

**LETTER OF CONCERN**

September 7, 1999

**CERTIFIED MAIL - RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED**

Mr. William White  
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CPF No. 39509C

Dear Mr. White:

On June 7-10 and July 7-9, 1999, a representative of the Central Region, Office of Pipeline Safety, pursuant to Chapter 601 of 49 United States Code, conducted an onsite pipeline safety inspection of your manuals and records at the Conway, KS Station and facilities located within the states of Missouri and Kansas.

The inspection and review disclosed the following items of concern. I hope you will give these items your attention.

1. At the point where Kinder Morgan's Line #110 crosses the Santa Fe Railroad at MP 72.7379 the line markers (both sides of the railroad tracks) did not have the operator name and contact phone number.
2. At Kinder Morgan's Main Line Valve #25 the rectifier box inside the fenced in valve setting displays the name of the previous owner/operator of the facility.
3. At Kinder Morgan's Hoover Road test station at MP 89.3941 the test station stand was completely broken off at ground level.
4. At Kinder Morgan's 2 pump stations inspected on Line #110 (Bushton, & Hoyt), at Kinder Morgan's Plattensburg Meter Station (Line #110), at Kinder Morgan's Chapman future pump station (Line #110) and at several mainline valve settings the piping needs a general re-painting. Although there was not any evidence of pitting or metal loss, there were small to large size flakes of paint that had fallen from the piping and rust had formed on exposed surfaces. The rust was significant on portions of the piping at the Minneapolis

Junction take-off where an area of insulation had been removed from piping. If this condition is allowed to continue, the concern is that general and/or localized corrosion may develop on the piping.

These items were discussed with your representatives during the inspection. They indicated that the items would receive attention.

The Office of Pipeline Safety appreciates your attention in this matter and good faith efforts to promote continued safety in your organization.

If we can answer any questions or be of any assistance, please give us a call at (816) 426-2654. Thank you for your staff's cooperation during this scheduled inspection.

Sincerely,

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