

December 1, 2021

VIA ELECTRONIC MAIL TO: crougeau@sanarepartners.com

Mr. Charles Rougeau
President and Chief Executive Officer
Northstar Offshore Ventures, LLC
d/b/a Sanare Energy Partners, LLC
11 Greenway Plaza, Suite 2800
Houston, Texas 77046

Re: CPF No. 4-2021-033-NOPV

Dear Mr. Rougeau:

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, Southwest Region, this enforcement action will be closed. Service of the Final Order by e-mail is effective upon the date of transmission 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)

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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	)	
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Northstar Offshore Ventures, LLC,	)	CPF No. 4-2021-033-NOPV
d/b/a Sanare Energy Partners, LLC,	)	
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Respondent.	)	
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FINAL ORDER

On September 23, 2021, pursuant to 49 C.F.R. § 190.207, the Director, Southwest Region, Office of Pipeline Safety (OPS), issued a Notice of Probable Violation (Notice) to Northstar Offshore Ventures, LLC (Respondent). The same day, the Director received a read receipt via email confirming Respondent's receipt of the Notice.¹ The Notice proposed finding that Respondent had violated the pipeline safety regulations in 49 C.F.R. Part 191. The Notice also proposed certain measures to correct the violation. Respondent did not respond to the Notice, nor contest the allegation 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. § 191.17 (**Item 1**) — Respondent failed to submit a Gas Transmission/Gathering Annual Report (PHMSA Form 7100.2.1) for calendar years (CY) 2019 and 2020 to PHMSA by the regulatory deadlines as required by § 191.17.²

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

¹ Email Receipt, CPF. No. 4-2021-033-NOPV (September 23, 2021) (on file with PHMSA).

² PHMSA notes that for the same calendar years, Respondent submitted annual reports under § 195.49 for its hazardous liquid pipeline facilities (PHMSA Form 7100.1.1).

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 violations. 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 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.

December 1, 2021

Alan K. Mayberry
Associate Administrator
for Pipeline Safety

Date Issued