

December 4, 2020

VIA ELECTRONIC MAIL TO: terry.spencer@oneok.com

Mr. Terry Spencer
Chief Executive Officer
Viking Gas Transmission Company
100 West Fifth Street,
Tulsa, Oklahoma 74103

Re: CPF No. 3-2020-1003

Dear Mr. Spencer:

Enclosed please find the Final Order issued in the above-referenced case to Viking Gas Transmission Company. It makes one finding of violation and finds that the proposed actions to comply with the pipeline safety regulations have been completed. Therefore, this case is now 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)

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CONFIRMATION OF RECEIPT REQUESTED

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

In the Matter of)	
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Viking Gas Transmission Company, a subsidiary of ONEOK, Inc.,)	CPF No. 3-2020-1003
)	
Respondent.)	

FINAL ORDER

On September 30, 2020, pursuant to 49 C.F.R. § 190.207, the Director, Central Region, Office of Pipeline Safety (OPS), issued a Notice of Probable Violation (Notice) to Viking Gas Transmission Company (Respondent), a subsidiary of ONEOK, Inc. The Notice proposed finding that Respondent had violated a pipeline safety regulation in 49 C.F.R. Part 192 and proposed certain measures to correct the violation. Respondent did not contest the allegations of violation or corrective measures.

Based upon a review of all of the evidence, pursuant to § 190.213, I find that 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. § 192.167(a)(4) (**Item 1**) — Respondent failed to provide, for five compressor stations, emergency shutdown systems that were operable from at least two separate locations, each of which was located outside the gas area of the compressor station and near the exit gates of fenced-in stations.

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

The Director has indicated that Respondent completed the actions proposed in the Notice to correct the violation. Therefore, it is not necessary to include the proposed compliance terms in this Final Order.

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

December 4, 2020

Alan K. Mayberry
Associate Administrator
for Pipeline Safety

Date Issued