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CERTIFIED MAIL - RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED

March 23, 2016

Mr. Charles E. Maser
President
Mid-Valley Pipeline Company
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CPF No. 4-2014-5026H

Dear Mr. Maser:

On October 13, 2014, a failure occurred on Mid-Valley Pipeline Company's (MVPC) pipeline at approximately milepost 51.5, near the town of Mooringsport in Caddo Parish, Louisiana, resulting in the release of roughly 4,500 barrels of crude oil into the environment. The accident was initially reported to the National Response Center (NRC Report # 1098151) on April 13, 2015, at approximately 13:17 local time.

PHMSA issued the Corrective Action Order (CAO) CPF 4-2014-5026H, to MVPC on October 17, 2014, requiring a pressure restriction on the affected segment, development of an integrity verification plan and mitigative actions necessary for the safe operation of the pipeline.

The cause of the failure was determined to be near neutral pH stress corrosion cracking (SCC). MVPC has included the SSC threat to this segment of the pipeline in their Integrity Management Plan for future assessments of the affected pipeline system as corrective measures designed to prevent additional in-service failures.

PHMSA monitored the actions taken within the integrity verification process and reviewed records submitted by MVPC. PHMSA has determined that MVPC has completed the requirements of the CAO.

Consequently, PHMSA has closed the CAO, CPF 4-2014-5026H.

Sincerely,

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Director, Southwest Region
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