

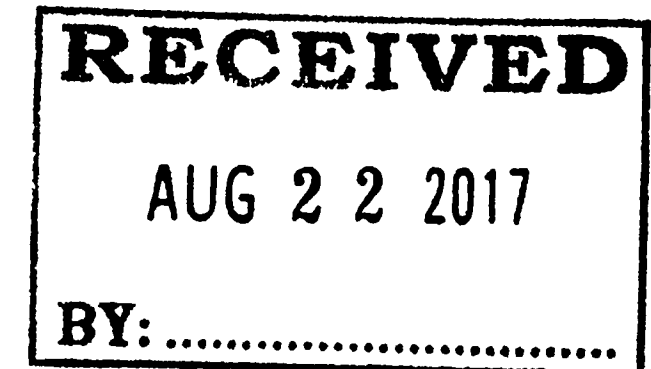
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Re: Letter CPF 5-2017-5017W

Dear Mr. Nguyen,

The Kuparuk Transportation Company (“KTC”) has reviewed Pipeline and Hazardous Materials Safety Administration’s July 7, 2017 letter regarding 49 CFR § 195.583 (What must I do to monitor atmospheric corrosion control?) and 49 CFR § 195.581 (Which pipelines must I protect against atmospheric corrosion and what coating material may I use?).

KTC appreciates the correspondence, and is taking appropriate steps to ensure current and future compliance with 49 CFR § 195.583 and 49 CFR § 195.581.

With respect to 49 CFR § 195.583(b), KTC has updated its record keeping procedures for atmospheric corrosion inspections. With respect to 49 CFR § 195.581, KTC has reviewed the facilities at issue and believes that it is compliant pursuant to subpart (c), which states:

Except portions of pipelines in offshore splash zones or soil-to-air interfaces, you need not protect against atmospheric corrosion any pipeline for which you demonstrate by test, investigation, or experience appropriate to the environment of the pipeline that corrosion will-

- (1) Only be a light surface oxide; or
- (2) Not affect the safe operation of the pipeline before the next scheduled inspection.

Sincerely,

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