From: PUC Sent: Tuesday, August 22, 2023 3:10 PM To: Subject: HP22-001

Mr. Theis,

This is in response to your August 18 email to the Public Utilities Commission with comments and questions regarding SCS Carbon Transport, LLC's requested siting permit application that is currently an open docket, <u>HP22-001</u>.

You relay your opposition to the project and ask numerous questions. You ask about the public meetings that were held and much of this information is posted in the docket, and I encourage you to read those documents. Many of your questions, including concerns about safety, will be the subject of expert witness testimony and cross-examination during the upcoming evidentiary hearing for this docket, to be held Sept. 11-27. That is when my fellow commissioners and I will ask many questions and listen closely to the questions and answers of the formal parties involved in the docket, assisting us in making decisions concerning this application.

Since commissioners have a decision-making role in docket matters, communication with us about any open or imminent docket must be done in an open forum, such as a public meeting or hearing, with notice given to all parties or made available via the docket. Thus, your email and my response will be posted under Comments and Responses in this docket.

Thank you for writing to share your concerns and views.

Gary Hanson, Vice Chairman South Dakota Public Utilities Commission <u>PUC.sd.gov</u>