

II. Advisory Bulletin ADB-10-01

To: Owners or Operators of Hazardous Liquid Pipelines.

Subject: Leak Detection on Hazardous Liquid Pipelines.

Advisory: The Pipeline and Hazardous Materials Safety Administration (PHMSA) is advising and reminding hazardous liquid pipeline operators of the importance of prompt and effective leak detection capability in protecting public safety and the environment. In order to ensure the safe and environmentally sound operation of their hazardous liquid pipelines, the operating plans and procedures required by the pipeline safety regulations should include the performance of an engineering analysis to determine if a computer-based leak detection system is necessary to improve leak detection performance and line balance processes. If an operator that does not have a computer-based leak detection system performs an engineering analysis and determines that such a system would not improve leak detection performance and line balance processes, the operator should perform the periodic line balance calculation process outlined herein and take any other necessary actions required to ensure public safety and protect the environment.

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION**Pipeline and Hazardous Materials Safety Administration**

[Docket No. PHMSA-2009-0377]

Pipeline Safety: Request To Modify Special Permit

AGENCY: Pipeline and Hazardous Materials Safety Administration (PHMSA); DOT.

ACTION: Notice; Reopening of Comment Period on the Kern River Gas Transmission Company's Request to Modify Condition 35 of a Previously Issued Special Permit.

SUMMARY: PHMSA is reopening the comment period for its Federal Register Notice issued on November 17, 2009 (73 FR 59342), that gave notice of a request from the Kern River Gas Transmission Company (Kern River), for modification of an existing special permit, PHMSA-2007-29078, granted to the company on

November 8, 2008. Kern River seeks modification of Condition 35 of the special permit, which concerns the external coating on its gas pipeline.

DATES: Submit any comments regarding this special permit modification request by February 9, 2010.

ADDRESSES: Comments should reference the docket number for this special permit and may be submitted in the following ways:

- *E-Gov Web Site:* <http://www.Regulations.gov>. This site allows the public to enter comments on any Federal Register notice issued by any agency.
- *Fax:* 1-202-493-2251.
- *Mail:* Docket Management System: U.S. Department of Transportation, Docket Operations, M-30, West Building Ground Floor, Room W12-140, 1200 New Jersey Avenue, SE., Washington, DC 20590.
- *Hand Delivery:* DOT Docket Management System; U.S. Department of Transportation, Docket Operations, M-30, West Building Ground Floor, Room W12-140, 1200 New Jersey Avenue, SE., Washington, DC 20590 between 9 a.m. and 5 p.m., Monday through Friday, except Federal holidays.

Instructions: Identify the docket number, PHMSA-2007-29078, at the beginning of your comments. If you submit your comments by mail, please submit two copies. To receive confirmation that PHMSA received your comments, include a self-addressed stamped postcard. Internet users may submit comments at <http://www.regulations.gov>. *Note:* Comments are posted without changes or edits to <http://www.regulations.gov>, including any personal information provided.

Privacy Act Statement: Anyone can search the electronic form of comments received in response to any of our dockets by the name of the individual submitting the comment (or signing the comment, if submitted on behalf of an association, business, labor union, etc.). DOT's complete Privacy Act Statement was published in the **Federal Register** on April 11, 2000 (65 FR 19477).

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SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: PHMSA is reopening the comment period for 14 days from date of publication to allow for public review of documents recently added to the docket.

Authority: 49 U.S.C. 60118(c)(1) and 49 CFR 1.53.

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION**Pipeline and Hazardous Materials Safety Administration**

[Docket No. PHMSA-2010-0016]

Pipeline Safety: Requests for Special Permit

AGENCY: Pipeline and Hazardous Materials Safety Administration (PHMSA); DOT.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: PHMSA is publishing this notice of special permit requests we have received from two pipeline operators, seeking relief from compliance with certain requirements in the Federal pipeline safety regulations. This notice seeks public comments on these requests, including comments on any safety or environmental impacts. At the conclusion of the 30-day comment period, PHMSA will evaluate each request and determine whether to grant or deny a special permit.

DATES: Submit any comments regarding these special permit requests by February 25, 2010.

ADDRESSES: Comments should reference the docket numbers for the specific special permit requests and may be submitted in the following ways:

- *E-Gov Web Site:* <http://www.Regulations.gov>. This site allows the public to enter comments on any Federal Register notice issued by any agency.
- *Fax:* 1-202-493-2251.
- *Mail:* Docket Management System: U.S. Department of Transportation, Docket Operations, M-30, West Building Ground Floor, Room W12-140, 1200 New Jersey Avenue, SE., Washington, DC 20590.
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Instructions: You should identify the docket number for the special permit request you are commenting on at the beginning of your comments. If you submit your comments by mail, please