



U.S. Department  
of Transportation

Pipeline and Hazardous Materials  
Safety Administration

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## NOTICE OF AMENDMENT

**VIA UPS: 1Z WR2 588 03 9131 1081**

August 25, 2011

Mr. Dave Bredin  
Director of Operations  
Enstar Natural Gas Company  
401 East International Airport Rd.  
Anchorage, AK 99519-0288

**CPF 5-2011-0012M**

Dear Mr. Bredin:

On May 23, 2011, a representative of the Pipeline and Hazardous Materials Safety Administration (PHMSA), pursuant to Chapter 601 of 49 United States Code, inspected the Public Awareness Program for Enstar Natural Gas Company's (Enstar) subsidiary, Alaska Pipeline Company. The Public Awareness Program inspection was performed in Anchorage, Alaska.

On the basis of the inspection, PHMSA has identified the apparent inadequacies found within Enstar's plans or procedures, as described below:

- 1. §192.616 Public Awareness**  
**(b) The operator's program must follow the general program recommendations of API RP 1162 and assess the unique attributes and characteristics of the operator's pipeline and facilities.**

Enstar's Public Awareness Program (PAP) did not list areas where gas is not odorized. Enstar must include in their Public Awareness message where the gas is not odorized.

2. **§192.616 Public Awareness**  
**(b) The operator's program must follow the general program recommendations of API RP 1162 and assess the unique attributes and characteristics of the operator's pipeline and facilities.**

Enstar's program indicated that emergency officials are to be contacted every 2 years. Enstar must amend the PAP to indicate that emergency officials must be contacted annually.

3. **§192.616 Public Awareness**  
**(d) The operator's program must specifically include provisions to educate the public, appropriate government organizations, and persons engaged in excavation related activities on:**

Enstar's program does not list the following emergency services: Anchor Point Volunteer Fire & Rescue, Kenai Fire Department, Palmer Fire & Rescue and Houston Volunteer Fire Department (Letters were sent to each of these officials in 2010). Enstar must amend the PAP to include a complete listing of emergency officials.

4. **§192.616 Public Awareness**  
**(d) The operator's program must specifically include provisions to educate the public, appropriate government organizations, and persons engaged in excavation related activities on:**

Enstar's program states that excavators are contacted by mail if they have called for 5 locates in the preceding year. This is incorrect based on conversation with Dave Bredin and Alaska Digline. Enstar must amend its PAP to correctly indicate how the excavator mailing list is derived.

Response to this Notice

This Notice is provided pursuant to 49 U.S.C. § 60108(a) and 49 C.F.R. § 190.237. Enclosed as part of this Notice is a document entitled *Response Options for Pipeline Operators in Compliance Proceedings*. Please refer to this document and note the response options. Be advised that all material you submit in response to this enforcement action is subject to being made publicly available. If you believe that any portion of your responsive material qualifies for confidential treatment under 5 U.S.C. 552(b), along with the complete original document you must provide a second copy of the document with the portions you believe qualify for confidential treatment redacted and an explanation of why you believe the redacted information qualifies for confidential treatment under 5 U.S.C. 552(b). If you do not respond within 30 days of receipt of this Notice, this constitutes a waiver of your right to contest the allegations in this Notice and authorizes the Associate Administrator for Pipeline Safety to find facts as alleged in this Notice without further notice to you and to issue a Final Order.

If, after opportunity for a hearing, your plans or procedures are found inadequate as alleged in this Notice, you may be ordered to amend your plans or procedures to correct the inadequacies (49 C.F.R. § 190.237). If you are not contesting this Notice, we propose that you submit your amended procedures to my office within 90 days of receipt of this Notice. This period may be extended by written request for good cause. Once the inadequacies identified herein have been addressed in your amended procedures, this enforcement action will be closed.

It is requested (not mandated) that Enstar Natural Gas Company maintain documentation of the safety improvement costs associated with fulfilling this Notice of Amendment (preparation/revision of plans, procedures) and submit the total to Dennis Hinnah, Deputy Director, Western Region, Pipeline and Hazardous Materials Safety Administration. In correspondence concerning this matter, please refer to **CPF 5-2011-0012M** and send all documents to our office at 188 W. Northern Lights Blvd., Suite 520, Anchorage, AK 99503. For each document you submit, please provide a copy in electronic format whenever possible.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Dennis W. Hinnah". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

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

Enclosure: *Response Options for Pipeline Operators in Compliance Proceedings*

cc: PHP-60 Compliance Registry  
PHP-500 B. Flanders (#134582)