

ADM Statement

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As a leader in carbon capture and storage (CCS), ADM continues to be a pioneer in the industry and has successfully and safely operated CCS wells in Decatur for more than a decade. We are also playing a critical role in the advancement and evolution of this technology, utilizing the input and guidance of numerous third-party experts, including the U.S. EPA. Decatur is the home to ADM's North American headquarters, where more than 4,000 of our colleagues live and work. We take very seriously our responsibility to operate this technology safely, capture our learnings along the way, and make adjustments as needed.

Our CCS operation has extensive monitoring in place to ensure that we promptly detect, address, and learn from any developments. We detected some corrosion in a section of one of two deep monitoring wells at approximately 5,000 feet and below. That monitoring well was plugged, is not in use, and none of the other wells were impacted. At no time was there any impact to the surface or groundwater sources or any threat to public health. We reported this development to U.S. EPA and are committed to working closely with U.S. EPA on this issue.

We continue to be confident in the safety, security and effectiveness of CCS as a greenhouse gas mitigation technology and its potential to bring new industries and economic opportunities to the entire state of Illinois.