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September 18, 2024

Mayor Eddie Brake P.O. Box 129 Drakesboro, KY 42337

Re:

Standard Inspection City of Drakesboro

Dear Mayor Brake:

The Kentucky Public Service Commission Division of Inspections (Commission) regulates the safety of jurisdictional natural gas facilities in the Commonwealth of Kentucky pursuant to KRS 278.495 and 49 CFR Parts 190, 191, 192 and 195. The Commission may exercise this authority in conjunction with, and pursuant to, 49 U.S.C. secs. 60101 et seq.

Commission Staff performed a Standard inspection of the City of Drakesboro system on September 9-13, 2024, reviewing utility operations and management practices pursuant to Commission regulations. Commission Staff prepared an Inspection Report dated September 18,2024. Please find enclosed a copy of the Inspection Report. The Inspection Report cited the City of Drakesboro for 2 violations of minimum federal pipeline safety standards:

- 49 CFR § 192.603 (b) General Provisions. Each operator shall keep records necessary to administer the procedures established under § 192.605. The City of Drakesboro did not document leak repairs as required.
- 2. 49 CFR §199.105 (c) Drug Tests required. *Random testing.* (1) Except as provided in <u>paragraphs (c)(2)</u> through (4) of this section, the minimum annual percentage rate for random drug testing shall be 25 percent of covered employees. In 2023, the City of Drakesboro did not conduct the required random drug testing.

For the 2 deficiencies listed above, the City of Drakesboro will need to provide Commission Staff with a detailed explanation regarding each deficiency. The City of Drakesboro will need to address each deficiency in the letter and state why the deficiency occurred, what is being done to correct the deficiency, and what action is being taken to prevent the deficiency from occurring in the future.

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The City of Drakesboro's response will be used by Commission Staff in determining whether a penalty will be assessed and, if so, the amount of the penalty to be assessed against. The City of Drakesboro will have the ability to contest any proposed penalty at a hearing in front of the Commission where the Commission will make a final determination, if the City of Drakesboro so desires.

The City of Drakesboro's response regarding the deficiencies should be submitted by November 4, 2024, via email to PSCED@ky.gov.

If the City of Drakesboro does not respond by November 4, 2024, the Commission will institute an administrative proceeding against the City of Drakesboro the Administrative Proceeding will include a formal hearing in front of the Kentucky Public Service Commission during which will have an opportunity to show cause as to why the City of Drakesboro should not be subject to penalties under KRS 278.992(1) for the pipeline safety violations cited herein.

If you have any questions regarding this matter, please contact Melissa Holbrook Division of Inspections at melissac.holbrook@ky.gov or 502-782-2603.

Sincerely,
Melical Hollman

Assistant Director DOI /

Gas Pipeline Safety Program Manager

Public Service Commission

Enclosure



CITY OF DRAKESBORO



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10/29/2024

To: Kentucky Public Service Commission Division of Pipeline Safety

In reference to Drakesboro Natural Gas inspection for the year 2023, Drakesboro Natural Gas has made the following changes:

- 1. 49 CFR 192.603(b) The City of Drakesboro (Drakesboro Natural Gas) will now keep written records and photos of all repairs made to any and all natural gas leaks on the system.
- 2. 49 CFR 199.105(c) The City of Drakesboro (Drakesboro Natural Gas) has now signed and partnered with USDI for all drug testing requirements.

All employees have been made aware of the changes and will be held accountable for the changes above.

Eddie Brake Mayor

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Brian Jones

Utilities Superintendent



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DRUG AND ALCOHOL ABUSE PREVENTION PROGRAM **CLIENT INFORMATION**

DATE: 10/29/2024				
COMPANY NAME: City of Drakeshoro				
TAX ID: 616001810				
MAILING ADDRESS: 212 West Mose Rager Blud.				
CITY: Drakesboro STATE: ky ZIP: 42337				
DELIVERY ADDRESS: PO Box 129 Drakesboro Ky 42337				
PHONE: 270-476-8986 FAX:				
*RESULTS CONTACT: Brien Jones EMAIL: Drakesberg gas & gmail, com				
ALTERNATE CONTACT: Karenton Stondenire EMAIL: Karenton @ Drakesboro, org				
SCHEDULING CONTACT: Brian Jones E-MAIL: Drakesborogus @ g.m.V. com				
SIGNATURE: Payer				
TITLE: Utilities Superintendent				
IMMEDIATE TEST RESULTS SENT VIA EMAIL UNLESS YOU OPT OUT: □Please call me with results and send a copy via regular mail				
BILLING CONTACT: Brian Jones E-MAIL: Arokesloro ges @ gmail.com				
ADDITIONAL COMMENTS:				
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*The Results Contact is considered the DER (Designated Employer Representative) to confidentially receive test results and the names of those selected for random testing. This is the key contact between USDI and the employer.

Please Return the Information to: Courtney@usdi.us

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IX. APPENDIX B - COVERED POSITIONS

LIST OF POSITIONS THAT ARE "COVERED PIPELINE EMPLOYEES" SUPERVISOR POSITIONS HAVE RECEIVED DRUG & ALCOHOL TRAINING FOR REASONABLE SUSPICION

JOB TITLE		EMPLOYEE	SUPERVISOR
	Spurlin		
Hunter	knight		
	Lindsay		
Brian	Jones		
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