

NOTICE OF AMENDMENT

CERTIFIED MAIL - RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED

July 15, 1993

Mr. R. L. Robinson
President
Columbia Gas Transmission Corporation
P.O. Box 1273
Charleston, WV 25325

CPF No. 33105M

Dear Mr. Robinson:

On October 19, 1992, a representative of the Public Utilities Commission of Ohio, acting as an agent for the Central Region, Office of Pipeline Safety (OPS), pursuant to Section 14(c) of the Natural Gas Pipeline Safety Act, 49 U.S.C. app. § 1671 et. seq. (NGPSA), conducted an onsite pipeline safety inspection of your pipeline facilities and records at Clinton, Pennsylvania.

As a result of the inspection of your written operating and maintenance procedures, it appears that Columbia Gas has inadequate procedures, as noted below:

1. § 192.605 Essentials of operating and maintenance plan.

§ 192.605(a) requires that each operator shall include, in its operating and maintenance plan, instructions for employees covering operating and maintenance procedures during normal operations and repairs.

§ 192.745 states that each transmission line valve that might be required during any emergency must be inspected and partially operated at intervals not exceeding 15 months, but at least once each calendar year.

Columbia Gas Transmission's operating and maintenance procedures do not define a definite timeframe in which to perform remedial action on critical valves if the required

inspection determines remedial action is required.

This letter serves to provide you with notice of the inadequate procedures and the response options as prescribed under Section 13 of the NGPSA and § 190.237, Title 49 C.F.R. The operator is allowed thirty (30) days after receipt of such notice to submit written comments or request an informal hearing. After considering the material presented, the Office of Pipeline Safety is required to notify the operator of the required amendment or withdraw the notice proposing the amendment. If you do not desire to contest the notice, you must prepare the appropriate amendments and provide a copy to the Director, Central Region, within thirty (30) days of receipt of this notice.

Sincerely,

Ivan A. Huntoon
Director, Central Region
Office of Pipeline Safety