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Public Utility Commission  
500 E. Capitol Ave.  
Pierre, SD. 57501

Dear PUC,

I am writing this letter of opposition and concern as a South Dakota landowner in Lincoln, Dayton and Lynn townships. I recently received a letter from the May Adam firm regarding SCS Carbon Transport, LLC. I was unable to attend the March 23rd meeting held in Sioux Falls due to the fact that I currently reside in Idaho.

I have numerous concerns as a landowner:

- Private land should not be used for eminent domain. My family paid for the farm, pays all of the taxes on the property, and has the right to maintain private ownership. The intention of SCS Carbon Transport, LLC is to use the carbon project for their profits. The carbon and/or profits wouldn't be used within the state of South Dakota, but would end up in Delaware with SCS Carbon Transport.
- Pipeline construction permanently damages tillable acres. Fewer acres to farm means less income for my family. This is not acceptable
- Carbon pipelines are dangerous. If one were to be damaged/exposing carbon into the environment, people as well as wildlife will suffer. I am not willing to be part of that liability. I pay the taxes on the farm and reserve this right.
- Carbon pipelines are not a solution for climate change. If anything, they pose a deeper threat

The farming industry is necessary in the United States. It is an occupation that already works with obstacles such as uncooperative weather, extreme price increases for seed, fertilizers and equipment, etc. Pipelines should be built in public areas that are not part of the feeding tube for American citizens. I am appalled that such a notion is even being considered with all of the environmental restrictions that are in our world. Airlines are advancing to carbon neutral, why would we put food at a risk of destruction?

Thank you for taking time to read my reasons of opposition. I sincerely hope the PUC will not allow the SCS Carbon Transport project to destroy our South Dakota farms.

Sincerely,

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