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PIPELINE SAFETY

2006 Natural Gas Allocation(Scoring) Document



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TO: STATE PIPELINE SAFETY PROGRAM MANAGERS IN STATES PARTICIPATING IN
THE NATURAL GAS PIPELINE SAFETY GRANT PROGRAM

The Pipeline Safety Grant allocation for calendar year 2006 reflects a 100 percent performance-based formula and the performance criteria of 100 points. The breakout between the field evaluation and selected information in the certification attachments will be 50-50 percent as used in the previous year. New state programs will automatically be funded at a score of 90 the first three years assuming they are making satisfactory progress in meeting certification requirements-this will provide an adequate cushion for these programs to get established. Programs that are reinstated will be funded at a score of 90 for two years.

The calendar year 2006 appropriation for the combined natural gas and hazardous liquid grant program is **\$19,526,000**. Pipeline Safety experienced an across the board percentage cut of **\$195,270** in the grant program. Therefore, the 2006 Pipeline Safety Grant Program was reduced to **\$19,330,730**. Congress determined **\$1,010,000** of the pipeline safety grant funds be used to support one-call damage prevention notification systems. The total amount assigned to the **Natural Gas** program is **\$15,967,873**. It has been allocated by a method designed to reflect the degree to which a state has met certain goals established by this office. Numeric points are assigned for achieving specific levels of performance based on the information in the 2006 certification packages and the results of the Regional Office program evaluation. A list of the point criteria for Natural Gas (Attachment 1) and a list of state point assignments for the Natural Gas program (Attachment 2) are enclosed. A chart (Attachment 3) showing a list of the Natural Gas request, state points, allocations, and percentages of total program funding are enclosed.

The payment agreement will be generated by you through the FedSTAR process. This process is available now and will allow you to print two copies of the payment agreement. Please have both copies signed by an authorized official and return the two copies to Pipeline Safety for signature and we will return an executed copy to you for your records. **The two copies of the payment agreement are due no later than May 31, 2006 to:**

**Ms. Gwendolyn M. Hill
Office of Pipeline Safety, PHP-50
U.S. Department of Transportation
400 Seventh Street, S.W. Room 2103
Washington, D.C. 20590**

Thank you for your participation in the Pipeline Safety Grant Program.

Sincerely,

Stacey L. Gerard Associate Administrator for Pipeline Safety

Enclosures

**CY 2006 PIPELINE SAFETY GRANT ALLOCATION FORMULA
STATE PERFORMANCE CRITERIA (Natural Gas)**

I. RATING FROM STATE EVALUATION (50 PERCENT OF SCORE)

II. SELECTED INFORMATION FROM STATE CERTIFICATION/AGREEMENT (50 PERCENT OF SCORE)

A. Extent of Intrastate Safety Jurisdiction (12 POINTS)
(Certification Attachment 1)

N = Number of operator types over which state has jurisdiction
M = Number of operator types located in state

60105 State: $N/M \times 12$ 60106 State: $N/M \times 12 \times .5$

Distribution

1. Private
2. Municipal
3. Master Meter
4. LP Gas
5. LNG Plants

Transmission

6. Intrastate
7. Direct Sales

Other

8. Gathering Lines (jurisdictional)
9. Offshore Facilities (state waters)

B. Inspector Qualifications (8 POINTS)
(Certification Attachment 7, 7a)

- 8 – Highest percentage of inspectors in categories I and II
4 – Highest percentage of inspectors in categories I, II and III
0 – Highest percentage of inspectors in categories III, IV and V

C. Number of Inspection Person-Days (9 POINTS)
(Certification Attachment 2)

- 9 – Meets or exceeds the recommended number of inspection person-days
5 – Comes within 25 percent of meeting the recommended number of inspection person-days (achieved 75 percent or above of recommended number).
3 – Meets less than 75 percent but at least 50 percent of the recommended number of inspection person-days (achieved 50 to 75 percent of above of (delete “above of”) recommended number).
0 – Meets less than 50 percent of recommended number of inspection person-days (achieved under 50 percent of recommended number).

D. State Adoption of Maximum Civil Penalty Requirement (2 POINTS)

(Certification Attachment 8, Section I, Item 1)

- 2 – Adopted \$100,000/day; up to \$1,000,000
- 1 – Taking steps to adopt (has filed draft legislation)
- 0 – Not Adopted

E. State Adoption of Applicable Federal Regulations¹ (8 POINTS)

(Certification Attachment 8, Section I, Items 2, 3, 4, 5, and 6)

- 8 – Adopted within 24 months of effective date (or two general sessions of the state legislature, whichever is longer)
- 5 – Taking steps to adopt (has filed draft legislation)
- 3 – Adopted all regulations within required time frame except one -- where continuing opposition has blocked adoption and state is not presently attempting to adopt.
- 0 – Not adopted within 36 months of effective date.

F. One-Call System Minimum Requirements under Part 198² (8 POINTS)

(Certification Attachment 8, Section II)

- 1.5 – Mandatory coverage of areas having pipeline facilities
- 0.5 – Qualification for operation of one-call system
- 1.5 – Mandatory excavator notification of one-call center
- 0.5 – State determination whether calls to center are toll free
- 1.5 – Mandatory intrastate pipeline operator participation
- 1.0 – Mandatory operator response to notification
- 1.0 – Mandatory notification of excavators/public
- 0.5 – Civil penalties/injunctive relief substantially same as DOT (\$100,000/\$1,000,000)

G. State Attendance at NAPSR Regional Meeting (3 POINTS)

(Certification Attachment 8, Section III)

- 3 – Attended full time (lead rep or alternate pipeline program staff)
- 1 – Attended less than full time
- 0 – No one attended

H. Penalty Points

- 2 – State CY 2006 Certification not received at OPS HQ by due date
- 4 – points assigned if over 1 month late

¹ Applicable Federal regulation for five year period will be listed in certification attachments

² Established under state law by statute, regulation, license, certification, order, or any combination of these legal means

2006 NATURAL GAS STATE SCORES

(FROM PERFORMANCE EVALUATION AND CERTIFICATION/AGREEMENT ATTACHMENTS)

STATE	2004 PERFORMANCE EVALUATION	2006 CERT./AGREEMENT ATTACHMENTS	TOTAL SCORE
ALABAMA	100	50	100
ARIZONA	99	50	99.5
ARKANSAS	100	50	100
CALIFORNIA_PUC	94	40	87
COLORADO	100	50	100
CONNECTICUT	100	50	100
DELAWARE	100	44	94
FLORIDA_LPG	96	42	90
FLORIDA_PSC	93	50	96.5
GEORGIA	100	50	100
IDAHO	100	37	87
ILLINOIS	100	50	100
INDIANA	100	49	99
IOWA	100	50	100
KANSAS	100	50	100
KENTUCKY	100	48	98
LOUISIANA	100	50	100
MAINE	100	50	100
MARYLAND	98	50	99
MASSACHUSETTS	98	50	99
MICHIGAN	99	50	99.5
MINNESOTA	100	50	100
MISSISSIPPI	100	39	89
MISSOURI	99	47	96.5
MONTANA	100	40	90
NEBRASKA	98	46	95
NEVADA	100	50	100
NEW HAMPSHIRE	96	46	94
NEW JERSEY	96	50	98
NEW MEXICO	83	50	91.5
NEW YORK	100	50	100
NORTH CAROLINA	100	49	99
NORTH DAKOTA	100	47	97
OHIO	100	48	98
OKLAHOMA	100	48	98
OREGON	100	46	96

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PENNSYLVANIA	98	45	94
PUERTO RICO	100	42	92
RHODE ISLAND	100	47	97
SOUTH CAROLINA	100	42	92
SOUTH DAKOTA	97	50	98.5
TENNESSEE	100	50	100
TEXAS	100	46	96
UTAH	100	50	100
VERMONT	96	46	94
VIRGINIA	100	49	99
VIRGINIA AGREEMENT	100	44	94
WASHINGTON	100	44	94
WASHINGTON DC	100	50	100
WEST VIRGINIA	97	47	95.5
WISCONSIN	96	48	96
WYOMING	100	50	100

NATURAL GAS - STATE POINTS

(FROM CERTIFICATION/AGREEMENT ATTACHMENTS)

STATE	JURISDICTION (12)	INSPECTOR QUAL. (8)	NUMBER OF INSPECTION PERSON DAYS (9)	STATE ADOPTION OF MAX CIVIL PENALTY REGS. (2)	STATE ADOPTION OF APPLICABLE FED REGS. (8)	ONE-CALL NOTIF. REQMNTS. (8)	ATTENDANCE AT FED/STATE MEETING (3)	PENALTY POINTS (-)	TOTAL
ALABAMA	12	8	9	2	8	8	3	-	50
ARIZONA	12	8	9	2	8	8	3	-	50
ARKANSAS	12	8	9	2	8	8	3	-	50
CALIFORNIA_PUC	8	8	5	2	8	8	1	-	40
COLORADO	12	8	9	2	8	8	3	-	50
CONNECTICUT	12	8	9	2	8	8	3	-	50
DELAWARE	6	8	9	2	8	8	3	-	44
FLORIDA_LPG	12	4	5	2	8	8	3	-	42
FLORIDA_PSC	12	8	9	2	8	8	3	-	50
GEORGIA	12	8	9	2	8	8	3	-	50
IDAHO	9	0	9	1	8	7	3	-	37
ILLINOIS	12	8	9	2	8	8	3	-	50
INDIANA	12	8	9	2	8	7	3	-	49
IOWA	12	8	9	2	8	8	3	-	50
KANSAS	12	8	9	2	8	8	3	-	50
KENTUCKY	10	8	9	2	8	8	3	-	48
LOUISIANA	12	8	9	2	8	8	3	-	50
MAINE	12	8	9	2	8	8	3	-	50
MARYLAND	12	8	9	2	8	8	3	-	50
MASSACHUSETTS	12	8	9	2	8	8	3	-	50
MICHIGAN	12	8	9	2	8	8	3	-	50
MINNESOTA	12	8	9	2	8	8	3	-	50
MISSISSIPPI	12	0	9	0	8	7	3	-	39

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MISSOURI	10	8	9	1	8	8	3	-	47
MONTANA	12	8	0	2	8	7	3	-	40
NEBRASKA	12	4	9	2	8	8	3	-	46
NEVADA	12	8	9	2	8	8	3	-	50
NEW HAMPSHIRE	12	4	9	2	8	8	3	-	46
NEW JERSEY	12	8	9	2	8	8	3	-	50
NEW MEXICO	12	8	9	2	8	8	3	-	50
NEW YORK	12	8	9	2	8	8	3	-	50
NORTH CAROLINA	12	8	9	2	8	7	3	-	49
NORTH DAKOTA	12	8	9	2	8	7	1	-	47
OHIO	12	8	9	2	8	6	3	-	48
OKLAHOMA	12	8	9	2	8	6	3	-	48
OREGON	12	4	9	2	8	8	3	-	46
PENNSYLVANIA	7	8	9	2	8	8	3	-	45
PUERTO RICO	12	0	9	2	8	8	3	-	42
RHODE ISLAND	9	8	9	2	8	8	3	-	47
SOUTH CAROLINA	12	8	9	2	8	0	3	-	42
SOUTH DAKOTA	12	8	9	2	8	8	3	-	50
TENNESSEE	12	8	9	2	8	8	3	-	50
TEXAS	12	4	9	2	8	8	3	-	46
UTAH	12	8	9	2	8	8	3	-	50
VERMONT	12	4	9	2	8	8	3	-	46
VIRGINIA	11	8	9	2	8	8	3	-	49

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VIRGINIA AGR.	6	8	9	2	8	8	3	-	44
WASHINGTON	12	8	3	2	8	8	3	-	44
WASHINGTON DC	12	8	9	2	8	8	3	-	50
WEST VIRGINIA	12	8	9	0	8	7	3	-	47
WISCONSIN	10	8	9	2	8	8	3	-	48
WYOMING	12	8	9	2	8	8	3	-	50

2006 NATURAL GAS PIPELINE SAFETY GRANT ALLOCATION

STATE	REQUEST	STATE POINTS	ALLOCATION	PERCENT OF FUNDING
ALABAMA	\$544,060	100	\$468,880	43.091%
ARIZONA	\$633,499	99.5	\$543,230	42.875%
ARKANSAS	\$269,534	100	\$232,288	43.091%
CALIFORNIA_PUC	\$899,379	87	\$674,336	37.489%
COLORADO	\$273,697	100	\$235,876	43.091%
CONNECTICUT	\$363,000	100	\$312,839	43.091%
DELAWARE	\$51,813	94	\$41,974	40.505%
FLORIDA_LPG	\$53,000	90	\$41,109	38.782%
GEORGIA	\$475,739	100	\$409,999	43.091%
IDAHO	\$82,300	87	\$61,707	37.489%
ILLINOIS	\$471,450	100	\$406,303	43.091%
INDIANA	\$231,090	99	\$197,165	42.660%
IOWA	\$336,876	100	\$290,325	43.091%
KANSAS	\$354,526	100	\$305,536	43.091%
KENTUCKY	\$261,226	98	\$220,626	42.229%
LOUISIANA	\$640,069	100	\$551,621	43.091%
MAINE	\$110,550	100	\$95,274	43.091%
MARYLAND	\$234,738	99	\$200,277	42.660%
MASSACHUSETTS	\$599,292	99	\$511,314	42.660%
MICHIGAN	\$341,855	99.5	\$293,143	42.875%
MINNESOTA	\$800,435	100	\$689,827	43.091%
MISSISSIPPI	\$221,500	89	\$169,894	38.351%
MISSOURI	\$349,210	96.5	\$290,421	41.583%
MONTANA	\$24,085	90	\$18,681	38.782%
NEBRASKA	\$116,562	95	\$95,432	40.936%
NEVADA	\$399,180	100	\$344,020	43.091%
NEW HAMPSHIRE	\$261,942	94	\$212,201	40.505%
NEW JERSEY	\$466,956	98	\$394,381	42.229%
NEW MEXICO	\$491,438	91.5	\$387,529	39.428%
NEW YORK	\$1,620,300	100	\$1,396,400	43.091%
NORTH CAROLINA	\$241,500	99	\$206,047	42.660%
NORTH DAKOTA	\$35,074	97	\$29,321	41.798%
OHIO	\$605,254	98	\$511,185	42.229%
OKLAHOMA	\$487,212	98	\$411,490	42.229%
OREGON	\$281,514	96	\$232,909	41.367%

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STATE	REQUEST	STATE POINTS	ALLOCATION	PERCENT OF FUNDING
PENNSYLVANIA	\$519,418	94	\$420,784	40.505%
PUERTO RICO	\$125,000	92	\$99,109	39.644%
RHODE ISLAND	\$80,310	97	\$67,136	41.798%
SOUTH CAROLINA	\$216,940	92	\$172,006	39.644%
SOUTH DAKOTA	\$49,200	98.5	\$41,765	42.444%
TENNESSEE	\$364,150	100	\$313,830	43.091%
TEXAS	\$1,542,247	96	\$1,275,967	41.367%
UTAH	\$221,904	100	\$191,240	43.091%
VERMONT	\$83,763	94	\$67,857	40.505%
VIRGINIA	\$619,020	99	\$528,146	42.660%
WASHINGTON	\$660,764	94	\$535,289	40.505%
WASHINGTON DC	\$136,787	100	\$117,885	43.091%
WEST VIRGINIA	\$343,500	95.5	\$282,712	41.152%
WISCONSIN	\$315,390	96	\$260,936	41.367%
WYOMING	\$127,233	100	\$109,651	43.091%
Totals	\$19,035,480		\$15,967,873	