CONSENT ORDER


The Notice alleged that Respondent had committed violations of 49 C.F.R. Part 195 and proposed assessing a civil penalty of $784,000 for the alleged violations. The Notice also proposed ordering Respondent to take certain measures to correct the alleged violations.

In response to the Notice, Respondent requested an informal hearing and 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. and 49 C.F.R. § 190.221, failure to comply with this Consent Order may result in the assessment of civil penalties of up to $100,000 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 receipt.

Jeffrey D. Wiese
Associate Administrator
for Pipeline Safety

Date Issued