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Comments to the PUC on HP24-001 Summit Carbon Pipeline

The Lord bless you and keep you! The Lord let His face shine upon you, and be gracious to you! The Lord look upon you kindly and give you peace!

The pressure on you, the SD PUC commission, for the permit of this hazardous pipeline, is so far above and beyond anything that I can imagine. Even though this is your job, I thank you so very much, as the stress, time, and effort to do due diligence of this entire process is no small task. The SD PUC denied the permit to Navigator and to Summit in 2023. This year the citizens of SD backed up your denial with an overwhelming 60% voting NO on this CO2 pipeline. But yet here we are again. The reason I got involved in this is not because this pipeline is going across my ground, at least yet. Getting involved is what neighbors do. If this pipeline were going across my ground, I would hope that my neighbors would have my back. Thus, I implore you, the SD PUC to stand up for your neighbors, the 60% of SD citizens who do not want this hazardous pipeline. What good is it to gain the whole world and lose your own soul?

There are so many aspects to this pipeline that they are too numerous to mention. Thus for now, I will comment on these few.

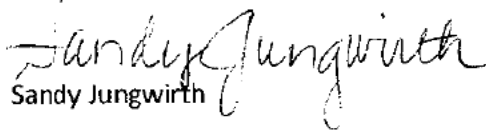
1. This project will fail to be good stewards of our land, water, and electricity. It will take years if ever for the land to return to optimal condition from being dug up to put the pipeline in and due to the heat from the contents in the pipe. How will this heat affect the soil? The amount of water and electricity this pipeline will use for this project is atrocious. The drastic increase in use of water and electricity will increase the costs of these resources, which in turn will result in increased costs to all SD citizens for everything else. This is especially concerning for those who live on a fixed income and we have a lot of elderly who live in this state and along the entire path of this pipeline.
2. This company has a proposed route, not a definite route. If granted a permit without a definite route, they will put this pipeline wherever they want. SCS has intimidated, insulted, bullied, lied, and badgered SD citizens to get easements. The way SCS has behaved in their interactions with SD citizens leads me to question just how safe this pipeline is. They have never built a pipeline, and yet they are going to build a hazardous pipeline. Based on their behavior, in my opinion, the quality of this HAZARDOUS pipeline is already in jeopardy/questionable. If this pipeline is so safe, then why are people along the proposed route getting certified letters about it? People who work with any kind of pipeline or hose know that pipelines/hoses leak, break, or rupture. If this pipeline is so safe, I challenge SCS employees to live within feet of it, too! When there is a leak, break, or rupture of this HAZARDOUS pipeline where there are mass casualties, I doubt that SCS will come to help bury the dead. Remember, the Titanic was thought to be unsinkable until it sank.
3. Those individuals where the pipeline is expected to run through or near their property have exclusions to their liability coverage as a pipeline carrying a pollutant subjects them to substantial uninsurable exposure. Refer to APP 1.
4. The health, safety, and welfare of the individuals and employees at the South Dakota Development Center (SDDC) is of concern. The proposed CO2 pipeline is within 2-3 miles from the SDDC, Redfield. The individuals at SDDC are entrusted to the care of the State of SD. It is the duty and obligation of the State of SD to look out for their best interest.

5. The US is so deep in debt, am not sure how our federal government can afford to give this company the 45Q tax credit for this pipeline. In addition, we are paying for this project in state not only with our tax dollars, but with our property being taken away, too. We are the ones paying for this project by a) our federal income tax, b) our state taxes, 3) property taken away, 4) the increased costs for everything else that will be passed on to each and every SD citizen. I am not opposed to progress and developments that will help everyone, NOT just a select few. This project is a transfer of wealth from us to wealthy elites! There will be an increase in the number of poor and those on welfare, an increase in WEALTHFARE, and end to what is left of the working middle class.

Not only is the livelihood of the citizens of SD on the line with this CO2 pipeline, our lives are literally on the line...

Glory to God in the highest, and on earth, peace to people of goodwill,

In God We Trust,


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