

WARNING LETTER

CERTIFIED MAIL - RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED

October 6, 2016

Mr. Camilo Ruiz, PE
Sr. Mechanical Engineer
City of Glendale
800 Air Way
Glendale, CA 91201

CPF 5-2016-0018W

Dear Mr. Ruiz:

On October 26-29, 2015, a representative of the Pipeline and Hazardous Materials Safety Administration (PHMSA), pursuant to Chapter 601 of 49 United States Code, inspected the City of Glendale's Land Fill Gas Pipeline in Glendale, CA.

As a result of the inspection, it appears that you have committed a probable violation of the Pipeline Safety Regulations, Title 49, Code of Federal Regulations. The item inspected and the probable violation is:

1. **§ 192.615 Emergency plans.**
 - (c) **Each operator shall establish and maintain liaison with appropriate fire, police, and other public officials to:**
 - (1) **Learn the responsibility and resources of each government organization that may respond to a gas pipeline emergency;**
 - (2) **Acquaint the officials with the operator's ability in responding to a gas pipeline emergency;**
 - (3) **Identify the types of gas pipeline emergencies of which the operator notifies the officials; and**
 - (4) **Plan how the operator and officials can engage in mutual assistance to minimize hazards to life or property.**

At the time of the inspection the operator did not have records to indicate establishing and maintaining liaison with appropriate fire, police and other public officials and exchanging the information required in 192.615(c)(1-4).

Under 49 United States Code, § 60122, you are subject to a civil penalty not to exceed \$200,000 per violation per day the violation persists up to a maximum of \$2,000,000 for a related series of violations. For violations occurring prior to January 4, 2012, the maximum penalty may not exceed \$100,000 per violation per day, with a maximum penalty not to exceed \$1,000,000 for a related series of violations. We have reviewed the circumstances and supporting documents involved in this case, and have decided not to conduct additional enforcement action or penalty assessment proceedings at this time. We advise you to correct the item(s) identified in this letter. Failure to do so will result in The City of Glendale being subject to additional enforcement action.

No reply to this letter is required. If you choose to reply, in your correspondence please refer to **CPF 5-2016-0018W**. Be advised that all material you submit in response to this enforcement action is subject to being made publicly available. If you believe that any portion of your responsive material qualifies for confidential treatment under 5 U.S.C. 552(b), along with the complete original document you must provide a second copy of the document with the portions you believe qualify for confidential treatment redacted and an explanation of why you believe the redacted information qualifies for confidential treatment under 5 U.S.C. 552(b).

Sincerely,

Chris Hoidal
Director, Western Region
Pipeline and Hazardous Materials Safety Administration

cc: PHP-60 Compliance Registry
PHP-500 B. Brown (#149946)