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To: PUC-PUC < <u>PUC@state.sd.us</u>>

Subject: [EXT] Support the Summit Carbon Solutions Project (Docket #HP22-001)

Dear SD Utilities Board members,

I'm writing to express my full support for Summit Carbon Solutions' proposed carbon capture and sequestration pipeline. I strongly believe that this project has significant potential to positively impact South Dakota's economy, specifically by strengthening our ethanol industry and opening up new market opportunities.

The ethanol industry is a major contributor to South Dakota's economy, providing jobs and economic stability to many of our communities. Summit Carbon Solutions' pipeline promises to make our ethanol plants more efficient and competitive by capturing and storing carbon emissions. This will lower operational costs in the long run, and could potentially increase profit margins for ethanol producers in our state.

The pipeline isn't just good news for ethanol producers. The potential for Sustainable Aviation Fuel is huge for our state. This could be a new source of income for South Dakota, diversifying our economy and making it more resilient.

Construction of this pipeline will also provide immediate economic benefits by creating jobs in the construction and maintenance sectors. And as the pipeline becomes operational, it will continue to offer employment opportunities in the long term.

In summary, the Summit Carbon Solutions pipeline presents a fantastic opportunity for economic growth in South Dakota. By supporting this pipeline, we're investing in the future of our ethanol industry, creating jobs, and opening up new markets for our state.

Thank you for considering my viewpoint. I am confident that you will see the numerous economic advantages this project offers and will make a decision that benefits the state of South Dakota.

Sincerely,

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