I assumed that maybe the line was being moved or had been denied.

After recently doing a little more research about the proposed pipeline I am very concerned about the risks. The portion of land that I own is about 1.2 acres but the 40+ acres around my home will be mine and my kid's in the future and that is where the pipeline is proposed. My son will carry on the family farming tradition (he will be the third generation on this land) the pipeline will reduce the yield production of the land. The soil will be disturbed from the pipeline construction and the heat produced from the pipeline after installation. The pipeline will rob the future generations of their lively hood! The proposed pipeline is 30" diameter that will carry extremely flammable hazardous material. The water supply to my home is well water so when there is a leak my water source will be compromised. Or when there is an explosion my home and family will not survive. Another concern is the property value of my home and future expansion of buildings, tiling or trees.

The routing of the pipeline is a complete disrespect to my family and other citizens of SD. The maps are complex to decipher but it appears to be close to some heavy populated areas. How will this impact the growth of those communities? And future generations?

How many other land owners have not been contacted? If Dakota Access can not properly contact the land owners that are within the guidelines how are they going to build and maintain the pipeline? If the permit is granted – will there be

unbiased inspectors to monitor the installation? Who will be readily available and willing to address the concerns during the installation? Who will stop the installation process if the conditions of the permit are not followed?

Pipeline spills are inevitable – it might not be in my life time but it will happen and I don't feel it is ethical or morally responsible to put that burden on my family's future.

Do not approve the proposed Dakota Access Pipeline!

Thank you for your time and consideration.

Linda Dansman-Nichols