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I am opposed to the construction of this pipeline.

I live 6 miles west of Aberdeen, just south of Hwy 12. I have a 10 acre property in WhiteTail Meadows subdivision of Brown County. The proposed high pressure liquid CO2 pipeline location is approximately 400 feet away from my house and about 100 feet from my shop building based on the simple map sketch they provided to me.

I was approached by people representing themselves as being with the pipeline construction company, who wanted access to my property to survey for the pipeline construction. I had many questions, which the representative seemed unable/unwilling to answer. He eventually gave me a business card with a phone number to contact for questions. I gave him my name and phone number to have someone contact me with the answers, and he assured me he would. This never happened, so I called and left a voice mail at the phone number provided. I never heard back. Later, another representative came to my property, again asking me to sign a paper giving them access to my property to survey and to build the pipeline. I informed him that I still had not had my questions answered and I refused to sign. I called the SD PUC office to ask about this project and was told that no formal permit had been applied for, so they had nothing to tell me about it at that time.

Later I began to get legal letters mailed to me asking me to sign the approval to do the survey/construction of the pipeline, which I never signed.

After attending the Aberdeen public comment meeting on March 25, I learned more about 'why' this pipeline is being proposed. The fact that the only reason this pipeline is being considered is to make more profits for the ethanol plants so they can sell into the California and east coast markets and take advantage of the Tax Credits being offered by the current administration to help pay for it, disgusts me. This company has proven to be dishonest, is not transparent, not willing to

answer honest questions and is now poised to 'strong arm' land owners with eminent domain.

I urge the SD PUC to not approve this pipeline construction as the danger, forced land occupation, lack of transparency is NOT in the best interest of the SD public and based on the potential danger of this high pressure line, is way too close to my home for the safety of my family.

Thank you,

Brad Fiechtner