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February 12, 2013

Mr. Vern Meier
Vice President
US Pipelines, Field Operations
TransCanada-Northern Border, Inc.
717 Texas Avenue
Houston, TX 77002-2761

**CPF 5-2012-1016M
Closure Letter**

Dear Mr. Meier:

On September 10, 2011, a representative from the Pipeline and Hazardous Materials Safety Administration (PHMSA), pursuant to chapter 601 of 49 United States Code, conducted an on-site pipeline safety inspection of TransCanada-Northern Border (TransCanada) procedures for Alternative Maximum Operating Pressure for the Bison Pipeline in Gillette, Wyoming. As a result of the inspection, TransCanada was issued a Notice of Amendment on August 6, 2012, which proposed amendment of your procedures.

TransCanada submitted its amended procedures on September 5, 2012. My staff reviewed the amended procedures, and it appears that the inadequacies outlined in this Notice of Amendment have been corrected.

This letter is to inform you no further action is necessary and this case is now closed. Thank you for your cooperation.

Sincerely,

Chris Hoidal
Director, Western Region
Pipeline and Hazardous Materials Safety Administration

cc: PHP-60 Compliance Registry
PHP-500 C. Allen (# 132900)