May 1, 2013

Shawn L. Patterson
President, Engineering & Project Development
Columbia Gas Transmission Corp.
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Dear Mr. Patterson:

On September 20-23, 2011, State inspectors from the West Virginia Public Service Commission (WV PSC), acting as agents for the Pipeline and Hazardous Materials Safety Administration (PHMSA), Office of Pipeline Safety (OPS), inspected Columbia Gas Transmission Corporation’s (Columbia) Coco Storage and pipeline facilities in Kanawha County, West Virginia. As a result of this inspection, Columbia was issued a Notice of Probable Violation and Proposed Civil Penalty (Notice) on January 24, 2013 in the above-referenced case.

This Notice alleged that Columbia was in violation of §192.465(d) by failing to take prompt remedial action to correct any deficiencies indicated by the pipe to soil monitoring of its assets 715769 and 293730.

Columbia responded to this Notice by letter, dated February 28, 2013. Columbia provided additional information and documentation to show it had complied with the regulation. Upon further review, we determined that at the time of the inspection a violation did not exist.

This letter is to inform you that PHMSA hereby withdraws the Notice and that the case is now closed.

Sincerely,

Byron Coy, PE
Director, Eastern Region
Pipeline and Hazardous Materials Safety Administration