

June 4, 2024

VIA U.S. MAIL & E-MAIL ONLY: ndpsc@nd.gov

Steve Kahl Executive Secretary North Dakota Public Service Commission State Capitol 600 E Boulevard Ave, Dept 408 Bismarck, ND 58505-0480

RE: In the Matter of the Application of SCS Carbon Transport LLC for

Certificate of Corridor Compatibility and Route Permit for the Midwest

Carbon Express

Case No.: PU-22-391

Dear Mr. Kahl:

Enclosed for filing please find the following documents:

- 1. Landowner Intervenors' Hearing Exhibit 58; and
- 2. Declaration of Service.

This Exhibit is being filed with the North Dakota Public Service Commission (hereinafter "NDPSC") on behalf of the Intervenors represented by Knoll Leibel LLP. These Intervenors have a direct and substantial interest in these proceedings, as well as legal property rights which may be substantially affected by NDPCS' findings and conclusions.

Sincerely,

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RE: C0<sub>2</sub> Pipeline - Kertzman Farm Trust (Mitch Kertzman and Julie Streamer)

SCS Proposed Route Description: Township 135 North, Range 76 West Section 26:

**Emmons County, North Dakota** 

Mr. Bender:

I have been trying to have a dialogue with you and your client for many months now and your client, Summit, has failed to engage in any meaningful way. Additionally, we have not heard from you – ever – as to working on re-routes around our client's land nor have you addressed their opposition to your proposed hazardous pipeline. Given you have had over a year to do this and you have not contacted us at all in this regard, we are at a loss how to proceed other than vigorously opposing your client's applications.

In any event, enclosed with this letter you will find our client's ongoing attempts to reach a palpable resolution to this controversy. However, if we continue to not hear from you and your client continues to refuse to engage on this matter, we will have to proceed to request denial of your client's Application for Certificate of Corridor Compatibility and its Application for Route Permit.

We are providing this information to you in the hope that Summit will start to show at least a minimum good-faith effort to engage with us to address the adverse effects upon landowners who do not want any part of this proposed hazardous pipeline. We respectfully request we hear from you soon.

Respectfully,

Brian E. Jorde

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# DWIGHT EDWIN KERTZMAN AND WANDA LEE KERTZMAN REVOCABLE LIVING TRUST

To:

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Dear Wade,

### A few items of note:

If the SCS pipeline project were for the purpose of distributing power, comm, water, or other utilities that benefit the public, there would be an entirely different response to your project. However, your proposed project is a forprofit tax grab at the landowner's expense.

The Landowners along your proposed route have been treated as a nuisance to a money grab under the auspices of the 'Green Agenda', with the goal of banking millions in Federal Tax Credits, at the expense of the Landowners. Consider the millions already spent by private landowners to defend against your non-beneficial project.

It is clear, that while the SCS project claims to be pro-agriculture, the construction and operation of the project is counter to this claim. It destroys prime Ag land, and puts the people that care for it in peril when there is a rupture. A release of Carbon Dioxide *is not the same* as a release of petrochemical.

Since SCS began the planning of this project, landowners have been bullied, lied to, insulted with offers of pittance level 'compensation', and treated as fodder in the way of the SCS money grab. Indeed, if the purpose of the project is to make trainloads of money, then the very land you need to construct it through should be compensated as a fair percentage of the profits. This is the only way that a semblance of equity can be established. Or, alternately, a lump sum on the order of millions per parcel might be considered.

# DWIGHT EDWIN KERTZMAN AND WANDA LEE KERTZMAN REVOCABLE LIVING TRUST

You now concede that the CO2 you propose to capture and pipe north will likely be re-sold to the oil extraction industry. It is not known by the affected landowners as to what other transmission lines will be added to the easements, once secured.

## **Subject Matter:**

We provided a suggested route that does not bisect/ruin prime farm ground (copy of the exhibit attached), along sections lines. This was ignored.

You have publicly stated (December 20, 2023 <a href="https://www.bek.news/programs/2023-12-20/">https://www.bek.news/programs/2023-12-20/</a>) that if a landowner wanted the route adjusted, that you would do so. This was also stated by Governor Burgum at the same event.

We, at a bare minimum, hereby request that you honor your promise to adjust your proposed pipeline route, as suggested on the attached exhibit, first presented to SCS in 2023, and provide an updated route graphic including the route adjustment.

Sincerely,

Kertzman Farm Trust -and- Dwight Edwin Kertzman and Wanda Lee Kertzman Revocable Living Trust Mitchell B. Kertzman

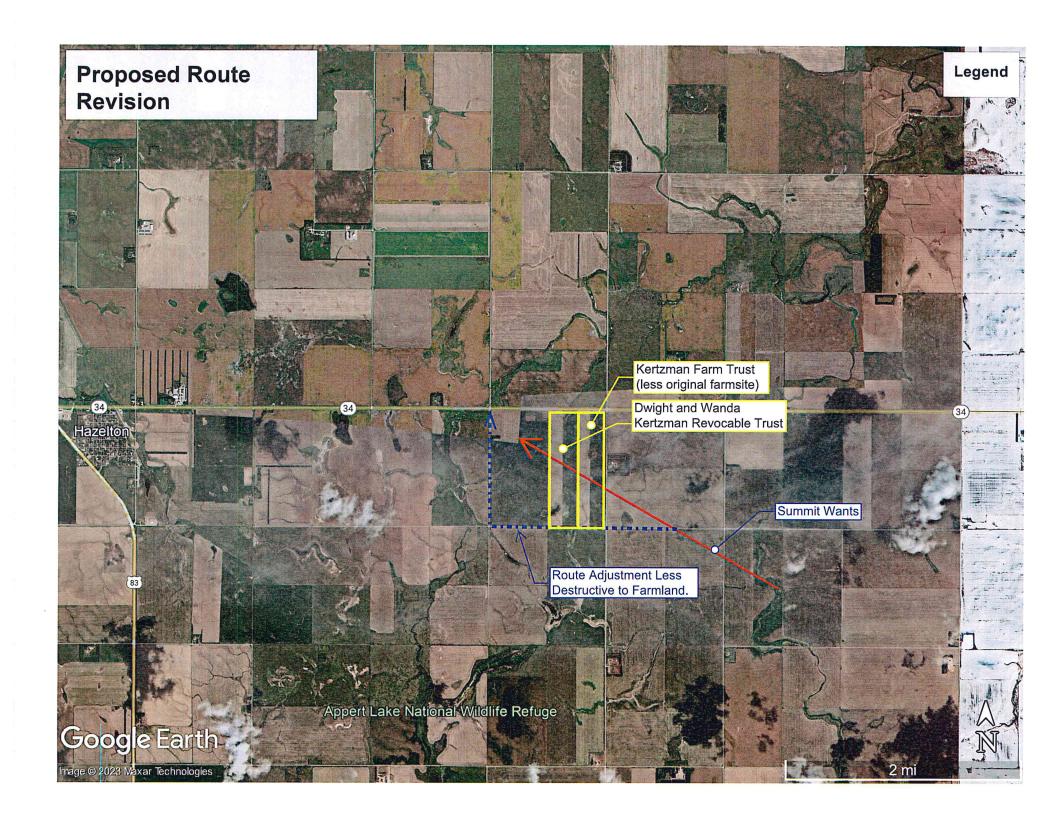
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Kertzman Farm Trust
22318 Lucky Lane, Rapid City, SD 57701
Mitchell B. Kertzman, Trustee
-andTownship 135 North, Range 76 West, Section 26: W2E2
Dwight Edwin Kertzman and Wanda Lee Kertzman Revocable Living Trust

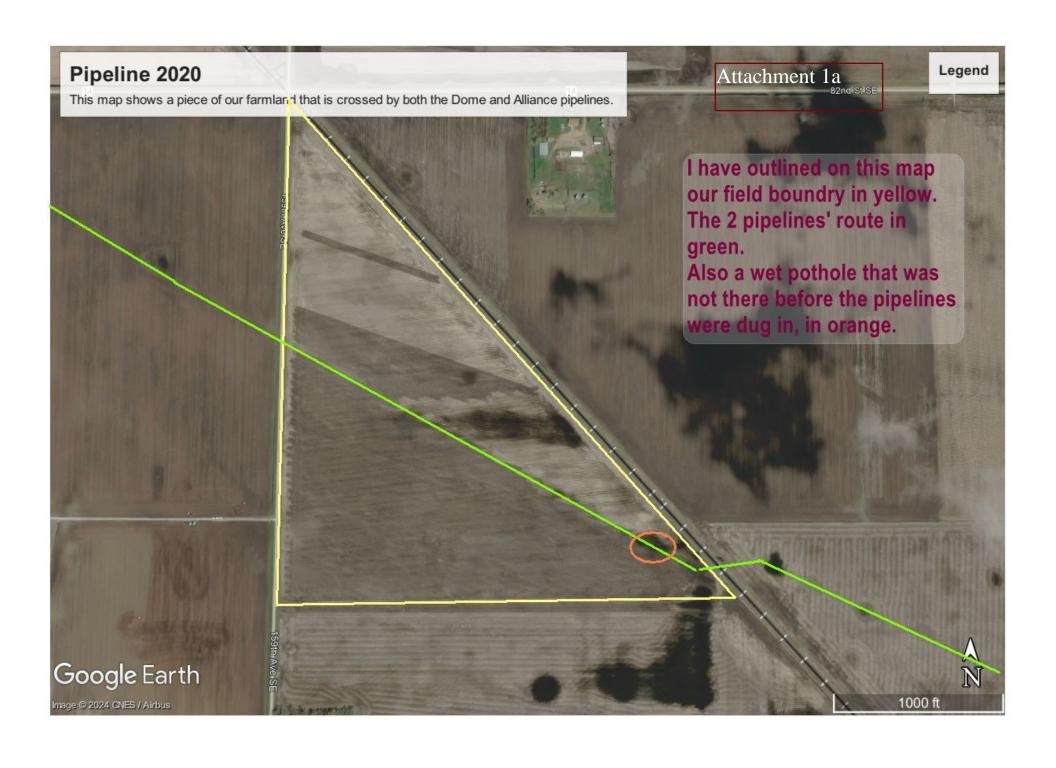
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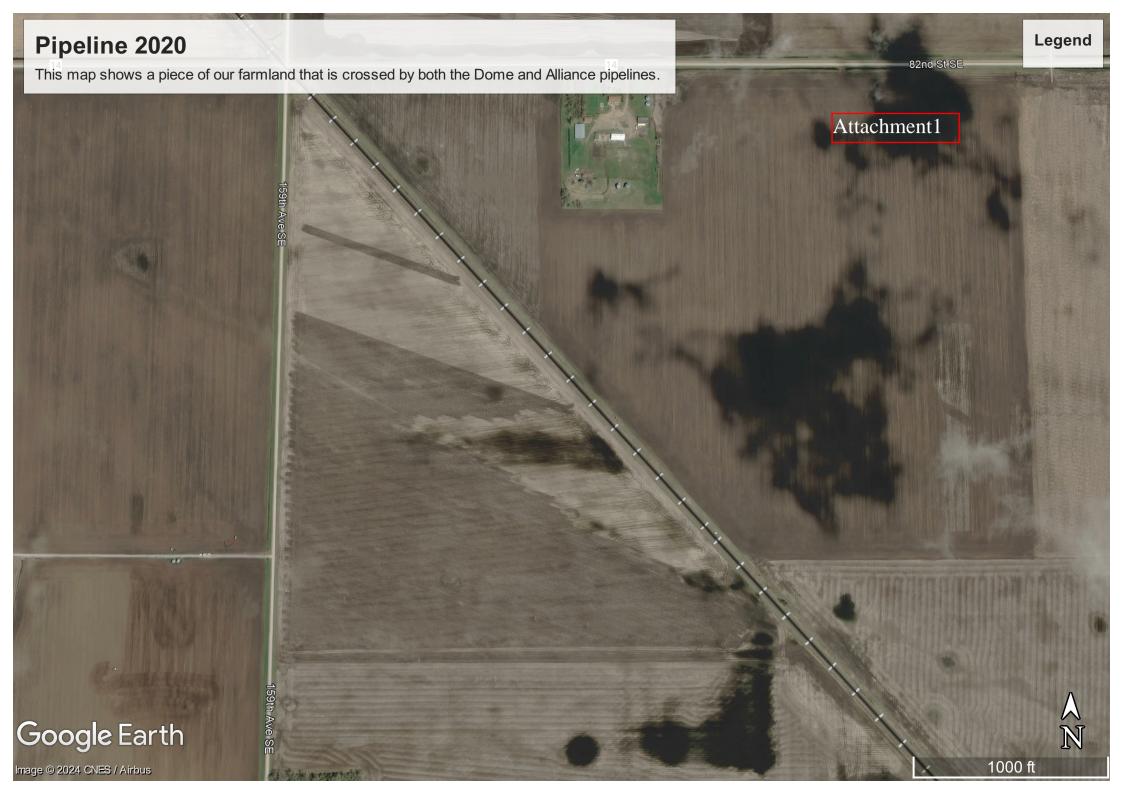
Pipeline Route Exhibit

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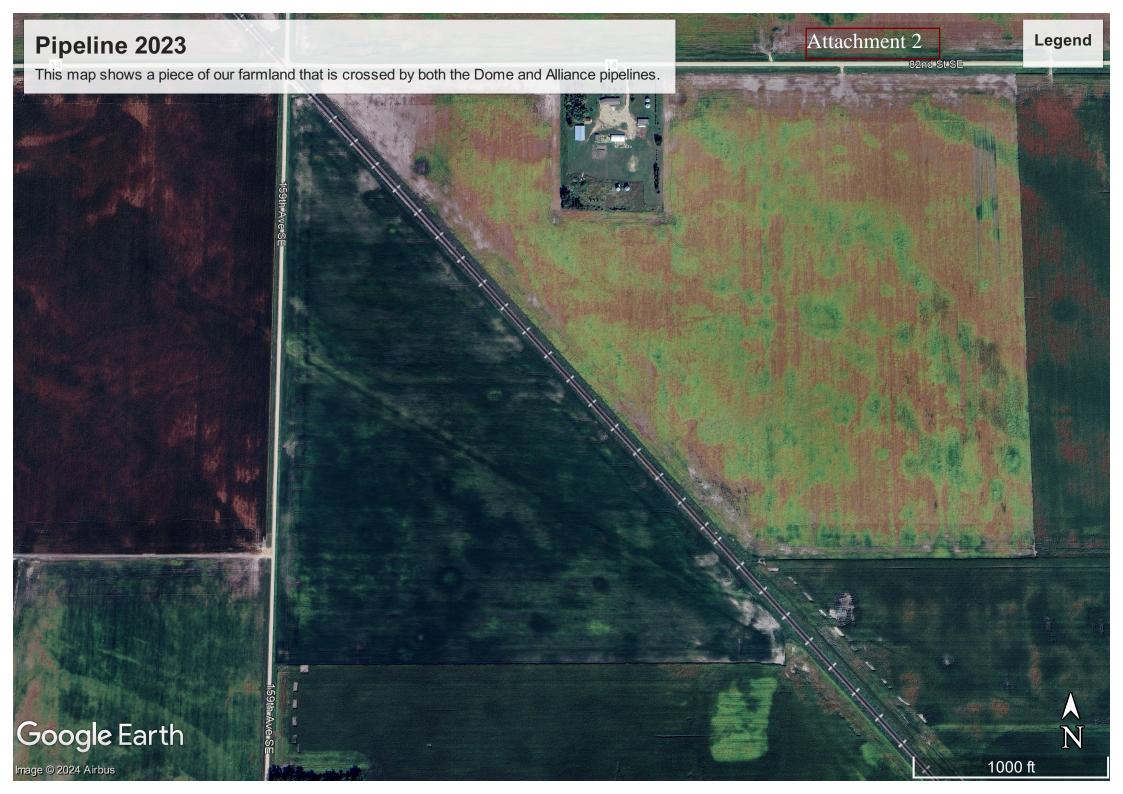
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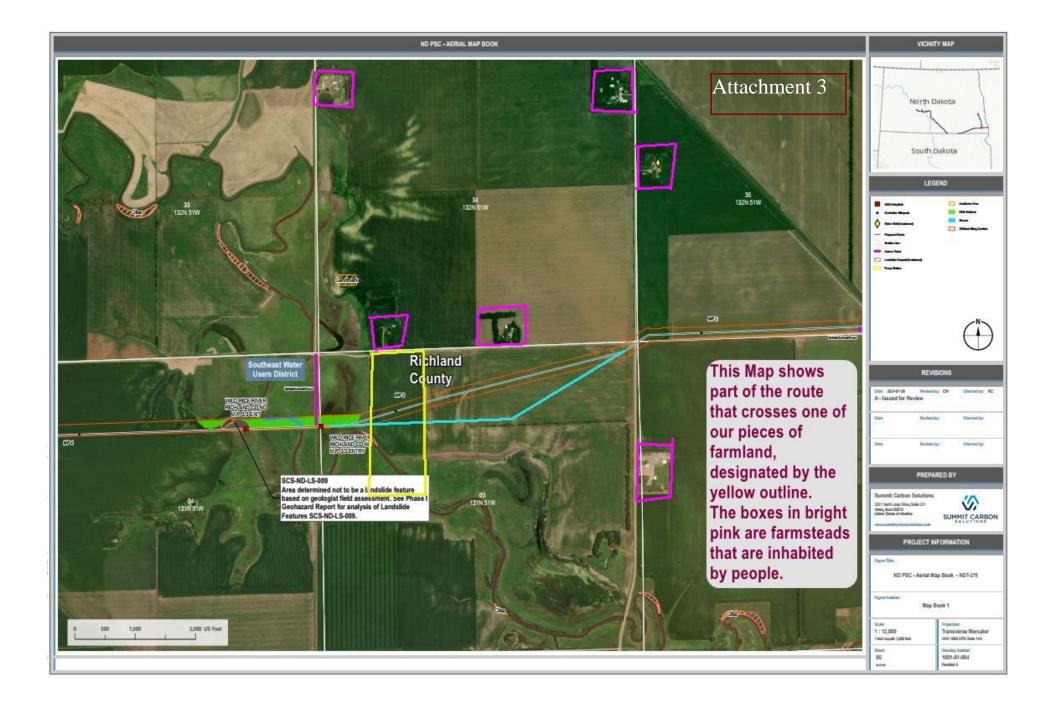












# STATE OF NORTH DAKOTA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION OF SCS CARBON TRANSPORT LLC FOR A CERTIFICATE OF CORRIDOR COMPATIBILITY AND ROUTE PERMIT FOR THE MIDWEST CARBON EXPRESS PROJECT IN BURLEIGH, CASS, DICKEY, EMMONS, LOGAN, MCINTOSH, MORTON, OLIVER, RICHLAND AND SARGENT COUNTIES, NORTH DAKOTA

Case No. PU-22-391

## DECLARATION OF SERVICE

- [1] Rosanne Ogden declares that I am of legal age and not a party to this action, and that I served the following document(s):
  - 1. Landowner Exhibit 58; and
  - 2. Declaration of Service.
- [2] On June 4, 2024, by sending a true and correct copy thereof by electronic means only to the following email addresses, to wit:

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[3] and by sending the originals and seven (7) copies of said documents via U.S. Mail, at Bismarck, North Dakota with postage prepaid, to the following:

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- [5] The addresses of each party served are the last reasonably ascertainable e-mail address and post office address of such party.
- [6] I declare, under penalty of perjury under the law of North Dakota, that the foregoing is true and correct.

Signed on the 4th day of June, 2024 at Bismarck, North Dakota.

Rosanne Ogden