March 14, 2022

Iowa Utilities Board
1375 East Court Ave
Des Moines, IA 50319-0069

Dear Board Members:

Enclosed is Resolution No. 22-31, adopted by the City Council of the City of Story City, Iowa, at its meeting on March 7, 2022, as it pertains to the proposed Navigator Heartland Greenway CO2 Pipeline.

Pursuant to Resolution No. 22-31, the City Council of the City of Story City, Iowa, hereby opposes the Navigator Heartland Greenway CO2 pipeline and that the application should be denied. In addition, the use of eminent domain should not be authorized.

Sincerely,

Mayor and City Council
City of Story City
The following resolution was offered by Councilperson Phillips, who moved its adoption.

RESOLUTION NO. 22-31

RESOLUTION ESTABLISHING THE CITY OF STORY CITY’S OFFICIAL POSITION ON THE NAVIGATOR HEARTLAND GREENWAY CO2 PIPELINE

WHEREAS, the Story City City Council is concerned with the health, safety, and wellbeing of its residents, businesses, and the community as a whole, present and future, and

WHEREAS, Story City’s health, safety, and well-being are impacted by the physical environment in which they live and work, and

WHEREAS, the danger of property damage and threats to personal safety from the proposed Navigator Heartland Greenway pipeline would cause undue burdens on public safety from the City of Story City, and

WHEREAS, CO2 is dangerous and can be toxic, causing sickness and death if released from a ruptured pipeline, and

WHEREAS, a dangerous pipeline presenting the risks such as the proposed Navigator Greenway CO2 pipeline would present the need for additional emergency services, evacuation plans, disaster mitigation, and the accompanying budgetary expenses associated with those requirements, and

WHEREAS, the proposed Navigator Heartland Greenway CO2 pipeline appears to be located through, adjacent, and within close proximity to the east and north corporate limits of the City of Story City, and

WHEREAS, the existing and future residential and business development and growth corridor of the City of Story City lies to its east and north, and
WHEREAS, the proposed Navigator Heartland Greenway CO2 pipeline will have a detrimental impact on the existing and future development and growth of Story City

WHEREAS, the pipeline is proposed to be located within close proximity to residential neighborhoods, businesses, and schools, and

WHEREAS, the proposed Navigator Greenway CO2 pipeline is a detriment and hazard to the health, safety, and economic well-being of our citizens, local environment, and property values.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the City Council of the City of Story City, Iowa, does hereby oppose the Navigator Greenway CO2 pipeline and requests that its project be abandoned or seek and alternative route so that the pipeline does not pass through, adjacent, and within close proximity to the City of Story City, Iowa.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the City Council of the City of Story City, Iowa, hereby requests that the Iowa Utilities Board deny Navigator Heartland Greenway, LLC’s application to construct and operate a CO2 pipeline and does not provide it the use of eminent domain to acquire property to construct, install, and operate the proposed Navigator Heartland Greenway CO2 pipeline.

The motion was seconded by Councilperson Solberg, and, upon roll call, was carried by an aye and nay vote, as follows:

AYE: Ostrem, Phillips, Solberg, O’Connor, and Sporleder

NAY: ________________________________

ABSENT: ________________________________

WHEREUPON, the Mayor declared the Resolution duly adopted this 7th day of March, 2022.

Mike Jensen, Mayor

ATTEST: ________________________________

Heather Slifka, City Clerk
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