

Natural Gas Pipeline Company of America LLC

November 28, 2012

By Electronic Mail

Mr. Rodrick M. Seeley
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RE: CPF No. 4-2012-1018
Natural Gas Pipeline Company of America
Response to Notice of Probable Violation, Proposed Civil Penalty and Proposed
Compliance Order (NOPV)

Dear Mr. Seeley:

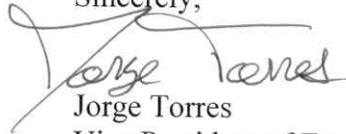
On behalf of Natural Gas Pipeline Company of America, LLC (NGPL), this correspondence provides NGPL's response to the above-referenced NOPV. With respect to the proposed civil penalty, in accordance with 49 C.F.R. Part 190.209(a)(1), NGPL agrees to pay the amount of \$122,700. Consistent with the instructions, NGPL is transmitting the funds via wire transfer in accordance with the procedures set forth in the NOPV and 49 C.F.R. Part 190.227(a). With respect to the proposed Compliance Order and in accordance with 49 C.F.R. Part 190.209(b)(1), NGPL agrees to complete the Compliance Order items upon receipt of a Final Order in the time frames requested. Indeed, #1 of the Proposed Compliance Order has already been completed. Although no date specific action is required in response to NOPV Warning Item 5, NGPL will provide additional guidance to the appropriate Operations staff relating to their responsibilities to review employee activities to determine whether procedures were effectively followed in each emergency.

NGPL appreciates the opportunity to conclude this matter. In providing this response, NGPL does not admit liability for any allegation set forth in the NOPV, other than for purposes of reaching final administrative action in this matter, pursuant to 49 C.F.R. Part 190.213(d).

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If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me at 713-369-9232 or Reji George at 713-420-5433.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Jorge Torres". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large initial "J" and a long horizontal stroke extending to the right.

Jorge Torres
Vice President of Engineering

cc: Reji George
Dwayne Burton
Mike Catt
Ken Grubb
Gary Buchler
