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SPIRE ALABAMA, INC.,

Petitioner

IN RE: Petition for Additional Waiver

DOCKET U-5300

ORDER GRANTING ADDITIONAL EXTENSION

BY THE COMMISSION:

Pursuant to letter issued on March 3, 2009, the Alabama Public Service Commission (the "APSC" or the "Commission") granted a waiver requested by Alabama Gas Corporation (now Spire Alabama, Inc.) which allowed the company to provide unodorized natural gas to Hunt Oil in Tuscaloosa, Alabama through 1200' of 12" steel pipe having 400 psig MAOP and a 370 psig operating pressure. (See Attachment 1) Said waiver from the odorization requirements of 49 CFR §192.625 was subsequently approved by the Pipeline and Hazardous Materials Safety Administration ("PHMSA") pursuant to letter dated May 1, 2009. (See Attachment 2)

By letter submitted on or about March 26, 2019, Spire Alabama, Inc. ("Spire Alabama") sought an additional waiver from the odorization requirements of 49 CFR §192.625 to provide unodorized natural gas to Hunt Oil in Tuscaloosa through an extension off of the existing pipeline for which the 2009 waiver discussed above was granted. The extension for which the additional waiver is being requested is approximately 95' of 6" nominal, 0.280 wall thickness, X-52 grade pipe having the same MAOP (400 psig) and operating pressure (370 psig) as the existing pipeline for which the 2009 waiver was granted. As was the case with the existing 1200' line, the additional waiver for the extension is being requested by Spire Alabama due to the fact that the normally required odorant has a poisoning effect on Hunt Oil's hydrogen production process. The conditions which Spire Alabama agreed to adhere to with respect to the waiver request for the extension are identical to those imposed in the waiver granted for the 1200' existing line in 2009 and are set forth below:

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- The line will be installed, welded, and tested according to 49 CFR Part 192 requirements.
- This line will be located on private property owned by Hunt Oil.
- The class location is 3. The only structures within 220 yards of the pipeline are industrial warehouse type facilities. There are no residences located within 220 yards of the line. No customers other than Hunt Oil will be served off this line.
- The line will be marked with pipeline markers and will fall under Spire's damage prevention program.
- After installation, the line will be leak surveyed with flame ionization equipment every three months, which is the same survey condition for the existing 12" line.
- The line will be under cathodic protection.

Given Spire Alabama's commitment to adhere to the conditions set forth above and in consideration of Spire Alabama's history of compliance with the aforementioned conditions for the existing 1200' line, the Commission issued a letter on April 15, 2019, which approved the additional waiver requested by Spire Alabama for the extension discussed herein. (See Attachment 3 for the vicinity sketch of the extension line) The Commission emphasized, however, that its approval was conditioned on Spire Alabama's continuing strict adherence to the six conditions set forth above.

In addition, the Commission's April 15, 2019, letter was directed to Mr. Alan K. Mayberry, the Associate Administrator for Pipeline Safety at PHMSA. The Commission sought PHMSA's concurrence with the additional waiver approved for Spire Alabama in said letter.

By return letter dated May 14, 2019, Mr. Mayberry communicated that PHMSA had no objection to the additional waiver approved by the Commission for Spire Alabama in its letter issued on April 15, 2019. Mr. Mayberry further noted that the additional waiver for Spire was effective upon the Commission's receipt of his May 14, 2019, letter.

IT IS, THEREFORE, ORDERED BY THE COMMISSION, That the additional waiver for Spire Alabama, Inc. discussed in detail herein is hereby approved.

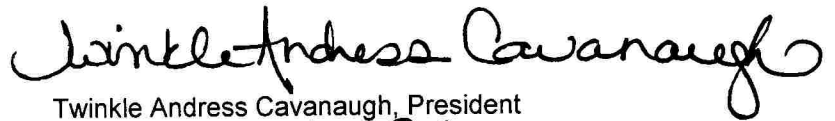
IT IS FURTHER ORDERED BY THE COMMISSION, That the additional waiver for Spire Alabama, Inc. discussed in detail herein is effective retroactively to May 14, 2019.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED BY THE COMMISSION, That jurisdiction in this cause is hereby retained for the issuance of any further order or orders as may appear to be just and reasonable in the premises.

IT IS SO ORDERED BY THE COMMISSION.

DONE at Montgomery, Alabama, this 18th day of June, 2019.

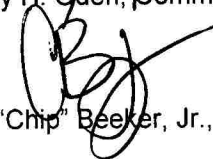
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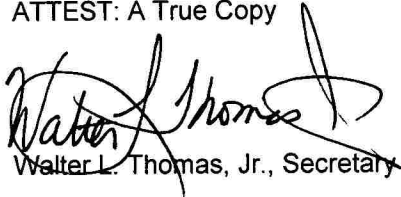


Jeremy H. Oden, Commissioner



Chris "Chip" Becker, Jr., Commissioner

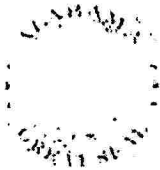
ATTEST: A True Copy



Walter L. Thomas, Jr., Secretary

Attachment 1

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STATE OF ALABAMA
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GAS PIPELINE SAFETY

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WALTER L. THOMAS, JR.
SECRETARY

Mr. Jeffrey D. Wiese
Associate Administrator for Pipeline Safety
U.S. Department of Transportation
Pipeline and Hazardous Materials Safety Administration
1200 New Jersey Avenue, SE
Second Floor, East Building
Washington, DC 20590

Dear Mr. Wiese:

This Commission has been asked by Alabama Gas Corporation, 605 Richard Arrington, Jr. Boulevard North, Birmingham, Alabama 35203-2707, Phone: (205) 326-8177, to grant a waiver of the odorization requirements of 49 Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) paragraph 192.625 (2003).

We have reviewed the information submitted to us by Alabama Gas Corporation and have subsequently granted the requested waiver. This waiver was granted on the following provisions submitted by Alabama Gas Corporation:

1. The line will be installed, welded and tested according to CFR Part 192 requirements.
2. The line will be located on private property owned by Hunt Oil Company. (Sanders Ferry Road, formerly a Tuscaloosa public street, has been vacated and no longer has public access.)
3. The class location is 3. The only structures within 220 yards of the pipeline are industrial warehouse type facilities and Hunt Oil's office building which is within 100 yards. There are no residences located within 220 yards of the line. No customers other than Hunt Oil will be served off this line.
4. The line will be marked with pipeline markers and will fall under Alabama Gas Corporation's damage prevention program.
5. After installation, the line will be surveyed with flame ionization equipment every three months.
6. The line will be under cathodic protection.

This is a new 12" steel line which will replace an existing 4" steel line that has been in service since 1982. The existing line has been under a waiver for non-odorization

since its installation. All of the previous information regarding this waiver can be found on *WnDOT* under paragraph 192.625, dated February 1, 1982.

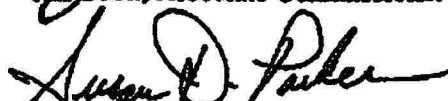
We, respectfully, ask that you review the enclosed information and concur with our actions. If you should have any questions or desire additional information, please advise.

Dated at Montgomery, Alabama, this 3rd day of March, 2009.

Sincerely,


Lucy Baxley, President


Jan Cook, Associate Commissioner


Susan D. Parker, PHD, Associate Commissioner

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cc: Mr. Mike Swanson
File
Mrs. Linda Daugherty
Mr. Don Martin

Attachment 2



U.S. Department
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Pipeline and Hazardous
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Ms. Lucy Baxley
President
Alabama Public Service Commission
P. O. Box 304260
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Dear Ms. Baxley:

Pursuant to 49 U.S.C. 60118(d), the Pipeline and Hazardous Materials Safety Administration (PHMSA) has reviewed your letter of March 3, 2009, notifying us that the Alabama Public Service Commission, is granting a waiver of 49 CFR 192.625 to Alabama Gas Corporation (AGC) allowing a new 12" steel line located entirely on the grounds of a facility owned by the Hunt Oil Company to be operated without odorization. This regulation was adopted by Alabama pursuant to Article 3, Chapter 4 of Title 37, Code of Alabama.

The Commission's grant of the waiver is conditioned on AGC's compliance with six specific requirements listed in your letter. Based on these conditions, PHMSA does not object to the waiver of § 192.625 for the specified line.

If you wish to discuss this special permit or any other pipeline safety matter, my staff would be pleased to assist you. Please call John Gale, Director of Regulations at 202-366-0434 for regulatory matters or Alan Mayberry, Director of Engineering and Emergency Support at 202-366-5124 for technical matters.

Sincerely,

William Hunt
for

Jeffrey D. Wiese
Associate Administrator for Pipeline Safety

Attachment 3

