

Floyd County Board of Supervisor

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September 19, 2022

Iowa Utilities Board 1375 E Court Avenue Des Moines, IA 50319

RE:

Docket No. HLP-2021-001 (Summit Carbon Solutions, Petition for a Hazardous Liquid Pipeline

Permit)

Members of the Iowa Utilities Board:

We, the Floyd County Board of Supervisors, are submitting this letter for your consideration pertaining to the Summit Carbon Solutions Midwest Carbon Express Pipeline (Summit Carbon Solutions, LLC-Docket No. HLP-2021-001). This letter is to inform you of our concerns regarding the proposed pipeline. Our concerns include impacts to public drainage infrastructure and private farm tile, public safety, economic development, and use of eminent domain for the purpose of private benefit.

The Board and private landowners act as trustees to drainage districts within our county. We have concerns regarding potential damage to drainage district infrastructure as well as drainage tiles. Damage to this infrastructure could result in both public and private cost as a result of this project.

Safety of our citizens is a primary concern of the elected officials in this county. Although discharged CO² should settle relatively close to the ground and disperse depending on the strength of the wind, anyone in the immediate vicinity could run the risk of suffocation. Local fire fighters and first responders are not currently trained to respond to such an emergency. Planning for a response to a discharge of concentrated CO² will require both additional training and expense.

The Summit Carbon pipeline would go directly through the Avenue of the Saints Development Park potentially damaging electrical, water and sewer utilities already in place. The pipeline's permanent easement would also limit our ability to fully utilize all of the industrial park for needed economic development and future growth.

Finally, we also have concerns about the use of eminent domain for this type of project. We question the appropriateness of eminent domain for the benefit of a private company. This type of project does not appear to have public benefit, such as a utility might.

The Floyd County Board of Supervisors respectfully requests that the Iowa Utilities Board consider our concerns regarding this matter.

Sincerely,

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