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**Pipeline and Hazardous
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Mr. Robert Cronk, Jr.
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Re: CPF No. 4-2006-5027

Dear Mr. Cronk:

Enclosed is the Final Order issued by the Acting Associate Administrator for Pipeline Safety in the above-referenced case. It makes findings of violation and finds that you have completed the actions specified in the Notice of Probable Violation and Proposed Compliance Order to comply with the pipeline safety regulations. This case is now closed. Your receipt of the Final Order constitutes service under 49 C.F.R. § 190.5.

Sincerely,

James Reynolds
Pipeline Compliance Registry
Office of Pipeline Safety

Enclosure

VIA CERTIFIED MAIL – RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED

**DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION
PIPELINE AND HAZARDOUS MATERIALS SAFETY ADMINISTRATION
OFFICE OF PIPELINE SAFETY
WASHINGTON, DC 20590**

In the Matter of)	
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Williams Field Services,)	CPF No. 4-2006-5027
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Respondent)	

FINAL ORDER

On April 17 through 21, 2006, pursuant to 49 U.S.C. § 60117, representatives of the Pipeline and Hazardous Materials Safety Administration, Office of Pipeline Safety (OPS) conducted an on-site pipeline safety inspection of Respondent's Integrity Management Program (IMP) and related records in Tulsa, Oklahoma. As a result of the inspection, the Director, Southwest Region, issued to Respondent, by letter dated May 31, 2006, a Notice of Probable Violation and Proposed Compliance Order (Notice). In accordance with 49 C.F.R. § 190.207, the Notice proposed finding that Respondent had violated 49 C.F.R. § 195.452(f)(6) and proposed ordering Respondent to take certain measures to correct the alleged violations.

Respondent responded to the Notice by letter dated June 21, 2006. Respondent did not contest the allegations of violation and committed to complying with the proposed compliance order. By letter dated July 31, 2006, Respondent submitted documentation to evidence compliance with the proposed compliance order. Respondent did not request a hearing, and therefore has waived its right to one.

FINDINGS OF VIOLATION

In its Response, Respondent did not contest the violations alleged in the Notice. Accordingly, I find that Respondent violated the following provisions of 49 C.F.R. Part 195, concerning preventative and mitigative measures, as more fully described in the Notice:

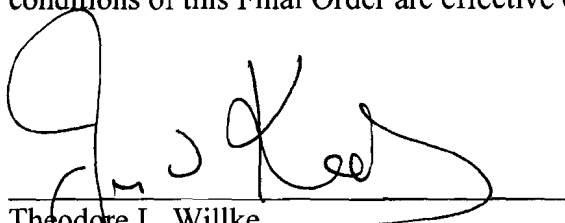
49 C.F.R. § 195.452(f)(6) and (i)(3) – failing to evaluate the leak detection capabilities for each pipeline segment covered by Respondent's IMP and modify the capabilities, as necessary, to protect a high consequence area (HCA); and

49 C.F.R. § 195.452(f)(6) and (i)(4) – failing to determine the need for emergency flow restricting devices for each pipeline segment covered by Respondent's IMP to protect an HCA in the event of a pipeline release.

These findings of violation will be considered prior offenses in any subsequent enforcement action taken against Respondent.

COMPLIANCE ORDER

The Notice proposed a compliance order with respect to the violations. Under 49 U.S.C. § 60118(a), each person who engages in the transportation of hazardous liquids by pipeline or who owns or operates a hazardous liquid pipeline facility is required to comply with the applicable safety standards established under Chapter 601. The Director, Southwest Region, has reviewed the corrective action taken by Respondent and has indicated that the corrective action has achieved compliance with respect to these violations. Accordingly, since compliance has been achieved, it is not necessary to include the compliance terms in this order. The terms and conditions of this Final Order are effective on receipt.



Theodore L. Willke
Acting Associate Administrator
for Pipeline Safety

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