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Mr. Dennis Fothergill
Manager, Pipeline Safety Department
Oklahoma Corporation Commission
P.O. Box 52000-2000
Oklahoma City, OK 73152-2000

Dear Mr. Fothergill:

Thank you for your letter of October 9, 1998, transmitting a letter from James A. Henry of the Koch Pipeline Company LP. His letter requests your approval of Koch's plan to replace steel pipe between breakout tanks and transfer pumps at its Cushing Station with polyethylene pipe. We are treating Mr. Henry's letter as the notification required under 49 CFR 195.8 before any person may transport hazardous liquid through pipe other than steel.

As required by §195.8, we have considered the proposed transportation to determine if it would be unduly hazardous. We note that, in addition to meeting Part 195 requirements, the proposed plastic pipeline will be designed and constructed in accordance with applicable plastic pipe regulations in 49 CFR Part 192. With this understanding, and since you have no objection to the proposal, we have determined that the installation and operation of the proposed plastic piping as described in Mr. Henry's letter would not be unduly hazardous.

If we can be of further assistance, please contact me or Mr. Furrow at (202) 366-4559.

Sincerely,

Richard B. Felder
Associate Administrator for Pipeline Safety

cc: James A. Henry
Regulations Coordinator
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