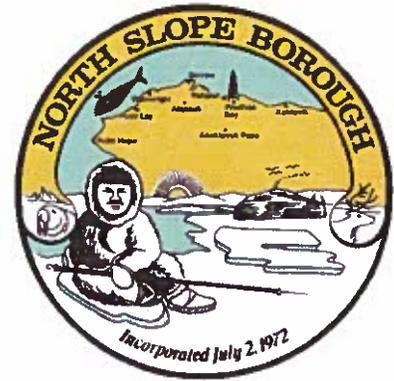


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March 23, 2012

Mr. Dennis Hinnah, Deputy Director  
Western Region, Pipeline and Hazardous Materials Safety Administration

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Re: Response to DOT NOA CPF 5-2011-0017M  
Inspection of NSB's PAP in Barrow, AK.

In response to the inspection of North Slope Borough's (NSB) procedures for Public Awareness Program (PAP) in Barrow, AK in October 05, 2011, by representative of the Pipeline and Hazardous Materials Safety Administration next changes was made by NSB to the Public Awareness Plan:

Barrow Transmission line:

- Updated NSB PAP has all stakeholders including names of local public officials and emergency officials;
- NSB Gas Fields Manager, Tom Nicolos was named as administrator to the plan and will coordinate PAP with the Director of NSB Public Works and administrative personnel. Written description of roles and responsibilities for Administrator and support staff help to identify participation of local officials in public educational program;
- The Director of NSB Public Works department, Kent Grinage, has prepared a letter to NSB Emergency Planning Committee about Barrow Gas Fields Transmission Line PAP;
- In July 2011 Local Emergency Planning Committee discussed importance of public education regarding Transmission Lines and considered executing a Gas Main Explosion Exercise. The exercise was held in February 2012, and included school evacuation.
- New brochure with public awareness materials of the Transmission Line was developed and distributed to the stakeholders in December 2011. Brochure contains all recommended information for each stakeholder audience as outlined in the API 1162.

NUI Transmission Line:

- The Nuiqsut Utility has four mailings to the public each year. The mailings combine information regarding our Distribution and Transmission Systems. We will include information how to tell if there is a leak in or around the Transmission Pipeline with no odor present.
- The Nuiqsut O&M Manual has a updated complete list of NSB Officials located in Section 2.2

Please be advised of the following: The above information was mailed to your office on or about October 15, 2011. Subsequently, the North Slope Borough Department of Public Works has undergone some staff and management changes.

Charlie Sakeagak, Director Public Works

Kenneth Ufkin, Manager Fuel and Gas Fields

All correspondence from this date forth should be directed to Kenneth Ufkin as I have replaced Tom Nicolos as manager of the Natural Gas Fields.

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**Attachments:**

1. NSB Barrow Gas Fields Transmission Line Public Awareness Plan.
2. Nuiqsut Operations and Maintenance Manual Revised Section 12: Public Education Program
3. Nuiqsut O&M Manual Section 2.2

Sincerely,



Kenneth Ufkin, Manager,  
Fuel/Natural Gas Fields