

**From:** Frank Kloucek [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Wednesday, January 4, 2023 1:07 PM  
**To:** PUC-PUC <[PUC@state.sd.us](mailto:PUC@state.sd.us)>  
**Subject:** [EXT] Public comment for CO2 Pipeline hearings

**January 4, 2023 Docket # HP22-001**

**PUC Commissioners**

**Gary Hansen, Chris Nelson & Acting Commissioner Josh Haeder**

**500 East Capitol**

**Pierre, SD 57501**

**Commissioners Hansen, Nelson and Acting Commissioner Haeder:**

**In regard to the Summit pipeline, I strongly encourage you to delay the formal permitting process to address the many concerns you heard at the recent Commission sponsored public meetings.**

**Until** new federal PHMSA guidelines and state legislation is adopted, a postponement of the permitting process is a prudent course of action. I encourage you to consider listening to affected landowners and schedule September of 2023 or January of 2024 Summit CO 2 PUC official permitting hearings.

**The intention of the CO 2 pipeline industry is to use the calendar to dodge new PHMSA rules. It is nothing more than an attempt to escape regulation that is in the public's best interest.**

**Holding hearings in the April-May 2023 time frame does a great disservice to affected rural homeowners and landowners heavily involved in agriculture with lambing, calving and planting time frame concerns. It would create an additional unnecessary burden on**

**affected landowners. The April meeting dates would make them choose between their livelihoods and the pipeline hearings. This is wrong.**

**Sincerely;**

**Frank Kloucek Retired Legislator**

**[REDACTED] Scotland, S.D. 57059**

**[REDACTED] email phone [REDACTED]**