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TO: Michigan Intrastate Pipeline Operators

FROM: David J. Chislea, Manager
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DATE: October 2, 2017

SUBJECT: 2018 Gas Safety Inspections and Program Updates

Enclosed for your information are the following:

1. A copy of the inspection forms the Staff will be using for 2018. Please note that the rules listed on the forms are the minimum rules to be inspected in 2018. In addition to the 2018 first and second half inspections, Staff may also conduct additional specialized inspections in 2018, including but not limited to:
 - a. Transmission Integrity Management Program – Inspections will be conducted for all operators of transmission pipelines using the federal inspection form. If operators do not have any covered segments based on the results of Protocol A of the federal inspection form, the integrity management inspection will end. If covered segments exist, the inspection will continue using the entire federal inspection form. This will be a detailed review and will require multiple weeks.
2. The proposed inspection schedules for 2019 and 2020. These schedules are provided for information only; minor adjustments to the schedule can be expected.
3. An updated MPSC Contact list for telephonically reporting gas incidents (dated January 26, 2017).
4. An updated list of general contact information for the MPSC Gas Safety Staff (dated July 5, 2017). **Please do not use this list for reporting incidents.**

The Annual Report forms for both distribution and transmission/gathering line operators can be found on PHMSA's website at: <http://phmsa.dot.gov/pipeline/library/forms>. Annual Report forms for all covered operators are due by March 15, 2018. Distribution operators should also be reminded that all Mechanical Fitting Failure Report forms for 2017 are also due by March 15,

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2018. These forms should be electronically submitted to PHMSA at:
<http://portal.phmsa.dot.gov/pipeline>.

The Michigan Gas Safety Standards (MGSS) require that any report filed with PHMSA must be concurrently filed with the MPSC. The Gas Operations Section encourages paperless submission of any and all correspondence directly to our e-mail address: MPSC-Operations@michigan.gov.

Alternatively, correspondence can still be mailed to the following address:

Michigan Public Service Commission
PO Box 30221
Lansing, MI 48909

The MPSC offices are located at the following address:

Michigan Public Service Commission
7109 West Saginaw Hwy
Lansing, MI 48917

When there are changes regarding which Staff has inspection responsibility for a company/unit that will be addressed in a specific notice to those companies at a later date. If unsure of who has inspection responsibility for your company/unit, please inquire.

Please provide the Staff with an updated contact list for your company. You can provide this electronically to MPSC-Operations@michigan.gov or mail it to the attention of the Gas Operations Section at the Lansing office address.

This information has been provided to expedite inspections. If you have questions regarding the attached information, please contact Ms. Eleanor Mundorf at mundorfe@michigan.gov or at 734-429-9901.

Enclosures

cc: Gas Safety Engineers