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Dear Karen and Dwayne:

On September 29, 2017, the U. S. Department of Transportation/ Pipeline and Hazardous Materials Safety Administration (PHMSA) awarded The Center for Rural Development (The Center) a technical assistance grant to deliver the AWR 302: Pipeline Security for Rural Communities course to requesting jurisdictions across the nation. The award, specifically Award # 693JK31742005, was for the delivery of this course to fourteen communities that were on the wait list for the training. This is the Semi-Annual Progress Report for this award.

The Center, working with The All Hazards Training Center of the University of Findlay (UF), initiated the project upon receipt of the notice of the award. The Center and UF prioritized the communities requesting the training in the order they were placed on the wait list. Working from the wait list, The Center and UF contacted the State Administrative Agency from each requesting state and identified the following dates (if known) and locations (if known) for the training. During this reporting period, there were 8 deliveries of AWR 302 with a total of 153 completions. The following table details all trainings to date plus those that are scheduled at this time:

Delivery Location	Status	Date	Completions
Lawrenceville, GA	Complete	2/15/2018	19
Valparaiso, IN	Complete	2/22/2018	18
Aberdeen, SD	Complete	6/14/2018	22
Midland, TX	Complete	6/20/2018	36
Friedens, PA	Complete	7/28/2018	16
Rocky Mount, VA	Complete	8/10/2018	25
Rocky Mount, VA	Complete	8/11/2018	13
Christiansburg, VA	Complete	8/13/2018	11
Lockhart, TX	Complete	8/18/2018	13
Rancho Mirage, CA	Complete	8/28/2018	17
Clay, NY	Scheduled	10/26/2018	TBD
Bismarck, ND	Scheduled	11/2/2018	TBD
Jasper, TX	Scheduled	2/23/2019	TBD

To summarize, The Center, to date, has completed 10 deliveries of AWR 302 with a total of 190 completions. There are 4 projected deliveries remaining which represents a minimum of 90 completions. Three of these remaining deliveries are scheduled, leaving one yet to be scheduled. The knowledge increase for participants has averaged 34.42% as determined from comparing the pre and post tests. This was a substantial increase over the first report and is well above the proposed 20% increase in knowledge, skills and abilities. The average cost per completion is currently \$414.10.

The Center requested a one year no-cost extension to the period of performance. This was approved on September 28, 2018. The closing date for this award is now September 28, 2019.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me at [llawson@centertech.com](mailto:llawson@centertech.com) or by phone at 606-677-6000.

Sincerely,



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