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South Dakota Public Utilities Commission
Capitol Building 1st Floor
500 E Capitol Ave
Pierre, SD 57501

Attach to Docket HP22-001 - In the Matter of the Application by SCS Carbon Transport LLC for a Permit to Construct a Carbon Dioxide Transmission Pipeline

Dear Commissioners:

As a landowner on the proposed CO² pipeline route, I oppose the Summit Carbon Solutions Pipeline permit filed with the SD Public Utilities Commission.


South Dakota has a proud heritage of agriculture and supporting local farmers. Farmers are the backbone of our society that produce crops to feed local communities as well as the world. The CO² pipeline will impact valuable cropland in making it less productive yielding less crop. Although Summit Carbon Solutions will indicate the soil will only have a couple of years less productivity, studies have proven the soil will not return back to the prior conditions. This not only impacts the ability to produce necessary crops but the profitability to farmers.

Furthermore, accidents can, will, and have already happened with CO² pipelines. If a pipeline were to leak, it can cause metals to be released into groundwater which is dangerous to our health but also to that of livestock.

Lastly, taking my private property for non-public use is against private property rights and should not be supported. Landowners have a right to stop individuals or corporations from taking their private property. Why should a company be allowed to take my land for private, for-profit, financial gains?

I am hopeful that you will support my opinions in protecting my property and deny the permit to construct a CO² pipeline. Thank you for your time and consideration.

Sincerely,



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