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Thank you for reaching out to inquire about the permit filed by SCS Carbon Transport LLC (SCS), the Department of Public Safety has reviewed the information you sent. In speaking with individuals within the department, to include Paul Merriman, State Fire Marshal and John Broers, Captain South Dakota Highway Patrol the following was determined:

- The State Fire Marshal's Office would only regulate the storage, use, and handling of CO2 and other compressed gas systems within buildings.
- The South Dakota Highway Patrol would assist local officials with a hazmat spill response, evac, potential protest response etc., if needed.
- The South Dakota Highway Patrol would utilize the emergency response guidebook protocols.
- The South Dakota Office of Emergency Management (SD OEM) would notify appropriate state agencies, to include the South Dakota Department of Agriculture and Natural Resources (DANR) to ensure proper clean up. It is our understanding that proper cleanup would be regulated by DANR.
- SD OEM would ensure adjacent counties were also notified of the situation and support local agencies in finding appropriate resources if those were needed outside mutual aid resources and the pipeline company's capabilities.
- Local agencies are able to call upon mutual aid and request a Hazmat team from one of the full-time fire departments across South Dakota if there was a need for their response.

The Department of Public Safety understands that the PUC is responsible for the review of the proposed carbon dioxide pipeline, pursuant to SDCL 49-41B-22. We submit these comments in response to the PUC's request. Local first responders may have additional comments regarding the project as response starts and ends at the local level.

Thank you for soliciting our comments.

Sincerely,

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 Director, South Dakota Office of Emergency Management  
 Department of Public Safety