From Julia Stramer, Landowner Emmons County North Dakota

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RE: Support for SB2322 for the revocation of common carrier status of carbon dioxide pipelines.

My family owns cropland in Emmons County. A proposed CO2 pipeline route cuts through our land and runs near our 4th generation farmyard.

We continue to stand our ground and have not agreed to allow a private company to steal our land, only to make millions of dollars on the backs of ND taxpayers. My great-grandfather, grandmother and father could not have dreamed that their land could be taken by others for private gain.

CO2 does not bring services or needed utility to any persons; it is a solution to a problem that doesn't exist. We must not set a precedent to allow properties to be taken in such a way. Allowing private companies to take lands will open the floodgates to any out-of-state Tom, Dick, and Harry to do the same.

It has cost our family a fortune in lawyer fees and hours upon hours of time wasted to keep our land.

For our future generations and the betterment of our state, please support SB2322 for the revocation of common carrier status of carbon dioxide pipelines.