

**BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION
OF THE STATE OF SOUTH DAKOTA**

IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION BY SCS CARBON TRANSPORT LLC FOR A PERMIT TO CONSTRUCT A CARBON DIOXIDE TRANSMISSION PIPELINE))))	ORDER GRANTING PARTY STATUS APPLICATIONS HP24-001
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On November 19, 2024, the South Dakota Public Utilities Commission (Commission) received an Application for a Permit to Construct a Carbon Dioxide Transmission Pipeline (Application) from SCS Carbon Transport LLC (Summit or Applicant), a limited liability company owned by Summit Carbon Solutions, LLC. Applicant proposes to construct and operate a carbon dioxide (CO₂) transmission pipeline (Project). The Project, which has been named the Midwest Carbon Express pipeline, is approximately 2,500 miles of pipelines for the transportation of CO₂ from ethanol plants across five states, including 15 in South Dakota, to underground injection wells in North Dakota. The main line of the proposed route enters South Dakota in Lincoln County at the Iowa/South Dakota border and extends in a northwesterly direction, exiting the state at the South Dakota/North Dakota border in McPherson County. Major components and associated facilities planned in South Dakota are expected to include pump stations, main line valves, launcher-receiver sites, and approximately 16 total miles of temporary and permanent access roads as part of the Project. In addition to the main line and other components, the proposed Project includes lateral and trunk lines connecting ethanol plants throughout the eastern part of South Dakota to the main line. The Project also includes approximately two miles of transmission pipeline originating at the POET Bioprocessing plant near Hudson, South Dakota and exiting the state into Iowa in northeast Union County, before ultimately connecting with Summit's pipeline facilities in Iowa. The total proposed length of pipelines through South Dakota is approximately 698 miles and will cross the counties of Beadle, Brookings, Brown, Clark, Codington, Davison, Edmunds, Grant, Hamlin, Hand, Hyde, Kingsbury, Lake, Lincoln, McCook, McPherson, Minnehaha, Miner, Sanborn, Spink, Sully, Turner, and Union. The proposed pump stations are planned to be located in Beadle, Edmunds, Lake, Minnehaha, McPherson, and Spink counties.

On November 21, 2024, the Commission issued a Notice of Application; Order for and Notice of Public Input Meeting; Notice of Opportunity to Apply for Party Status and electronically transmitted notice of the filing and the intervention deadline of January 24, 2025, to interested individuals and entities on the Commission's PUC Weekly Filings electronic listserv. The Commission has received Applications for Party Status from a number of persons, including governmental entities. On December 13, 2024, Commission Staff filed Staff's Memorandum Regarding Party Status Applications, and Applicant filed a Response to Staff's Memorandum/Objection to Intervention Petitions. The Commission considered the first round of Party Status Applications on December 17, 2024.

On January 10, 2025, Commission Staff filed Staff's First Supplemental Response to Applications for Party Status along with an Attachment A listing Commission Staff's recommendation for all party status applications submitted on and before January 9, 2025.

The Commission has jurisdiction over this matter pursuant to SDCL Chapters 1-26 and 49-41B, specifically 49-41B-17, and ARSD Chapter 20:10:22.

At its regularly scheduled meeting on January 14, 2025, the Commission considered all pending Applications for Party Status filed on or before January 9, 2025. Finding that sufficient interest had been demonstrated, the Commission voted unanimously to grant party status to those individuals and entities listed in Commission Staff's Attachment A filed on January 10, 2025, with the exception of Crystal Page, Kevin Page, Thomas Spisak, Marilyn D. Nelson, Lee Ann Pierce, Bob DeSutter, Leah Murray, Michael Murry, and Roy Brownlee, and to grant Party Status to Connie Burrer, who was not included in the list by Staff. The Commission voted to defer action on the aforementioned Party Status applicants, as well as those not recommended for Party Status as identified in Attachment A in order to allow those persons additional time to provide information regarding their direct interest in this matter.

It is therefore

ORDERED, that Party Status is hereby granted to all persons and entities listed in Attachment A to this Order.

Dated at Pierre, South Dakota, this 23rd day of January 2025.

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

The undersigned hereby certifies that this document has been served today upon all parties of record in this docket, as listed on the docket service list, electronically or by mail.

By: Jamil Tiersch

Date: 1/23/25

BY ORDER OF THE COMMISSION:

Kristie Fiigen
KRISTIE FIEGEN, Chairperson

Gary Hanson
GARY HANSON, Commissioner

Chris Nelson
CHRIS NELSON, Commissioner

Attachment A to Commission Order

Connie Burrer
Tim and Valori Basler
Daniel R. Paulson
Donald Page
Julie Peek
Marilyn Hurley
WEB Water Development Association, Inc.
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Elizabeth Meyer
Craig Schaunaman
David Vinzant
Kathleen Restow
Jason VanDenTop
Katherine Russo
Kirk Schaunaman
Kay Lapka
Kevin Lapka
Scott Sultz
Shelly Bacon/Alan and Rita Brown Trust/Trustee
Susan Sultz
Vernon Slack
Mike Slack
Brian Hoffman, Hoffman Ranch LLC
Edmunds County
Monica Meyer
Raymond Restow
Rebecca Lueth
Rita Brown
Roger Meyer
Roschell Vinzant
Roy Meyer
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Lynn Hurley
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Darlene Kutzler
Deana Larson
Kristi Lewis
Mark and Marshal Vossler
Brad Fiechtner
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Leah DeMent
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Matthew J. Wagner and Kerris S. Wagner
Prudence Slaathaug
Carla Haan
Alvin Haan
Trevor Zeck
Sharon K. Hansen
Gaylord F. Hansen
Cassie Bothern
Lake County
Jillane L. Paulson
Patty Juhnke
Doug Braun
Karoliina Slack
Bryan Ahrendt
April Ahrendt
Kenwood E Olson
John Zeck
Gail Zeck
Katie Kampa
Janii White
Richard Irvin King
Jean King
Dorothy Olson
South Dakota Ethanol Producers Association
Corey Granum
DEH III, LLC
Haugen Investments, LP
John E. Ostraat
McPherson County
Arliss Thompson
Martin F. Wagner
Mellette Township
Anne Jo Erdmann
Betty J. Strom, Revocable Living Trust
Bradly Severson
Brent Neiger
Brooke Higgins
Bruce A. DeNeui
Bryan J. Bortnem
Carol Klein
Casey Higgins
Cassandra Feickert

Catherine A. Hoss
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Connie Schlepp
Dana Bosma
Daniel O. Erdmann
Dennis M. Jones
Gordon Little
Heartland Acres LLC
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Jerome G. Hoffman
Joan S. Endres
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Shafer Real Estate Limited Partnership c/o Kenneth W. Shafer
Lance Feickert
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Linda Seck
Leo Vilhauer
LuAnn Severson
Marne Neiger
MeLisa Elijah, Trustee for Allan V. & Rita Brown Living Trust
Melissa R. Schutte
Milton/Rhonda Revokable Trust
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Nathan Spilde
Orrin Geide
P Spear Ranch Inc.
Rick Hofer
Rita Brownlee
Rod Hohn
Ron Klein
Ruthie Vilhauer
Sid Feickert
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