October 23, 2020

VIA ELECTRONIC MAIL TO: richard.redmond@dteenergy.com

Mr. Richard L. Redmond, Jr.
Executive Vice President
DTE Midstream Appalachia, LLC
Fifth Floor, 1000 Noble Energy Drive
Canonsburg, Pennsylvania 15317

Re: CPF No. 1-2020-011-NOPV

Dear Mr. Redmond:

Enclosed please find the Final Order issued in the above-referenced case. It makes a finding of violation and specifies actions that need to be taken to comply with the pipeline safety regulations. When the terms of the compliance order are completed, as determined by the Director, Eastern Region, this enforcement action will be closed. Service of the Final Order by electronic mail is effective upon the date of transmission as provided under 49 C.F.R. § 190.5.

Thank you for your cooperation in this matter.

Sincerely,

Alan K. Mayberry
Associate Administrator
for Pipeline Safety

Enclosures (Final Order and NOPV)

cc: Mr. Robert Burrough, Director, Eastern Region, Office of Pipeline Safety, PHMSA
    Mr. Philip Coleman, Director – Codes and Regulatory, DTE Midstream Appalachia, LLC, philip.coleman@dteenergy.com

CONFIRMATION OF RECEIPT REQUESTED
FINAL ORDER

On September 3, 2020, pursuant to 49 C.F.R. § 190.207, the Director, Eastern Region, Office of Pipeline Safety (OPS), issued a Notice of Probable Violation (Notice) to DTE Midstream Appalachia, LLC (Respondent). The Notice proposed finding that Respondent had violated the pipeline safety regulations in 49 C.F.R. Part 192. The Notice also proposed certain measures to correct the alleged violation. Respondent did not contest the allegation of violation or corrective measures.

Based upon a review of all of the evidence, pursuant to § 190.213, I find Respondent violated the pipeline safety regulation listed below, as more fully described in the enclosed Notice, which is incorporated by reference:

49 C.F.R. § 192.605(a) (Item 1) — Respondent failed to follow its manual of written procedures for conducting operations and maintenance activities and for emergency response. Specifically, Respondent failed to train appropriate operating personnel to assure they are knowledgeable of its emergency procedures, and then verify the training’s effectiveness in accordance with § 192.615(b)(2), as required by Respondent’s emergency response procedures.

This finding of violation will be considered a prior offense in any subsequent enforcement action taken against Respondent.

COMPLIANCE ACTIONS

Pursuant to 49 U.S.C. § 60118(b) and 49 C.F.R. § 190.217, Respondent is ordered to take the actions proposed in the enclosed Notice to correct the violation. The Director may grant an extension of time to comply with any of the required items upon a written request timely submitted by the Respondent and demonstrating good cause for an extension. Upon completion
of ordered actions, Respondent may request that the Director close the case. Failure to comply with this Order may result in the assessment of civil penalties under 49 C.F.R. § 190.223 or in referral to the Attorney General for appropriate relief in a district court of the United States.

The terms and conditions of this order are effective upon service in accordance with 49 C.F.R. § 190.5.

October 23, 2020

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Alan K. Mayberry
Associate Administrator
for Pipeline Safety

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Date Issued