

SPS No.	Status	County, state	Outside diameter (inches)	Line name	Length (feet)	Year installed	Maximum allowable operating pressure (pounds per square inch gauge)
5	Active Segment	Loudoun, VA	30	VC	481	1962	898
	Extension	Loudoun, VA	30	VC	2,090	1962	898

Upon receipt of this request, an Environmental Protection Specialist from PHMSA's Environmental Analysis and Compliance Division reviewed the Final Environmental Assessment (FEA) and its findings. In consideration of this, PHMSA finds that the expansion of the proposed special permit would not result in significant impacts to the human environment. Furthermore, the existing FEA and Finding of No Significant Impact remain adequate, pursuant to the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969, as amended (42 U.S.C. 4321 *et seq.*). No further environmental assessment is required for this proposal.

TCO's special permit segment extension request, active special permit with conditions, and FEA are available for review and public comment in Docket No. PHMSA-2019-0202. PHMSA invites interested persons to review and submit comments in the docket on the special permit segment extension request. Please submit comments on any potential safety, environmental, and other relevant considerations implicated by the special permit request. Comments may include relevant data.

Before issuing a decision on the special permit request, PHMSA will evaluate all comments received on or before the comments closing date. PHMSA will consider each relevant comment it receives in making its decision to grant or deny this special permit request.

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Linda Daugherty,

Acting Associate Administrator for Pipeline Safety.

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Pipeline and Hazardous Materials Safety Administration

[Docket No. PHMSA-2019-0152]

Pipeline Safety: Request for Special Permit

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

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: PHMSA is publishing this notice to solicit public comments on a request for one (1) special permit segment extension submitted by Tennessee Gas Pipeline Company, LLC (TGP), a subsidiary of Kinder Morgan, Inc. TGP is seeking relief from compliance with certain requirements in the Federal pipeline safety regulations. At the conclusion of the 30-day comment period, PHMSA will review the comments received from this notice as part of its evaluation to grant or deny the special permit request.

DATES: Submit any comments regarding this special permit request by July 28, 2025.

ADDRESSES: Comments should reference the docket number for this special permit request and may be submitted in the following ways:

- **E-Gov Website:** <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 9:00 a.m. and 5:00 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 (2) 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: There is a privacy statement published on <http://www.regulations.gov>. Comments, including any personal information provided, are posted without changes or edits to <http://www.regulations.gov>.

Confidential Business Information

Confidential Business Information (CBI) is commercial or financial information that is both customarily and treated as private by its owner. Under the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) (5 United States Code 552), CBI is exempt from public disclosure. If your comments responsive to this notice contain commercial or financial information that is customarily treated as private, that you treat as private, and that is relevant or responsive to this notice, it is important that you clearly designate the submitted comments as CBI. Pursuant to 49 Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) § 190.343, you may ask PHMSA to give confidential treatment to information you give to the agency by taking the following steps: (1) mark each page of the original document submission containing CBI as "Confidential"; (2) send PHMSA, along with the original document, a second copy of the original document with the CBI deleted; and (3) explain why the information you are submitting is CBI. Unless you are notified otherwise, PHMSA will treat such marked submissions as confidential under the FOIA, and they will not be placed in the public docket of this notice. Submissions containing CBI should be sent to Lee Cooper, DOT, PHMSA-PHP-80, 1200 New Jersey Avenue SE, Washington, DC 20590-0001. Any commentary PHMSA receives that is not specifically designated as CBI will be placed in the public docket for this matter.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

General: Mr. Lee Cooper by telephone at 202-913-3171, or by email at lee.cooper@dot.gov.

Technical: Mr. Zaid Obeidi by telephone at 202-768-4354, or by email at zaid.obeidi@dot.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: PHMSA received a special permit request from TGP, a subsidiary of Kinder Morgan, Inc., on September 26, 2024, seeking the addition of a special permit segment extension to be incorporated into special permit PHMSA–2019–0152. The special permit segment extension request is a part of the active permit’s special permit inspection area (SPIA). Special permit PHMSA–2019–0152

allows TGP to deviate from the Federal pipeline safety regulations in 49 CFR 192.611(a), (d), and 192.619(a), where a gas transmission pipeline segment has undergone a change from a Class 1 to a Class 3 location. Special permit PHMSA–2019–0152 is active and was granted on March 30, 2023, and is effective until March 30, 2033 for one (1) special permit segment, which include 2,830 feet (approximately

0.536 miles) of the TGP natural gas transmission pipeline system located in the state of Kentucky. The special permit segment extension is requested for an additional 732 feet (approximately 0.139 miles). If granted, the special permit segment would total 3,562 feet (approximately 0.675 miles). The active special permit segment and requested extension, is as follows:

SPS No.	Status	County, state	Outside diameter (inches)	Line name	Length (feet)	Year installed	Maximum allowable operating pressure (pounds per square inch gauge)
508	Active Segment	Barren, KY	36	800–2	2,830	1968	936
	Extension	Barren, KY	36	800–2	732	1968	936

Upon receipt of this request, an Environmental Protection Specialist from PHMSA’s Environmental Analysis and Compliance Division reviewed the Final Environmental Assessment (FEA) and its findings. In consideration of this, PHMSA finds that the expansion of the proposed special permit would not result in significant impacts to the human environment. Furthermore, the existing FEA and Finding of No Significant Impact remain adequate, pursuant to the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969, as amended (42 U.S.C. 4321 *et seq.*). No further environmental assessment is required for this proposal.

TGP’s special permit segment extension request, active special permit with conditions, and FEA are available for review and public comment in Docket No. PHMSA–2019–0152. PHMSA invites interested persons to review and submit comments in the docket on the special permit segment extension request. Please submit comments on any potential safety, environmental, and other relevant considerations implicated by the special permit request. Comments may include relevant data.

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Office of the Secretary

Guidance on DOT Referrals for Potential Criminal Enforcement

AGENCY: Office of the Secretary, U.S. Department of Transportation (“DOT”).
ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: This notice describes DOT’s plans to address regulatory offenses with criminal liability pursuant to the recent executive order on Fighting Overcriminalization in Federal Regulations.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Charles E. Enloe, Assistant General Counsel for Litigation and Enforcement, *Charles.Enloe@dot.gov*, (202) 366–9269.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: On May 9, 2025, the President issued Executive Order (“E.O.”) 14294, Fighting Overcriminalization in Federal Regulations. 90 FR 20363 (May 14, 2025). Section 7 of E.O. 14294 provides that within 45 days of the order, and in consultation with the Attorney General, each agency should publish guidance in the **Federal Register** describing its plan to address regulatory offenses with criminal liability.

Consistent with that requirement, DOT advises the public that DOT, in consultation with the Attorney General, will provide to the Director of the Office of Management and Budget (“OMB”) and post on the DOT website a report containing: (1) a list of all criminal regulatory offenses ¹ enforceable by DOT or the Department of Justice (“DOJ”); and (2) for each such criminal regulatory offense, the range of potential criminal penalties for a violation and

the applicable mens rea standard ² for the criminal regulatory offense. DOT will update the report periodically as required by the E.O.

This notice also announces a general policy, subject to appropriate exceptions and to the extent consistent with law, that when DOT is deciding whether to refer alleged violations of criminal regulatory offenses to DOJ, officers and employees of DOT should consider, among other factors:

- the harm or risk of harm, pecuniary or otherwise, caused by the alleged offense;
- the potential gain to the putative defendant that could result from the offense;
- whether the putative defendant held specialized knowledge, expertise, or was licensed in an industry related to the rule or regulation at issue; and
- evidence, if any is available, of the putative defendant’s general awareness of the unlawfulness of his conduct as well as his knowledge or lack thereof of the regulation at issue.

DOT adheres to DOT Order 8000.8A (Nov. 20, 2020), which provides procedures for referrals for criminal investigation and coordination with the DOT Office of the Inspector General and DOJ.³ DOT also adheres to the Acting General Counsel’s Memorandum, titled “Procedural Requirements for DOT Enforcement Actions” (March 11, 2025), which clarifies the procedural requirements governing enforcement actions initiated by DOT, including administrative enforcement proceedings

² “Mens rea” means the state of mind that by law must be proven to convict a particular defendant of a particular crime. E.O. 14294, sec. 3(c).

³ <https://www.transportation.gov/sites/dot.gov/files/docs/dotorders/CROrder%208000.8A%20final%20signed.pdf>.