CERTIFIED MAIL - RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED

May 3, 2018

Mr. Rod Hanson
Senior Vice President, Operations and Maintenance
Alyeska Pipeline Service Company
3700 Centerpoint Drive
Anchorage, Alaska 99503

CPF 5-2011-5001S
Closure Letter

Dear Mr. Hanson:

On August 17, 2011, the Pipeline and Hazardous Materials Safety Administration (PHMSA) issued to Alyeska Pipeline Service Company (Alyeska) a Consent Order (Order) in the above-referenced case. The Order approved and incorporated by reference a Consent Agreement (Agreement), signed on August 12, 2011, and dated August 17, 2011. Based on our review of documentation you provided and confirmation of work you have accomplished under the Agreement, it has been determined that you have complied with the terms of the Order.

On January 8, 2011, a hazardous liquid leak was discovered at Alyeska’s Pump Station 1 facility, a part of the Trans Alaska Pipeline System. As a result of the hazardous liquid leak, PHMSA issued a Notice of Proposed Safety Order (Notice) to the operator on February 1, 2011. The Notice alleged multiple conditions existing on TAPS that would, without corrective measures, pose a pipeline integrity risk to public safety, property, or the environment. In response to the Notice, pursuant to 49 CFR 190.239(b)(2), Alyeska requested informal consultation. PHMSA and Alyeska engaged in good faith discussions regarding the Notice and agreed to enter into the above-mentioned August 17, 2011 Consent Agreement to resolve the Notice without further administrative proceedings or litigation.

Since January 2011, work progressed across TAPS to address pipeline integrity risks by performing actions identified in Section II of the Agreement (Work to be performed). Plans required by Section II were revised as new information was received in accordance with Paragraph 11 of the Agreement. Work performed and revisions in plans and schedules have been found to be acceptable by PHMSA and appear to be complete.
This case is now closed and no further action is contemplated with respect to the matters involved in this case.

Thank you for your cooperation in this matter.

Sincerely,

Kim West
Director, Western Region
Pipeline and Hazardous Materials Safety Administration

cc: PHP-Compliance Registry
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