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BONNIE DOONE APARTMENTS

IN RE: INSTITUTION OF INVESTIGATION

Respondent

DOCKET 33708

ORDER INSTITUTING INVESTIGATION

BY THE COMMISSION:

Between May 2026 and present, the Commission's Gas Pipeline Safety Division ("GPS") conducted standard investigations of the natural gas distribution facilities at Bonnie Doone Apartments ("Bonnie Doone") in Athens, Alabama. As a master meter operator, Bonnie Doone is subject to the jurisdiction of the Commission pursuant to Ala. Code § 37-4-80 et seq. During the May 13, 2026, correction inspection on Bonnie Doone Apartments, GPS Staff found that 14 violations of the safety provisions in 49 C.F.R. § 192 and GPS Rules were not corrected. The following items were found to still be in non-compliance, which may pose a risk to public safety, system integrity, and regulatory compliance if not addressed promptly:

1. § 192.615(a)(2) – Emergency plans;
2. § 192.615(b)(1) – Emergency plans;
3. § 192.615(b)(2) – Emergency plans;
4. § 192.615(c)(1-4) – Emergency plans;
5. § 192.614(b) – Damage prevention program;
6. § 192.805(h) – Qualification program;
7. § 192.625(f)(1)(2) – Odorization of gas;
8. § 192.465(a) – External corrosion control: Monitoring and remediation;
9. § 192. Appendix D Section II – Criteria for cathodic protection and determination of measurements;
10. § 192.465(d) – External corrosion control: Monitoring and remediation;
11. § 192.481(a)(2) – Atmospheric corrosion control: Monitoring;
12. § 192.479(a) – Atmospheric corrosion control: General;
13. § 192.616(j)(1-5) – Public Awareness; and
14. GPS Rule 15 – Calibration of Testing and Equipment.

Having considered the above violations and Bonnie Doone's failure to respond, we find that an investigation into its operations is warranted, pursuant to Ala. Code §§ 37-4-83 and 37-4-87, to determine whether Bonnie Doone should be fined and/or steps should be taken to cease the company's operation.

IT IS SO ORDERED BY THE COMMISSION that Bonnie Doone Apartments shall appear at a hearing to be held on Wednesday, July 29, 2026, at 9:30 a.m. in the Commission's Carl L. Evans, Chief Administrative Law Judge Hearing Complex, at 100 North Union Street, Room 900, Montgomery, Alabama 36104, to demonstrate good cause why it should not be fined and/or steps should not be taken to cease the company's operation.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that jurisdiction in this cause is hereby retained for the issuance of any further order or orders as this Commission may find just and reasonable in the premises.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that this Order shall be effective as of the date hereof.

DONE at Montgomery, Alabama, this 8th day of July, 2026.

ALABAMA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION



Cynthia Lee Almond, President



Jeremy H. Oden, Commissioner



Chris V. Beeker III, Commissioner

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