

Mr. Thomas J. Barrett
President
Alyeska Pipeline Service Company
3700 Center Point Drive
Anchorage, AK 99503

Re: CPF No. 5-2014-5003S

Dear Mr. Barrett:

Enclosed please find a Consent Order incorporating the terms of the Consent Agreement that you signed on June 17, 2014. 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,

Jeffrey D. Wiese
Associate Administrator
for Pipeline Safety

Enclosure

cc: Mr. Chris Hoidal, Director, Western Region, PHMSA

CERTIFIED MAIL - RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED

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

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In the Matter of)	
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Alyeska Pipeline Service Company)	CPF No. 5-2014-5003S
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Respondent.)	
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CONSENT ORDER

By letter dated March 13, 2014, the Pipeline and Hazardous Materials Safety Administration (PHMSA) Office of Pipeline Safety issued a Notice of Proposed Safety Order (Notice) to Alyeska Pipeline Service Company (Respondent) in this case.

In accordance with 49 C.F.R. § 190.239, the Notice alleged that Respondent's Trans-Alaska Pipeline System (TAPS) has an apparent condition that, without corrective measures, would pose a pipeline integrity risk to public safety, property, or the environment and proposed that Respondent take certain actions to address the condition. Specifically, the Notice alleged that there are a number of vent and drain encapsulations on TAPS which may pose a risk of a leak or carrier pipe failure.

In response to the Notice, Respondent requested an informal consultation 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 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

Date Issued