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**Subject:** [EXT] HP-22-001

Folks,

I am writing to you about Docket HP-22-001. Are there going to be any more public meetings, if so, I would like to attend? Also, do you know when the next scheduled meeting of the PUC about this Docket is going to be discussed? I really would like to attend. I've been reading most of the public's concerns and they agree with me, or I with them, that allowing a CO2 pipeline in our state would be extremely dangerous and a waste of taxpayer dollars.

In my letter of 21 March 2023, I mentioned that I had attended meetings about the Bore Hole that the Department of Energy wanted to drill in South Dakota. I informed the public in those 4 meetings, that if the Bore Hole would have been a successful test, what would prevent the US Government from declaring Eminent Domain and taking over the land where it was drilled. When that question was posed to Battelle (prime contractor) and DOE director of the project, they couldn't deny my statement. When asked by a land owner if Battelle/DOE could provide a written guarantee that the Government wouldn't seek Eminent Domain, if successful, DOE said NO they couldn't. Their plan, if you're not familiar, was to drill an 8" bore hole 3 miles deep to see if it was feasible to store High Level Radioactive Waste (spent reactor fuel assemblies). That was to take place in the first year and Battelle was to return the land to the way they found it. I asked them that if the 8" Bore Hole was successful, what would be next. They replied that they would want to try a 14" Bore Hole.

I knew what was coming next. If it was determined that the test holes were successful, the next phase would start the ball rolling to make South Dakota a High Level Radioactive Waste state. At the time, Governor Dugaard, SD School of Mines and Respec Engineering Consultants were all for the project, not really knowing what could happen. I don't want South Dakotans to fall into another scheme. Granted, storing High Level Radioactive Waste is a necessity, capturing CO2 and transporting it is a totally wrong idea.

I realize that the SD PUC doesn't control Eminent Domain, but what are the consequences if a private For Profit entity starts taking over our land. When will it end?

Sincerely,  
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