

LETTER OF CONCERN

CERTIFIED MAIL - RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED

September 1, 1999

Mr. Dan Martin
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East Tennessee Natural Gas Company
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CPF No: 29104C

Dear Mr. Martin:

On 19 - 23 April 1999, representatives of the Southern Region, Office of Pipeline Safety, pursuant to Chapter 601 of 49 United States Code, conducted an onsite pipeline safety inspection of your pipeline records at Kingsport, Tennessee and pipeline facilities in Tennessee and Virginia. The review disclosed some areas that are cause for concern. We hope you find these areas worthy of your attention.

Please consider the following:

Right of Way Clearance

The Right of Way (ROW) on the upstream side of the New River in Virginia is overgrown to the extent that conditions on it cannot be observed during the monthly aerial patrols. The overgrown section of ROW is between an apartment building and housing area.

We hope you will consider these areas of concern and take action to maintain and further improve your present level of safety. If we can answer any questions or be of any help, please call us at (404) 562-3530.

Please refer to CPF 29104C in any correspondence or communication on this matter.

Sincerely,

Frederick A. Joyner
Director, Southern Region
Office of Pipeline safety

cc: Compliance Officer, OPS Headquarters
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