Dear Mr. Drake:

From September 23 to 27, 2013, an inspector from Public Utilities Commission of Ohio (OH PUC), acting as agent for the Pipeline and Hazardous Materials Safety Administration (PHMSA) pursuant to Chapter 601 of 49 United States Code, inspected the Texas Eastern Transmission LP (Spectra Energy) facilities and operations and maintenance (O&M) procedures in Wheelersburg, Ohio. As a result of the inspection, PHMSA Eastern Region issued a Notice of Amendment (NOA) to Spectra Energy on June 24, 2015.

Spectra Energy requested the violation report and/or OH PUC inspection report via e-mail correspondence from Mr. Rick Kivela, Director, Operational Compliance, Spectra Energy, dated July 14, 2015. Pursuant to his request, there is no violation report, or inspection report from the OH PUC inspection associated with the case file for the NOA referenced above.

Spectra Energy responded again to the NOA by letter dated July 21, 2015. In the response, Spectra stated that, “The amended welding procedure specification will be transmitted to PHMSA Eastern Region within 60 days of receipt of the NOA, as required.”


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,

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

Cc: Pete Chace, OH PUC