

July 12, 2024

VIA ELECTRONIC MAIL TO: trusso@buckeye.com

Todd Russo
Chief Executive Officer
Buckeye Partners, LP
4200 Westheimer Road, Suite 975
Houston, Texas 77027

Re: CPF No. 1-2024-001-NOPV

Dear Mr. Russo:

Enclosed please find the Final Order issued in the above-referenced case. It makes a finding of violation and specifies actions that need to be taken to comply with the pipeline safety regulations. When the terms of the compliance order are completed, as determined by the Director, Eastern Region, this enforcement action will be closed. Service of the Final Order by e-mail is effective upon the date of transmission and acknowledgement of receipt 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: Mr. Robert Burrough, Director, Eastern Region, Office of Pipeline Safety, PHMSA
Mr. Craig Brown, Senior Director, Public Affairs and Regulatory Compliance,
Buckeye Partners, LP, cbrown@buckeye.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

Buckeye Partners, LP,

Respondent.

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CPF No. 1-2024-001-NOPV

FINAL ORDER

On March 21, 2024, pursuant to 49 C.F.R. § 190.207, the Director, Eastern Region, Office of Pipeline Safety (OPS), issued a Notice of Probable Violation and Proposed Compliance Order (Notice) to Buckeye Partners, LP (Respondent). The Notice proposed finding that Respondent had violated the pipeline safety regulations in 49 C.F.R. Part 195. The Notice also 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 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. § 195.452(a)(i)(4) (**Item 1**) — Respondent failed to conduct an adequate Emergency Flow Restricting Device (EFRD) study to determine if one is needed on a pipeline segment to protect a high consequence area in the event of a hazardous liquid release pursuant to the specific factors.

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

Compliance Actions

Pursuant to 49 U.S.C. § 60118(b) and 49 C.F.R. § 190.217, Respondent is ordered to take the actions proposed in the enclosed Notice to correct the violation. The Director may grant an extension of time to comply with any of the required items upon a written request timely submitted by the Respondent and demonstrating good cause for an extension. Upon completion of the ordered actions, Respondent may request that the Director close the case. Failure to comply with this Order may result in the assessment of civil penalties under 49 C.F.R. § 190.223 or in referral to the Attorney General for appropriate relief in a district court of the United States.

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

July 12, 2024

Alan K. Mayberry
Associate Administrator
for Pipeline Safety

Date Issued