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TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN

I have recently moved to [REDACTED] in Theddlethorpe St Helen and am extremely concerned about the Viking CCS proposals here and wish to officially object.

We moved here to have a new start after a [REDACTED]. We thought this could be our dream home (once renovated), in a beautiful unspoilt area with a bit of land, 10 minutes from the beach. We were aware of the possibility of the nuclear dump as that showed up on our searches at the time prior to purchasing this property, but this did not. Why not? It appears to have sneaked in the back door with other major things such as National Grids proposals for pylons, and the nuclear dump taking precedence. If we had known about all three proposals we would certainly not have moved here.

I am unclear how close the pipeline will be in relation to my property or, what I will actually be able to see, but it is going to be a huge blot on our beautiful landscape in these area. This is a place with a nature reserve and coastline of national importance and this project is a huge environmental risk with possible storage leaks contaminating groundwater and soil. We have amazing wildlife here and that was one of the reasons we came here but with so much decline in our wildlife throughout the world in general, we should be doing everything we can to save it, not destroy important habitat.

From what I can make out from the map, the pipeline goes right up to thousands of caravans in Mablethorpe, an area heavily reliant on tourism, and this proposal cannot possibly be safe! If there were to be a leak it could potentially lead to neurological problems at best, or at worse, death for holiday makers as well as for residents. Why would anyone want to put people at risk?

Having recently heard about the accident on 3rd April 2024 in Louisiana, where calls went unanswered, cameras were not working and nobody was actually on site and that it took 2 hours before somebody got there to fix the leak!! It could have been extremely serious but fortunately on that day, the weather conditions dispersed it! The public were very lucky on that occasion.

In 2020 there were major flaws and the leak at the Mississippi site caused many people to convulse, become unconscious and confused. Some people are still experiencing neurological problems as a result. This is just not a safe proposition to do this here.

I found out that CO2 kills 100 workers on site EVERY YEAR globally. How can that be acceptable?

Also something else I thought about was that in the event of a serious leak vehicles will stop running

due to lack of oxygen. How would the emergency services manage to get through should the inevitable happen?

Infrastructure constantly fails, as there are problems with the technology and what guarantees are there that the CO2 will even stay underground?

The proponents cite the CCS can reduce CO2 by 80-90% but in reality, from what I can glean, it is actually only 10%. Burning fossil fuels in order to capture the CO2 is hardly energy efficient, as it is one of the most expensive emissions reduction measures. We need to stop producing it in the first place and we need to rapidly transition to 100% renewable energy. I really don't feel carbon capture is the answer. It is not an amazing solution for solving climate change. It is just going to lock us into decades of more usage of fossil fuels - great for the greedy oil and gas industry and their investors who seem to be at the helm of this proposal!!!

I urge this proposal is dropped immediately. It is NOT SAFE. We know more about the dangers now, unlike the general public when previous sites were built in the US. We must save tomorrow for our planet, our children and grandchildren. This is NOT the answer. What with proposals for this, the nuclear dump and pylons I am completely overwhelmed and don't understand why people are wanting to destroy everywhere.

Yours faithfully

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