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**Re: Notice of Hearing, Niagara Mohawk Power Corp.
CPF No. 1-2018-3005**

Dear Mr. Lodemore and Mr. Burrough:

In accordance with 49 C.F.R. § 190.211, an informal hearing will be held regarding the Notice of Probable Violation, Proposed Civil Penalty, and Proposed Compliance Order issued to Niagara Mohawk Power Corp. by the Office of Pipeline Safety in the above-referenced case. The hearing will take place December 12, 2018, beginning at 12:30 p.m. Eastern Time.

The hearing will be at the PHMSA Eastern Region office, 820 Bear Tavern Road, Suite 103, West Trenton, NJ 08628. Upon arrival at the building, attendees will be required to present photo identification to security personnel. A contact phone number for the day of the hearing is (609) 989-2171.

At least 10 calendar days prior to the hearing (or by December 3, 2018), both parties must submit and exchange any additional written materials they intend to present at the hearing and a list of attendees. This information should be provided electronically. Materials not submitted by this date may be excluded. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to call me at (202) 366-9093.

Sincerely,

Larry White
Presiding Official

cc: Mr. Ross Turrini, SVP, Gas Process and Engineering, Niagara Mohawk Power Corp.
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