

216G.025 ROUTING PERMIT; ENVIRONMENTAL REVIEW; CARBON DIOXIDE PIPELINES.

Subdivision 1. **Definitions.** (a) For the purposes of this section, the following terms have the meanings given.

(b) "Carbon dioxide pipeline" means a pipeline located in Minnesota that transports carbon dioxide in a liquid, gaseous, or supercritical state.

(c) "Commission" means the Public Utilities Commission.

(d) "Supercritical" means a physical state in which a substance is more dense than a gas but less dense than a liquid.

Subd. 2. **Routing permit required.** (a) A person is prohibited from constructing or operating a carbon dioxide pipeline without a route permit issued by the commission under this chapter.

(b) A person seeking to construct or operate a carbon dioxide pipeline is prohibited from applying to the commission for a conditional exclusion or partial exemption from pipeline route selection procedures under Minnesota Rules, chapter 7852.

Subd. 3. **Carbon dioxide pipeline; environmental review.** Notwithstanding any other law or rule, an environmental impact statement must be prepared under Minnesota Rules, chapter 4410, prior to issuing a route permit under this section for a carbon dioxide pipeline. The commission is the governmental unit responsible for preparing an environmental impact statement under this subdivision.

History: *2024 c 126 art 9 s 17; 2024 c 127 art 45 s 17*