

October 17, 2023

VIA ELECTRONIC MAIL TO: kenneth_grubb@kindermorgan.com

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

Re: CPF No. 2-2023-016-NOPV

Dear Mr. Grubb:

Enclosed please find the Final Order issued in the above-referenced case. It makes a finding of violation and assesses a civil penalty of \$78,500. When the civil penalty has been paid, 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. James A. Urisko, Director, Southern Region, Office of Pipeline Safety, PHMSA
Mr. Ronald S. Bessette, Vice President, Operations, Natural Gas Pipeline Company of America LLC, ron_bessette@kindermorgan.com
Mr. Jaime Hernandez, Director, Engineering: Codes and Standards, Natural Gas Pipeline Company of America LLC, jaime_hernandez@kindermorgan.com

CONFIRMATION OF RECEIPT REQUESTED

Failure to pay the \$78,500 civil penalty will result in accrual of interest at the current annual rate in accordance with 31 U.S.C. § 3717, 31 C.F.R. § 901.9 and 49 C.F.R. § 89.23. Pursuant to those same authorities, a late penalty charge of six percent (6%) per annum will be charged if payment is not made within 110 days of service. Furthermore, failure to pay the civil penalty may result in referral of the matter to the Attorney General for appropriate action 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.

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Alan K. Mayberry
Associate Administrator
for Pipeline Safety

Date Issued