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**From:** Angie Stephen [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Thursday, March 17, 2022 1:45 PM  
**To:** PUC <[PUCPF@state.sd.us](mailto:PUCPF@state.sd.us)>  
**Subject:** Re: [EXT] Pipeline in Hand County

I apologize for not including all information along with my letter.  
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**From:** Angie Stephen [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Wednesday, March 16, 2022 10:45 AM  
**To:** PUC-PUC <[PUC@state.sd.us](mailto:PUC@state.sd.us)>  
**Subject:** [EXT] Pipeline in Hand County

Members of the South Dakota Public Utilities Commission and to anyone else to whom it may concern.  
First of all I would like to say hello.

My name is Roger Martinmaas and SCS wants to go across some land that I own in Hand County,SD.  
A Little background history about my land involved with this pipeline. My parents pretty much homesteaded this land. My parents moved a house on this land and raised all of us ten children there. All ten children attended St. Liborious Catholic School in Polo, SD until the eight grade and then continued thru high school in the Polo High School. I am child number Seven. I then married and stayed on the farm helping my parents and raising my children on this farm also. My son is now living on this Farm and raising his children. Over the years there has been a lot of BLOOD, SWEAT, AND TEARS spent on this farm. Also a lot of MEMORIES and HISTORY created.

Now out of the blue the SCS wants to ruin the integrity of this farm which I consider to be a VERY PRECIOUS place. A very PRECIOUS PLACE to my deceased parents and to all of my siblings who were raised on the farm. I believe that this pipeline will effect the VALUE of this farm FOREVER. The farm will never be the same. How would the P.U.C like SCS to run a pipeline across their land close to their home and family?

This is what they are trying to do to us!

I've heard the arguments that the pipeline is good for ethanol and the environment. The ethanol plants need to figure out an alternative solution to this problem. I and many other landowners feel that this is a clever plot for a few investors to make them rich and the leave the landowners in the dirt. If this goes thru the landowners should share in these HUGE profits that SCS is going to be making. What the SCS is wanting to give the landowners now is like spitting in a 5gal bucket at our feet.

I believe that it is illegal and immoral for anyone or any company to touch this land that I have worked hard for and paid taxes on my whole life without my approval and I am here to tell you that I DO NOT APPROVE! From my review many of the landowners feel that same way. Again this is IMMORAL for the members of the P.U.C to issue these permits to SCS.

I hope the P.U.C members and anyone else who reads this letter will carefully take into consideration what I have said here. Don't let this big company come in and waste all our years of HARD WORK AND WAY OF LIFE so that they can make a BUCK. IT IS NOT RIGHT!

Sincerely,

Landowner  
Roger Martinmaas.

Sent from my iPad