From: PUC

Sent: Wednesday, March 15, 2023 4:20 PM

To:

Subject: HP22-001

Mr. Jones,

This is in response to your March 15 email to the South Dakota Public Utilities Commission regarding the proposed SCS Carbon Transport LLC CO₂ Pipeline docket, HP22-001.

Your email presents a number of interesting concerns that we will address as we move through the regulatory process. I appreciate your unique background and experiences and the issues that you articulated. Most of your concerns are on the list of questions and investigation that we are pursuing. The commission opened docket HP22-001 on Feb. 7, 2022, after receiving the application for the pipeline siting permit from SCS. The various project details and documents filed with the siting permit application are being reviewed by the commission's staff with other state agency staff and industry expert witnesses, as well as intervenors, my fellow commissioners, and me. I have made notes of your concerns and they will all be explored during the discovery and hearing processes.

I encourage you to follow this review process as additional information is obtained and filed in the docket.

The <u>Information Guide to Siting Pipelines</u>, posted on the commission website's home page and in the docket, further explains the commission's processing of a siting docket like this within the jurisdiction of the commission, as provided by state law.

Commissioners have a decision-making role in docket matters, so any communication with a commissioner about an open or imminent docket must take place in an open forum, such as a public meeting, with notice given to all parties, or made available in the docket. Thus, your email and my response will be posted under Comments and Responses in the docket.

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