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OUTCOME NOTICE for WARNING LETTER # 401365245

11/09/2021

EWS 3 DJ BASIN LLC (# 10642)

Jim Goddard

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LA SALLE, CO 80645

Re: Warning Letter #401365245

Date Issued 08/04/2017

This Outcome Notice is to inform you of the status of the violation(s) alleged in the above referenced Warning Letter.

Alleged Violation(s) and Required Corrective Action(s):

NTO Flowline Notice to Operators

Description of Alleged Violation: On May 2, 2017, COGCC issued the Notice to Operators Statewide - Flowlines or Pipelines – 1100 Series Rules (“NTO”). The NTO’s Phase 1 required all operators to conduct re-inspections on any existing Flowlines and pipelines located within 1,000 feet of a Building Unit and submit a Riser Inventory and Flowline Integrity Verification Spreadsheet by May 30, 2017. The NTO’s Phase 2 required all operators to ensure and document that all Flowlines within 1,000 feet of a Building Unit have integrity by June 30, 2017. The exception from pressure testing requirements for low pressure Flowlines or pipelines in Rule 1101.e.(2) does not apply to this NTO. The NTO’s Phase 2 further required operators to complete abandonment of any Flowline or pipeline not actively operated by June 30, 2017, regardless of distance to a Building Unit and regardless of when it was installed or taken out of service.

Based on a review of COGCC records, COGCC has identified that the Operator has Flowlines or pipelines subject to both Phases of the NTO. To date the Operator has not submitted the Riser Inventory and Flowline Integrity Verification Spreadsheet, which should contain verification that all Flowlines within 1,000 feet of a Building Unit have integrity, in violation of the terms of the NTO.

Required Corrective Action: The Operator shall immediately contact Mark Schlagenhauf, Engineering Integrity Supervisor, at 303-894-2100 x5177 to discuss the Operator’s plan to comply with the NTO. The Operator shall come into compliance with the NTO by no later than September 4, 2017. Failure to contact Mr. Schlagenhauf and come into compliance with the NTO by September 4, 2017, may result in the issuance of a Notice of Alleged Violation or the pursuit of an emergency COGCC order.

The Riser Inventory and Flowline Integrity Verification Spreadsheet is available on the COGCC website at http://cogcc.state.co.us/library.html#/special_projects/flowlines.



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Corrective Action Deadline Date: 09/04/2017

Corrective Action Performed by Operator

Description: CO 811 confirmed Tier One Membership since 2016

Completion Date: 11/09/2021

Outcome of Warning Letter # 401365245: No Further Action Required

CO 811 confirmed Tier One Membership since 2016

Other Violations:

If COGCC has reasonable cause to believe that EWS 3 DJ BASIN LLC has additional violations not addressed through the above referenced Warning Letter, the COGCC may issue a Notice of Alleged Violation and seek penalties pursuant to § 34-60-121, C.R.S. and Rule 523, COGCC Rules of Practice and Procedure, 2 CCR 404-1. COGCC may or may not elect to issue Warning Letters for additional instances of non-compliance based on the guidance of the COGCC Enforcement Guidance and Penalty Policy (Corrected 4/8/2015) and COGCC Rules.

Sincerely,

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Attachments

View Attachments in Imaged Documents on COGCC website <http://ogccweblink.state.co.us/> Search by Document Number.

Document Number Description

401365245	WARNING LETTER OUTCOME NOTICE
401365270	WARNING LETTER CERTIFIED MAIL RECEIPT
401365280	WARNING LETTER ISSUED
401365282	WARNING LETTER IN PROCESS
401382810	WARNING LETTER CERTIFIED MAIL RETURN RECEIPT

Total Attach: 5 Files