

**Before the  
U.S. Department of Transportation  
Pipeline and Hazardous Materials Safety Administration  
Office of Pipeline Safety  
Washington, D.C.**

In the Matter of	)	
Tallgrass Energy, LP,	)	CPF No. 3-2022-060-NOPV
Respondent.	)	Notice of Probable Violation
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**NOTICE OF WITHDRAWAL OF REQUEST FOR HEARING**

This notice is to advise that Tallgrass Energy, LP (Tallgrass or the Company) and the Pipeline and Hazardous Materials Safety Administration (PHMSA) Central Region have reached an agreement that resolves the above-referenced Notice of Probable Violation (NOPV). As a result, and as set forth in the Consent Order and Agreement issued by PHMSA on July 14, 2023, Tallgrass is, without admission, withdrawing its request for hearing.

PHMSA issued the NOPV to Tallgrass on December 22, 2022, alleging four (4) violations of 49 C.F.R. Part 192 relating to class locations and valve spacing requirements. The NOPV included Proposed Compliance Order (PCO) requirements for three (3) items (NOPV Items 1, 2 and 4) and civil penalties totaling \$146,000 associated with three (3) items (NOPV Items 1, 3, and 4). Tallgrass responded to the NOPV on January 23, 2023, electing only to contest Item 2 in full and Item 4 in part on both legal and factual grounds. Without admission, Tallgrass did not contest Items 1 or 3 but requested a reduction in the civil penalty associated with Item 3.

In the spirit of cooperation and consistent with its commitment to pipeline safety, Tallgrass sought to resolve this action through informal settlement with the PHMSA Central Region. Pursuant to those discussions, Tallgrass, without admission and for purposes of settlement only, entered into a Consent Agreement with PHMSA to resolve this matter. Through the terms of the Consent Agreement, PHMSA withdrew one count associated with Item 4 and reduced the civil penalty for Items 3 and 4, resulting in a reduced civil penalty of \$116,000. Further, PHMSA has acknowledged that Tallgrass has achieved compliance with two (2) of the three (3) PCO requirements.

As required by the terms of the Consent Order and Agreement issued by PHMSA, the Company is hereby withdrawing its request for hearing.

Respectfully submitted,



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