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Washington, DC 20590

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Pipeline and Hazardous **Materials Safety Administration**

Mr. Steven J. Kean President Kinder Morgan, Inc. 1001 Louisiana St., Suite 1000 Houston, Texas 77002

Re: CPF No. 2-2015-5001S

Dear Mr. Kean:

Enclosed please find a Consent Order incorporating the terms of the Consent Agreement that was signed on May 18, 2015, between PHMSA and Plantation Pipe Line Company, a subsidiary of Kinder Morgan, Inc., in the above-referenced case. Service of the Consent Order and Consent Agreement by certified mail is deemed effective upon the date of mailing, or as otherwise provided under 49 C.F.R. § 190.5.

Thank you for your cooperation in this matter.

Sincerely,

Associate Administrator for Pipeline Safety

Enclosure

cc:

Mr. Wayne T. Lemoi, Director, Office of Pipeline Safety, Southern Region, PHMSA Mr. Thomas A. Bannigan, President & CEO, Plantation Pipe Line Company, 1100 Alderman Drive #200, Alpharetta, Georgia 30005

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U.S. DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION PIPELINE AND HAZARDOUS MATERIALS SAFETY ADMINISTRATION OFFICE OF PIPELINE SAFETY WASHINGTON, D.C. 20590

In the Matter of)	
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Plantation Pipe Line Company,)	CPF No. 2-2015-5001S
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Respondent.	
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CONSENT ORDER

By letter dated March 9, 2015, the Pipeline and Hazardous Materials Safety Administration (PHMSA) Office of Pipeline Safety issued a Notice of Proposed Safety Order (Notice) to Plantation Pipe Line Company (Respondent) in this case.

In accordance with 49 C.F.R. § 190.239, the Notice alleged that conditions exist on Respondent's 665-mile CNG pipeline in Mississippi, Alabama, Georgia, South Carolina, and North Carolina that pose a pipeline integrity risk to public safety, property, or the environment and proposed that Respondent take certain actions to address the condition.

In response to the Notice, Respondent requested an informal consultation. Respondent and PHMSA engaged in good faith settlement discussions resulting in the Consent Agreement attached to this Order that settles all of the allegations in the Notice.

Accordingly, the foregoing Consent Agreement is hereby approved and incorporated by reference into this Order. The Respondent is hereby ordered to comply with the terms of the Consent Agreement, effective immediately.

Pursuant to 49 U.S.C. 60101 *et seq.*, failure to comply with this Consent Order may result in the assessment of civil penalties of up to \$200,000 per violation per day, or in the referral of the case for judicial enforcement. The terms and conditions of this Consent Order are effective upon service in accordance with 49 C.F.R. § 190.5.

Jeffrey D. Wiese
Associate Administrator
for Pipeline Safety

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Date Issued