

February 27, 2018

Via email and Federal Express

Mr. Robert Burrough
Director, Eastern Region
Pipeline and Hazardous Materials Safety Administration
U.S. Department of Transportation
820 Bear Tavern Road, Suite 103
West Trenton, New Jersey 08628

RE: CPF No. 1-2018-1003: Request for an Informal Meeting, and Alternative Request for a Hearing and Preliminary Statement of Issues

Dear Mr. Burrough:

In response to the above-referenced Notice of Probable Violation, Proposed Civil Penalty, and Proposed Compliance Order (Notice) issued by the Pipeline and Hazardous Materials Safety Administration (PHMSA) on January 18, 2018, Columbia Gas Transmission, LLC (Columbia) requests an informal meeting to discuss and resolve its concerns with the Notice.

In order to preserve its rights, Columbia also submits a Request for Hearing pursuant to 49 C.F.R. § 190.211. Columbia hopes that a hearing will be unnecessary, and that the parties can resolve this matter informally.

Please feel free to contact me at (403) 920-7255 if you have any questions.

Sincerely,



Sonya Kirby
Vice President, Pipeline Safety & Compliance