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My name is Tama Haven, Brentford SD. I spoke at the Redfield Meeting of the PUC and gave the statement below. I made the statement at the meeting about my concerns on the safety of South Dakota Students and how evacuation would not be possible. When I completed my comments, Chris Nelson asked me how close the pipeline is from my school. I stumbled and did not answer well. The pipeline runs 2 to 3 miles from my school. I did some more research now that I have the new map. I found 18 schools in which the pipeline runs with in 5 or fewer miles. I chose 5 miles as this seems to be backed by science for the asphyxiation cloud.

Aberdeen 1 to 2 miles Brookings 2 to 3 miles Harrisburg 3 to 4 miles Hartford 1 to 2 miles Huron 1 or less miles Groton 1 to 2 miles Desmet 2 to 3 miles Lake Preston 1 to 2 miles Lennox 2 to 3 miles Marion 2 miles Mellette (Northwestern) 2 to 3 miles Onida (Sully Buttes) - 1 Mile Redfield 2 miles Tea 1 to 2 miles Watertown 2 miles Waverly 3 to 4 miles Wentworth 2 to 3 miles Willow Lake 1 to 2 miles

As a dedicated teacher and advocate for the well-being of our students and community, I am speaking to express my strong opposition to the proposed CO2 pipeline that would run

just miles from our school. I am deeply concerned about the significant risks this pipeline poses to the safety, health, and future of the children under my care.

The proximity of the pipeline to our school raises serious safety concerns. In the event of a leak or rupture, carbon dioxide released in high concentrations could create an asphyxiation hazard, potentially endangering the lives of students, staff, and residents in the surrounding community. Considering the rapid response required in such emergencies, I worry that evacuation protocols would not be sufficient to ensure everyone's safety, especially young children who may be more vulnerable in high-stress situations along with special needs students.