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**RE: In the Matter of the Application by SCS Carbon Transport, LLC for a Permit to Construct a Carbon Dioxide Pipeline  
LAKE COUNTY COMMISSIONER – AARON JOHNSON – PIPELINE ROUTE  
PUC Docket: HP22-001  
MAGT File: 0515**

Dear Ms. Van Gerpen:

In last night's SD PUC meeting in Sioux Falls, we heard Aaron Johnson, Lake County Commissioner, claim that the pipeline was within 250' of his family's home. Upon hearing this, Project personnel approached Mr. Johnson after the questions wrapped up and the meeting concluded. We sought to assure him that we would get the pipeline moved to a further distance from his house.

In looking at the active route going back all the way to early August, the pipeline has always been over 750' from Mr. Johnson's home. Currently, it is over 780' from his house. We have attached to this letter aerial sketches showing the route in detail.

The project never had any workspace or centerline impact across Mr. Johnson's home property. Mr. Johnson was never mailed an introduction letter or a sketch. No biological, cultural, or civil survey has been sought or has occurred on Mr. Johnson's home property. Mr. Johnson should have no reason to believe or information to show that the pipeline was ever within a few hundred feet of his house.

The project seeks to work with the landowners and residents, first responders and emergency personnel, and the Commission to route, construct, and operate the proposed pipeline in a safe, responsible, and efficient manner. Some homes are within a proximity to the ethanol plants, and thus to the small diameter lines required to serve the plants. Safety of the residents and the plant personnel, and really everyone, is of paramount importance to all. Setbacks are not the only

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safety features of the project, and we look forward to discussing all the relevant safety features at the evidentiary hearings later this year.

Very truly yours,

MAY, ADAM, GERDES & THOMPSON LLP

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Brett Koenecke". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large initial 'B'.

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Attachments

CC/Att: HP22-001 Service List