

Mr. Chairman and members of the Senate Energy and Natural Resources Committee,

My name is John Warford, Sr and am an affected landowner in Burleigh County.

I am in support of SB 2314 and ask a do pass from the committee.

This is a common sense bill to set up public hearings to grant a pipeline common carrier status.

The PSC should welcome more public transparency.

This bill also gives local governments and local residents a chance for public testimony on pipeline projects; current regulatory structure is too restricted with the only public hearing being on the issuance of the permit.

Thank you.