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Subject: HP24-001

Mr. Kabrud,

You have written to this commission about the HP24-001 docket several times and your March 17 message asks if the South Dakota Public Utilities Commission is conducting research of carbon dioxide pipelines and sequestration.

First, it should be noted that the applicant, SCS Carbon Transport LLC, filed with the commission on March 12, 2025, requesting to suspend the docket. The commission issued an order on March 13, 2025, relaying that the filing will be discussed at a hearing on April 10, 2025. Refer to this <u>FAQ</u> posted on the commission's website home page for further information.

Second, the commission's staff analysts and attorneys working on the docket review the docket within the jurisdiction of South Dakota's laws and administrative rules. There is not a mission or funding from the South Dakota Legislature for the commission to study issues or projects beyond the jurisdiction granted to this commission by law. The federal Pipeline and Hazardous Materials Safety Administration has jurisdiction over carbon dioxide pipeline design and the state of North Dakota has jurisdiction over the carbon sequestration wells associated with SCS's proposed pipeline. You will learn more about this commission's jurisdiction by accessing the Pipeline Siting Information Guide posted on the commission's website and in the docket. As relayed via this document, the applicant's burden of proof includes showing that the project will not substantially impair the health, safety or welfare of the inhabitants. This means that the commission will hear testimony from subject matter experts on those topics when an evidentiary hearing eventually take place for SCS's proposed carbon dioxide pipeline.

As relayed previously, you are encouraged to follow along as documents are posted in the HP24-001 docket from all parties involved. That is the best way to stay apprised of this specific South Dakota docket and learn more about this project, reading the documents formally filed by all parties involved.

Your comment and this response will be posted under Comments and Responses in the docket.

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