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WARNING LETTER

CERTIFIED MAIL - RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED

December 20, 2007

Mr. James Barnum
Vice President, Pipeline Standards and Services
Chevron Pipe Line Company
Rm C382A
4800 Fournance Place
Bellaire, TX 77401-2324

CPF 5-2007-5045W

Dear Mr. Barnum:

In July and August 2007, a representative of the Pipeline and Hazardous Materials Safety Administration (PHMSA), pursuant to Chapter 601 of 49 United States Code, inspected your crude and products pipeline systems in Rangely, Colorado and Salt Lake City, Utah.

As a result of the inspection, it appears that you have committed probable violations of the Pipeline Safety Regulations, Title 49, Code of Federal Regulations. The items inspected and the probable violations are:

1. §195.404 Maps and Records.

- (c) **Each operator shall maintain the following records for the periods specified;**
- (3) **A record of each inspection and test required by this subpart shall be maintained for at least 2 years or until the next inspection or test is performed, whichever is longer.**

- 1a. Chevron Pipe Line Company (CPL) performed a hydrotest of breakout tank 103 at the Rangely station following a bottom replacement in June 2006. However, CPL did not have a record of the hydrotest as required by 195.404(c)(3) and

API 653, Section 6.8.1 at the time of the inspection. API 653, Section 12.3.1.1, specifies a 24-hour hydrotest period following major repairs to a tank. Following the inspection, CPL submitted notes from a CPL employee that evidenced the hydrotest water level on July 6, 2006. However, the notes did not show evidence of the time duration for the hydrotest.

- 1b. CPL performed an external inspection per API 653, Section 6.3.2 in CY 2004 on breakout tank 141 at Salt Lake City. However, CPL does not have a record of the inspection per 195.404(c)(3) and API 653, Section 6.8.1. CPL did have an electronic file that they believed was the record of the inspection, but were not able to open it.

Under 49 United States Code, § 60122, you are subject to a civil penalty not to exceed \$100,000 for each violation for each day the violation persists up to a maximum of \$1,000,000 for any related series of violations. We have reviewed the circumstances and supporting documents involved in this case, and have decided not to conduct additional enforcement action or penalty assessment proceedings at this time. We advise you to correct the item(s) identified in this letter. Failure to do so will result in Chevron Pipe Line Company being subject to additional enforcement action.

No reply to this letter is required. If you choose to reply, in your correspondence please refer to **CPF 5-2007-5045W**. Be advised that all material you submit in response to this enforcement action is subject to being made publicly available. If you believe that any portion of your responsive material qualifies for confidential treatment under 5 U.S.C. 552(b), along with the complete original document you must provide a second copy of the document with the portions you believe qualify for confidential treatment redacted and an explanation of why you believe the redacted information qualifies for confidential treatment under 5 U.S.C. 552(b).

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Chris Hoidal", is written over a horizontal line.

Chris Hoidal
Director, Western Region
Pipeline and Hazardous Materials Safety Administration

cc: PHP-60 Compliance Registry
PHP-500 C. Allen (#118869, #118870)