

July 27, 2020

VIA ELECTRONIC MAIL TO: kenneth_grubb@kindermorgan.com

Mr. Kenneth Grubb
Chief Operating Officer
El Paso Natural Gas Company, LLC
1001 Louisiana Street
Suite 1000
Houston, Texas 77002

Re: CPF No. 4-2020-1006

Dear Mr. Grubb:

Enclosed please find the Final Order issued in the above-referenced case. It makes findings of violation and finds that the civil penalty amount of \$123,300 has been paid in full. 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)

cc: Ms. Mary McDaniel, Director, Southwest Region, Office of Pipeline Safety, PHMSA
Mr. Jamie Hernandez, Director of Engineering, El Paso Natural Gas Company, LLC,
jamie_hernandez@kindermorgan.com

CONFIRMATION OF RECEIPT REQUESTED

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

In the Matter of)	
)	
El Paso Natural Gas Company, LLC,)	CPF No. 4-2020-1006
a subsidiary of Kinder Morgan, Inc.,)	
)	
Respondent.)	

FINAL ORDER

On June 4, 2020, pursuant to 49 C.F.R. § 190.207, the Director, Southwest Region, Office of Pipeline Safety (OPS), issued a Notice of Probable Violation (Notice) to El Paso Natural Gas Company, LLC, a subsidiary of Kinder Morgan, Inc. (Respondent). The Notice proposed finding that Respondent had violated the pipeline safety regulations in 49 C.F.R. Parts 191 and 192 and proposed a civil penalty of \$123,300. Respondent did not contest the allegations of violation and paid the proposed civil penalty on July 1, 2020. In accordance with § 190.208(a)(1), such payment authorizes the entry of this final order.

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

49 C.F.R. § 191.25(a) **(Item 1)** — Respondent failed to file safety-related condition reports for safety-related conditions that occurred on its Line 2080 between August 29, 2015 and March 17, 2019; and

49 C.F.R. § 192.619(a) **(Item 2)** — Respondent operated its Line 2080 at a pressure that exceeded the maximum allowable operating pressure established in accordance with § 192.619.

These findings of violation will be considered prior offenses in any subsequent enforcement action taken against Respondent. In accordance with 49 C.F.R. § 190.223, Respondent is assessed the proposed civil penalty amount of \$123,300, which Respondent has already paid in full.

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

July 27, 2020

Alan K. Mayberry
Associate Administrator
for Pipeline Safety

Date Issued