

RESOLUTION BY TRUSTEES OF BURNS TOWNSHIP

WHEREAS on June 16, 2023, Wolf Carbon Solution, US LLC filed an Application for Certificate of Authority with the State of Illinois Commerce Commission ("ICC"), seeking an order authorizing it to construct and operate a carbon dioxide (CO2) pipeline system in Illinois and, if and when necessary, to take and acquire easements and interest in private property through the exercise of eminent domain;

WHEREAS, Burns Township residents received landowner notifications from the ICC and Wolf Carbon Solutions, thus indicating that the proposed construction of the pipeline will run through or in close proximity through portions of property owned by Burns Township residents;

WHEREAS, the proposed construction of the pipeline will run in close proximity and through portions of property not owned by Burns Township residents;

WHEREAS, the elected officials of Burns Township oppose the construction of a CO2 Pipeline in our township based upon the following facts and concerns:

- A CO2 pipeline would pose a direct threat to the health and safety of the residents of Burns Township because of the inherent risks associated with pipe ruptures in these lines.
- Residents of Burn Township would be negatively impacted by living under the constant threat of a CO2 pipeline rupture, leak or explosion.
- If construction of a carbon dioxide pipeline is permitted, Burns Township residents and businesses will be faced with the undo financial burden of purchasing carbon dioxide detectors, alarm systems, air supply breathing equipment, and appropriate vehicles, all of which are necessary to detect, survive and escape from a pipeline rupture.
- Residents would likely experience reduced property values if they are forced to have a CO2 Pipeline through their property, as any reasonable person would choose to buy property without a CO2 Pipeline or near a CO2 pipeline, all other factors being equal.
- The foreseeable reduction in property values and the hope of alternative retail commercial or other productive, tax paying development along a CO2 Pipeline route will diminish the fiscal health of the Township tax base.
- Currently, there is a lack of regulation and oversights over carbon pipeline construction which has been recognized by the U.S. Department of Transportation's Pipeline and Hazardous Materials Safety Administration (PHMSA). The PHMSA announced on May 26, 2022 a plan to initiate a new rulemaking process with a goal of strengthening its safety oversight of carbon dioxide (CO2) pipelines as well as enforcing actions, against Denbury Gulf Coast Pipelines for its CO2 pipeline but that plan is still ongoing and will not be sufficiently completed and new rules in effect to protect the citizens of Burns Township during the construction of this proposed pipeline.

WHEREAS, at a minimum, in light of the PHMSA creating new measures for CO2 Pipeline Safety, the Illinois Commerce Commission should not grant any CO2 Pipeline the right to build in Illinois until the new safety measures are finalized and in effect, and

WHEREAS, we as elected officials of Burns Township need time to review these new PHMSA measures and enact ordinances to protect our residents and ensure CO2 Pipelines must adhere to both the PHMSA measures and any additional measures we find to be in the best interest of our residents' safety and general welfare, and

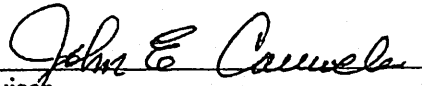
WHEREAS, as the elected officials of Burns Township, we are responsible for the upkeep of all Township Roads; CO2 pipelines threaten drainage of farm fields which can cause standing water on our roads, and

WHEREAS as stewards of tax dollars and the public trust we oppose this entire CO2 Pipeline scheme as a false solution and unproven method of helping the environment, and

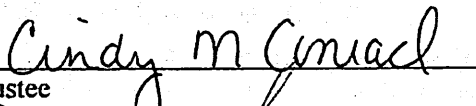
WHEREAS the Federal tax dollars subsidizing the CO2 Pipeline could be much better spent on more proven methods of reducing carbon dioxide emissions without the need to use Eminent Domain and put our Township residents at permanent risk of CO2 Pipeline leaks.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by the elected officials of Burns Township that we hereby oppose the construction and use of eminent domain for any CO2 Pipeline in Burns Township and urge Henry County and the Illinois Commerce Commission to join us in opposing CO2 pipelines to protect the health and safety of our residents.

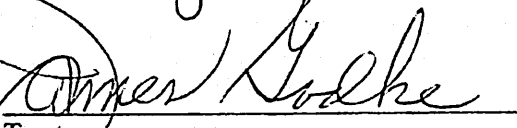
Signed by the Trustees of Burns Township this 20 day of September 2023



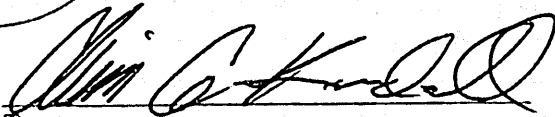
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