

*C7. Response:* PHMSA removed “paid/reimbursed by the Operator” from the form in response to questions from operators about whether they should report total property damage or just the dollar amount paid for by the operator. PHMSA expects operators to report total property damage, regardless of whether the operator paid for the damage. In cases where the operator has not paid for the damage, the dollar amount must be estimated. PHMSA will remove “paid/reimbursed by the Operator” from the form.

*C8:* PHMSA proposed revisions in Part C of the report to collect more information for incidents involving girth welds. API and AOPL suggest that PHMSA restructure the form so that all the data will be collected in a data field within Part C, rather than in the narrative where it is unavailable for public examination and proper analysis.

*C8. Response:* The revision proposed by the commenters would require extensive modifications to the form and to the methods of data analysis. PHMSA will consider this suggestion during the next review of the form which is scheduled to take place in 2013.

*C9:* API and AOPL commented that PHMSA should ensure that all proposed changes are reflected in the instructions.

*C9. Response:* PHMSA has revised the instructions to reflect the proposed revisions.

*C10:* Part A of the hazardous liquid accident report allows for the reporting of “Key Report Information.” PHMSA did not propose any changes to this Part. API and AOPL suggested that Part A, Question 10 be revised from “Estimated volume of intentional and/or controlled release/blowdown” to “Estimated volume of intentional and/or controlled release/blowdown (HVL/CO<sub>2</sub> releases only).” API and AOPL specified that adoption of the proposed modification would be consistent with the original objective of the question — to differentiate information on HVL/CO<sub>2</sub> releases where product is vented or flared under the operator’s control to facilitate repair following a release, as opposed to what was released unintentionally during the release event. API and AOPL further suggested that this revision be detailed in the instructions as well.

*C10. Response:* PHMSA agrees with the comment from API and AOPL and has revised the form and instructions as suggested.

#### *D. General Comments*

*D1:* AGA commented that PHMSA should involve industry more in the deliberation process for implementing changes to the forms.

*D1. Response:* In compliance with the requirements of the Paperwork Reduction Act, PHMSA involves industry by seeking comments and suggestions on proposed recordkeeping and reporting activities and will continue to do so.

### **III. Proposed Information Collection Revisions and Request for Comments**

The following information is provided for each revised information collection:

(1) Title of the information collection; (2) OMB control number; (3) Type of request; (4) Abstract of the information collection activity; (5) Description of affected public; (6) Estimate of total annual reporting and recordkeeping burden; and (7) Frequency of collection. PHMSA will request a three-year term of approval for each information collection activity. PHMSA is only focusing on the revisions detailed in this notice and will request revisions to the following information collection activities.

1. *Title:* Incident and Annual Reports for Gas Pipeline Operators.

*OMB Control Number:* 2137–0522.

*Current Expiration Date:* 1/31/2014.

*Type of Request:* Revision.

*Abstract:* PHMSA is looking to revise the Gas Transmission Annual Report (PHMSA F 7100.2–1) to collect additional information in response to recent NTSB recommendations and the Pipeline Safety, Regulatory Certainty, and Job Creation Act of 2011. In addition, PHMSA is revising the Gas Transmission Incident Report Form (PHMSA F 7100.2) to allow for the submission of additional information regarding the pipe in relation to girth weld failures.

*Affected Public:* Gas transmission/gathering pipeline operators.

*Annual Reporting and Recordkeeping Burden:*

*Total Annual Responses:* 21,864.

*Total Annual Burden Hours:* 83,144 (increase of 5,760).

*Frequency of Collection:* On occasion.

2. *Title:* Transportation of Hazardous Liquids by Pipeline: Recordkeeping and Accident Reporting.

*OMB Control Number:* 2137–0047.

*Current Expiration Date:* 12/31/2013.

*Type of Request:* Revision.

*Abstract:* PHMSA is looking to revise the Hazardous Liquid Accident Report Form (PHMSA F 7000–1) to allow for the submission of additional information regarding the pipe in relation to girth weld failures.

*Affected Public:* Hazardous liquid pipeline operators.

*Annual Reporting and Recordkeeping Burden:*

*Total Annual Responses:* 847.

*Total Annual Burden Hours:* 51,329.

*Frequency of Collection:* On occasion.

### **Comments Are Invited On**

(a) The need for the proposed collection of information for the proper performance of the functions of the agency, including whether the information will have practical utility;

(b) The accuracy of the agency’s estimate of the burden of the proposed collection of information, including the validity of the methodology and assumptions used;

(c) Ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and

(d) Ways to minimize the burden of the collection of information on those who are to respond, including the use of appropriate automated, electronic, mechanical, or other technological collection techniques.

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## **DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION**

### **Pipeline and Hazardous Materials Safety Administration**

[Docket No. PHMSA—PHMSA–2012–0137]

### **Pipeline Safety: Information Collection Activities**

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

**ACTION:** Notice and request for comments.

**SUMMARY:** In accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, PHMSA invites comments on a new information collection (IC) to help determine the effectiveness of PHMSA’s 811 Public Service Announcement (PSA) campaign. A **Federal Register** Notice with a 60-day comment period soliciting comments on this information collection was published on July 5, 2012 (77 FR 39797). No comments were received.

**ADDRESSES:** Send comments regarding the burden estimate, including suggestions for reducing the burden, to OMB, Attention: Desk Officer for PHMSA, 725 17th Street NW., Washington, DC 20503.

**DATES:** Comments must be submitted on or before October 22, 2012.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Angela Dow by telephone at 202–366–1246, by fax at 202–366–4566, or by

mail at U.S. DOT, PHMSA, 1200 New Jersey Avenue SE., PHP-30, Washington, DC 20590-0001.

#### SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

*Title:* U.S. Department of Transportation Pipeline and Hazardous Materials Safety Administration 811 Awareness Survey.

*OMB Control Number:* Pending.

*Type of Request:* New information collection.

*Abstract:* PHMSA is conducting a survey of awareness of 811 as the national "Call Before You Dig" toll-free telephone number, the importance of calling 811 before beginning an excavation project and the extent to which the newly-released PHMSA PSA is effective in raising awareness about this topic. This data is necessary to measure the effectiveness of the PSA campaign and plan future educational and outreach efforts.

*Affected Public:* All.

*Estimated number of responses:* 1,000.

*Estimated annual burden hours:* 120.

*Frequency of collection:* One time collection.

*Comments are invited on:* Whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the Department, including whether the information will have practical utility; the accuracy of the Department's estimate of the burden of the proposed information collection; ways to enhance the quality, utility and clarity of the information to be collected; and ways to minimize the burden of the collection of information on respondents, including the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology. A comment to OMB is most effective if OMB receives it within 30 days of the date of this notice's publication in the **Federal Register**.

**Authority:** The Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995; 44 U.S.C. Chapter 35, as amended; and 49 CFR 1.48.

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## DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

### Pipeline and Hazardous Materials Safety Administration

[Docket No. PHMSA-2007-0039]

#### Pipeline Safety: Request for Special Permit

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

**ACTION:** Notice.

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

**DATES:** Submit any comments regarding this special permit request by October 22, 2012.

**ADDRESSES:** Comments should reference the docket number for the specific special permit request 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:* 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:* 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 submit two copies. To receive confirmation that PHMSA has received your comments, please 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. There is a privacy statement published on <http://www.Regulations.gov>.

#### FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

*General:* Kay McIver by telephone at 202-366-0113, or email at [kay.mciver@dot.gov](mailto:kay.mciver@dot.gov).

*Technical:* Patrick Landon by telephone at 202-366-3814, or email at [Patrick.Landon@dot.gov](mailto:Patrick.Landon@dot.gov).

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** PHMSA has received a request for special permit from a pipeline operator seeking relief from compliance with certain pipeline safety regulations. The request includes a technical analysis provided by the operator. The request has been filed at [www.Regulations.gov](http://www.Regulations.gov) and assigned a separate docket number. We invite interested persons to participate by reviewing this special permit request at <http://www.Regulations.gov>, and by submitting written comments, data or other views. Please include comments on potential environmental impacts that may result if this special permit is granted.

Before acting on this special permit request, PHMSA will evaluate all comments received on or before the comments closing date. Comments will be evaluated after this date if it is possible to do so without incurring additional expense or delay. PHMSA will consider each relevant comment we receive in making our decision to grant or deny a request.

PHMSA has received the following special permit requests:

Docket No.	Requester	Regulation(s)	Nature of special permit
PHMSA-2007-0039	Boardwalk—Gulf South Pipeline Company, LP ("Gulf South").	49 CFR 192.611 ...	To authorize Gulf South Pipeline Company, LP (Gulf South) a 135-foot extension of an existing Special Permit Segment of the TPL 880 pipeline located in Mobile County, Alabama. The existing Special Permit Segment is defined in the original Special Permit (PHMSA-2007-0039, granted on February 27, 2009) using the Gulf South TPL-880 pipeline survey station references as follows: Station Number 699+77 to Station Number 700+23 (46 feet).