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**TO: STATE PIPELINE SAFETY PROGRAM MANAGERS IN STATE'S PARTICIPATING IN THE
PIPELINE SAFETY GRANT PROGRAM**

The Pipeline Safety Grant allocation for calendar year 2014 reflects a 100 percent performance-based formula and the performance criteria of 100 points. The Program Evaluation and the Progress Report scores will each represent 50 percent of the State's Allocation score as was done 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 Progress Report 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. Also as a general note, all indirect costs associated to a grant reimbursement shall be limited to 20% of the total direct costs.

The total allocation to states for the gas and liquid programs is \$47,601,368. The total amount assigned to the **Natural Gas** program is \$43,718,626. 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 2013 Base Grant Progress Report and the results of the Annual Program Evaluation. A list of the point criteria for the **Natural Gas** program (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 (Notice of Award) will be generated by you through the FedSTAR process. Those states with an allocation of \$100,000 or more will also generate the "Certification Regarding Lobbying" form.

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

Sincerely,

For Jeffrey D. Wiese, Associate Administrator for Pipeline Safety

Enclosures

CY 2014 PIPELINE SAFETY GRANT ALLOCATION FORMULA
STATE PERFORMANCE CRITERIA (Natural Gas)

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

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

A. Extent of Intrastate Safety Jurisdiction (12 Points)

(Progress Report Attachment 1)

N = Number of operator types over which state has jurisdiction

M = Number of operator types located in state

60105 State: $N/M \times 12$

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

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

Other

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

B. Inspector Qualifications (8 POINTS)

(Progress Report 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)

(Progress Report 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 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)
(Progress Report Attachment 8, Section I, Item 1)

- 2 -Adopted \$100,000/day; up to \$1,000,000 or Adopted but Different Amounts
- 1 -Taking steps to adopts (has filed draft legislation)
- 0 -Not Adopted

E. State Adoption of Applicable Federal Regulations¹ (8 POINTS)
(Progress Report 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)
(Progress Report Attachment 8 Section III)

- 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

G. State Attendance at NAPS Regional Meeting (3 POINTS)
(Progress Report 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 Progress Report not received at PHMSA HQ by due date
- 4 - points assigned if over 1 month late

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

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

STATE SCORES

(FROM PERFORMANCE EVALUATION AND PROGRESS REPORT ATTACHMENTS)

| STATE | PROGRAM EVALUATION | PROGRESS REPORT ATTACHMENTS | TOTAL SCORE |
|----------------|--------------------|-----------------------------|-------------|
| ALABAMA | 99.10 | 48.00 | 97.55 |
| ARIZONA | 99.10 | 50.00 | 99.55 |
| ARKANSAS | 100.00 | 46.00 | 96.00 |
| ARKANSAS_OG | 97.80 | 50.00 | 98.90 |
| CALIFORNIA_PUC | 86.80 | 43.00 | 86.40 |
| COLORADO | 95.70 | 50.00 | 97.85 |
| CONNECTICUT | 100.00 | 50.00 | 100.00 |
| DELAWARE | 97.20 | 50.00 | 98.60 |
| FLORIDA_PSC | 97.30 | 45.00 | 93.65 |
| GEORGIA | 96.10 | 48.00 | 96.05 |
| IDAHO | 100.00 | 48.00 | 98.00 |
| ILLINOIS | 99.10 | 50.00 | 99.55 |
| INDIANA | 96.90 | 49.00 | 97.45 |
| IOWA | 98.70 | 50.00 | 99.35 |
| KANSAS | 97.40 | 48.00 | 96.70 |
| KENTUCKY | 98.10 | 46.00 | 95.05 |
| LOUISIANA | 99.10 | 48.00 | 97.55 |
| MAINE | 89.10 | 50.00 | 94.55 |
| MARYLAND | 94.70 | 50.00 | 97.35 |
| MASSACHUSETTS | 93.30 | 49.00 | 95.65 |
| MICHIGAN | 97.50 | 48.00 | 96.75 |
| MINNESOTA | 100.00 | 50.00 | 100.00 |
| MISSISSIPPI | 94.50 | 47.50 | 94.75 |
| MISSOURI | 95.60 | 46.00 | 93.80 |
| MONTANA | 97.20 | 45.50 | 94.10 |
| NEBRASKA | 97.70 | 42.00 | 90.85 |
| NEVADA | 99.50 | 50.00 | 99.75 |
| NEW HAMPSHIRE | 95.80 | 50.00 | 97.90 |
| NEW JERSEY | 96.90 | 50.00 | 98.45 |
| NEW MEXICO | 99.60 | 49.00 | 98.80 |
| NEW YORK | 96.30 | 50.00 | 98.15 |
| NORTH CAROLINA | 100.00 | 50.00 | 100.00 |
| NORTH DAKOTA | 95.50 | 46.00 | 93.75 |
| OHIO | 99.20 | 49.50 | 99.10 |
| OKLAHOMA | 100.00 | 48.00 | 98.00 |
| OREGON | 100.00 | 44.00 | 94.00 |
| PENNSYLVANIA | 97.30 | 50.00 | 98.65 |
| PUERTO RICO | 55.40 | 40.00 | 67.70 |
| RHODE ISLAND | 97.30 | 50.00 | 98.65 |
| SOUTH CAROLINA | 100.00 | 48.00 | 98.00 |
| SOUTH DAKOTA | 100.00 | 50.00 | 100.00 |

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|-----------------------|--------|-------|--------|
| TENNESSEE | 99.10 | 48.00 | 97.55 |
| TEXAS | 96.50 | 50.00 | 98.25 |
| UTAH | 92.80 | 48.00 | 94.40 |
| VERMONT | 84.20 | 50.00 | 92.10 |
| VIRGINIA ¹ | 100.00 | 49.00 | 99.00 |
| WASHINGTON | 100.00 | 50.00 | 100.00 |
| WASHINGTON DC | 95.60 | 50.00 | 97.80 |
| WEST VIRGINIA | 78.80 | 49.50 | 88.90 |
| WISCONSIN | 94.40 | 45.50 | 92.70 |
| WYOMING | 99.10 | 46.00 | 95.55 |

Notes:

1 State Programs that have both a 60105 and a 60106 program. These states have had their 60105 and 60106 funding combined and shown as the figure represented in the table, therefore budget, request and allocation figures represent funding for both programs.

2 Within the first 3 years of a new program a minimum score of 90% shall be given, and will not be subject to the 3-year average spending requirement.

STATE SCORES

(FROM PROGRESS REPORT 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 FEDS/ STATE MEETING (3) | PENALTY POINTS (-) | TOTAL |
|----------------|----------------------|------------------------|---|--|---|---------------------------------------|--|-----------------------|-------|
| ALABAMA | 12 | 8 | 9 | 0 | 8 | 8 | 3 | 0 | 48 |
| ARIZONA | 12 | 8 | 9 | 2 | 8 | 8 | 3 | 0 | 50 |
| ARKANSAS | 12 | 4 | 9 | 2 | 8 | 8 | 3 | 0 | 46 |
| ARKANSAS_OG | 12 | 8 | 9 | 2 | 8 | 8 | 3 | 0 | 50 |
| CALIFORNIA_PUC | 7 | 8 | 9 | 0 | 8 | 8 | 3 | 0 | 43 |
| COLORADO | 12 | 8 | 9 | 2 | 8 | 8 | 3 | 0 | 50 |
| CONNECTICUT | 12 | 8 | 9 | 2 | 8 | 8 | 3 | 0 | 50 |
| DELAWARE | 12 | 8 | 9 | 2 | 8 | 8 | 3 | 0 | 50 |
| FLORIDA_PSC | 9 | 8 | 9 | 0 | 8 | 8 | 3 | 0 | 45 |
| GEORGIA | 12 | 8 | 9 | 0 | 8 | 8 | 3 | 0 | 48 |
| IDAHO | 12 | 8 | 9 | 0 | 8 | 8 | 3 | 0 | 48 |
| ILLINOIS | 12 | 8 | 9 | 2 | 8 | 8 | 3 | 0 | 50 |
| INDIANA | 12 | 8 | 9 | 1 | 8 | 8 | 3 | 0 | 49 |
| IOWA | 12 | 8 | 9 | 2 | 8 | 8 | 3 | 0 | 50 |
| KANSAS | 12 | 8 | 9 | 0 | 8 | 8 | 3 | 0 | 48 |
| KENTUCKY | 12 | 8 | 5 | 2 | 8 | 8 | 3 | 0 | 46 |
| LOUISIANA | 12 | 8 | 9 | 0 | 8 | 8 | 3 | 0 | 48 |
| MAINE | 12 | 8 | 9 | 2 | 8 | 8 | 3 | 0 | 50 |
| MARYLAND | 12 | 8 | 9 | 2 | 8 | 8 | 3 | 0 | 50 |
| MASSACHUSETTS | 12 | 8 | 9 | 1 | 8 | 8 | 3 | 0 | 49 |
| MICHIGAN | 12 | 8 | 9 | 0 | 8 | 8 | 3 | 0 | 48 |
| MINNESOTA | 12 | 8 | 9 | 2 | 8 | 8 | 3 | 0 | 50 |
| MISSISSIPPI | 12 | 8 | 9 | 0 | 8 | 7.5 | 3 | 0 | 47.5 |

Attachment 2

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|----------------|----|---|---|---|---|-----|---|---|------|
| MISSOURI | 10 | 8 | 9 | 0 | 8 | 8 | 3 | 0 | 46 |
| MONTANA | 12 | 8 | 5 | 2 | 8 | 7.5 | 3 | 0 | 45.5 |
| NEBRASKA | 12 | 8 | 9 | 2 | 0 | 8 | 3 | 0 | 42 |
| NEVADA | 12 | 8 | 9 | 2 | 8 | 8 | 3 | 0 | 50 |
| NEW HAMPSHIRE | 12 | 8 | 9 | 2 | 8 | 8 | 3 | 0 | 50 |
| NEW JERSEY | 12 | 8 | 9 | 2 | 8 | 8 | 3 | 0 | 50 |
| NEW MEXICO | 12 | 8 | 9 | 1 | 8 | 8 | 3 | 0 | 49 |
| NEW YORK | 12 | 8 | 9 | 2 | 8 | 8 | 3 | 0 | 50 |
| NORTH CAROLINA | 12 | 8 | 9 | 2 | 8 | 8 | 3 | 0 | 50 |
| NORTH DAKOTA | 12 | 4 | 9 | 2 | 8 | 8 | 3 | 0 | 46 |
| OHIO | 12 | 8 | 9 | 2 | 8 | 7.5 | 3 | 0 | 49.5 |
| OKLAHOMA | 12 | 8 | 9 | 0 | 8 | 8 | 3 | 0 | 48 |
| OREGON | 12 | 8 | 5 | 0 | 8 | 8 | 3 | 0 | 44 |
| PENNSYLVANIA | 12 | 8 | 9 | 2 | 8 | 8 | 3 | 0 | 50 |
| PUERTO RICO | 12 | 4 | 5 | 0 | 8 | 8 | 3 | 0 | 40 |
| RHODE ISLAND | 12 | 8 | 9 | 2 | 8 | 8 | 3 | 0 | 50 |
| SOUTH CAROLINA | 12 | 8 | 9 | 0 | 8 | 8 | 3 | 0 | 48 |
| SOUTH DAKOTA | 12 | 8 | 9 | 2 | 8 | 8 | 3 | 0 | 50 |
| TENNESSEE | 12 | 8 | 9 | 0 | 8 | 8 | 3 | 0 | 48 |
| TEXAS | 12 | 8 | 9 | 2 | 8 | 8 | 3 | 0 | 50 |
| UTAH | 12 | 8 | 9 | 0 | 8 | 8 | 3 | 0 | 48 |
| VERMONT | 12 | 8 | 9 | 2 | 8 | 8 | 3 | 0 | 50 |
| VIRGINIA | 11 | 8 | 9 | 2 | 8 | 8 | 3 | 0 | 49 |
| WASHINGTON | 12 | 8 | 9 | 2 | 8 | 8 | 3 | 0 | 50 |
| WASHINGTON DC | 12 | 8 | 9 | 2 | 8 | 8 | 3 | 0 | 50 |
| WEST VIRGINIA | 12 | 8 | 9 | 2 | 8 | 7.5 | 3 | 0 | 49.5 |
| WISCONSIN | 10 | 8 | 9 | 0 | 8 | 7.5 | 3 | 0 | 45.5 |
| WYOMING | 12 | 4 | 9 | 2 | 8 | 8 | 3 | 0 | 46 |

PIPELINE SAFETY GRANT ALLOCATION

| STATE | REQUEST | STATE POINTS | ALLOCATION | PERCENT OF FUNDING | WITHOUT SUSPENSION OF STATE FUNDING REQUIREMENT |
|----------------|-------------|--------------|-------------|--------------------|---|
| ALABAMA | \$1,740,060 | 97.55 | \$1,248,479 | 71.75% | \$1,248,479 |
| ARIZONA | \$1,682,262 | 99.55 | \$1,168,265 | 71.75% | \$1,168,265 |
| ARKANSAS | \$801,871 | 96.00 | \$575,336 | 71.75% | \$538,375 |
| CALIFORNIA_PUC | \$5,701,879 | 86.40 | \$4,091,053 | 71.75% | \$4,091,053 |
| COLORADO | \$737,302 | 97.85 | \$529,008 | 71.75% | \$529,008 |
| CONNECTICUT | \$1,239,063 | 100.00 | \$889,018 | 71.75% | \$889,018 |
| DELAWARE | \$145,320 | 98.60 | \$104,266 | 71.75% | \$98,426 |
| GEORGIA | 1,832,880 | 96.05 | \$1,315,077 | 71.75% | \$1,315,077 |
| IDAHO | \$328,405 | 98.00 | \$235,628 | 71.75% | \$235,628 |
| ILLINOIS | \$2,650,900 | 99.55 | \$1,902,000 | 71.75% | \$1,902,000 |
| INDIANA | \$1,521,422 | 97.45 | \$1,091,608 | 71.75% | \$1,091,608 |
| IOWA | \$1,178,400 | 99.35 | \$845,493 | 71.75% | \$845,493 |
| KANSAS | \$945,761 | 96.70 | \$678,576 | 71.75% | \$678,576 |
| KENTUCKY | \$521,180 | 95.05 | \$373,942 | 71.75% | \$356,407 |
| LOUISIANA | \$1,435,210 | 97.55 | \$1,029,752 | 71.75% | \$1,029,752 |
| MAINE | \$523,815 | 94.55 | \$375,833 | 71.75% | \$375,833 |
| MARYLAND | \$634,193 | 97.35 | \$455,028 | 71.75% | \$455,028 |
| MASSACHUSETTS | \$1,797,630 | 95.65 | \$1,289,785 | 71.75% | \$1,289,785 |
| MICHIGAN | \$1,208,825 | 96.75 | \$867,322 | 71.75% | \$867,322 |
| MINNESOTA | \$1,970,673 | 100 | \$1,413,942 | 71.75% | \$1,413,942 |
| MISSISSIPPI | \$565,427 | 94.75 | \$405,689 | 71.75% | \$405,689 |
| MISSOURI | \$842,700 | 93.80 | \$604,630 | 71.75% | \$604,630 |

Attachment 3

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|-------------------------|-------------|--------|-------------|--------|-------------|
| MONTANA | \$269,811 | 94.10 | \$193,587 | 71.75% | \$193,587 |
| NEBRASKA | \$376,369 | 90.85 | \$270,042 | 71.75% | \$270,042 |
| NEVADA | \$886,050 | 99.75 | \$635,734 | 71.75% | \$501,118 |
| NEW HAMPSHIRE | \$755,037 | 97.90 | \$541,733 | 71.75% | \$541,733 |
| NEW JERSEY | \$1,132,659 | 98.45 | \$812,674 | 71.75% | \$812,674 |
| NEW MEXICO | \$905,624 | 98.80 | \$649,778 | 71.75% | \$649,778 |
| NEW YORK | \$4,264,000 | 98.15 | \$3,059,386 | 71.75% | \$3,059,386 |
| NORTH CAROLINA | \$658,277 | 100.00 | \$472,308 | 71.75% | \$472,308 |
| NORTH DAKOTA | \$292,670 | 93.75 | \$209,988 | 71.75% | \$209,988 |
| OHIO | \$1,647,724 | 99.10 | \$1,182,229 | 71.75% | \$1,182,229 |
| OKLAHOMA | \$1,722,024 | 98.00 | \$1,235,538 | 71.75% | \$1,235,538 |
| OREGON | \$627,840 | 94.00 | \$450,470 | 71.75% | \$428,434 |
| PENNSYLVANIA | \$2,183,956 | 98.65 | \$1,566,971 | 71.75% | \$1,566,971 |
| PUERTO RICO | \$378,354 | 67.70 | \$271,466 | 71.75% | \$271,466 |
| RHODE ISLAND | \$120,944 | 98.65 | \$86,777 | 71.75% | \$63,440 |
| SOUTH DAKOTA | \$410,468 | 100.00 | \$294,508 | 71.75% | \$294,508 |
| TENNESSEE | \$744,827 | 97.55 | \$534,407 | 71.75% | \$534,407 |
| TEXAS | \$6,897,847 | 98.25 | \$4,949,150 | 71.75% | \$4,949,150 |
| UTAH | \$422,500 | 94.40 | \$303,140 | 71.75% | \$267,876 |
| VERMONT | \$207,870 | 92.10 | \$149,145 | 71.75% | \$149,145 |
| VIRGINIA ⁽¹⁾ | \$2,240,104 | 99.00 | \$1,607,257 | 71.75% | \$1,607,257 |
| WASHINGTON | \$2,077,937 | 100.00 | \$1,490,903 | 71.75% | \$1,490,903 |
| WASHINGTON DC | \$411,153 | 97.80 | \$294,999 | 71.75% | \$294,999 |
| WEST VIRGINIA | \$600,400 | 88.90 | \$430,782 | 71.75% | \$430,782 |
| WISCONSIN | \$506,460 | 92.70 | \$363,381 | 71.75% | \$363,381 |
| WYOMING | \$240,481 | 95.55 | \$172,543 | 71.75% | \$172,543 |

Note: Without Suspension of State Funding Requirement the State must spend at least their 3-Year average CY2011-CY2013

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2 Within the first 3 years of a new program a minimum score of 90% shall be given, and will not be subject to the 3-year average spending requirement.