

March 23, 1971

Mr. D. J. Hendrickson
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Indiana Public Service Commission
901 State Office Building
Indianapolis, Indiana 46204

Dear Mr. Hendrickson:

This is in reply to your letter of March 8, 1971, concerning the telephonic notice provided for in Section 191.5(a), when any leak requires the taking out of service of any segment of transmission pipeline.

In a situation such as you described, where a segment of line is taken out of service after other facilities have been installed for the purpose of maintaining continuity of service, the taking out of service would have to be considered as scheduled maintenance. In that case a telephonic notice of the incident would not be required as specified in Section 191.5(a)(2). A report (telephonic or 20-day) of the incident would still be necessary if required under any of the other provisions of Part 191.

Thank you for your interest in pipeline safety.

Sincerely,

Joseph C. Caldwell
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Office of Pipeline Safety