

**NOTICE OF AMENDMENT**

**CERTIFIED MAIL - RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED**

January 25, 1995

Mr. Dave Schafer  
Vice President, Operations  
Northern Border Pipeline Company  
P.O. Box 3330  
Omaha, Nebraska 68103-0330

CPF No. 35106M

Dear Mr. Schafer:

On August 23-24, 1994, a representative of the Iowa Utilities Board, acting as an agent for interstate pipelines for the Central Region, Office of Pipeline Safety (OPS), pursuant to Chapter 601 of 49 United States Code, conducted an onsite pipeline safety inspection of the Northern Border Pipeline Company 30 inch pipeline facility and records at Marshalltown, Iowa.

As a result of the inspection, it appears that you have committed a probable violation, as noted below, of pipeline safety regulations (Title 49, Code of Federal Regulations, Part 199).

The items inspected and the probable violation is:

**Section 199.7(a) requires that the written anti-drug plan contain the methods and procedures for compliance with all the requirements set out in 49 CFR Part 199 and 49 CFR Part 40.**

The following requirement of Part 199 is missing from the Northern Border Pipeline Company Anti-Drug Plan:

- a. Definition of an "accident", as required by §199.3.

When it is found that an operator's procedures are inadequate,

49 C.F.R. § 190.237 provides that the operator, after notice and opportunity for hearing may be required to amend its plans and procedures. This letter serves to provide you with the notice of the inadequate procedures and the response options as prescribed under § 190.237. The operator is allowed thirty (30) days after receipt of such notice to submit written comments or request a 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, please provide the revised procedures within thirty (30) days of receipt of this notice.

Sincerely,

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