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City of Cuthbert Gas System
PO Box 100
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DELIVERED VIA E-MAIL

RE: Inspection Report DJ22-045

Dear Mr. Bobby Jenkins -

Based on review of City of Cuthbert Gas System's response, discussions with Pipeline Safety Staff and/or Operator, and/or any additional information provided for Inspection Report DJ22-010, I have cleared the following Enforcement Actions:

Violation	Description	Inspection#
192.603(c)	General - The Associate Administrator or the State Agency that has submitted a current...	DJ22-010

Any new or continuing Enforcement Action(s) not listed above will be addressed during the Operator's future inspection. No action is required by City of Cuthbert Gas System at this time.

Please let me know if there are any questions or concerns regarding this correspondence at (404) 985-4271 or mthebert@psc.ga.gov. Thank you for your continuing contribution toward increased pipeline safety.

Sincerely,

Michelle Thebert
Director, Office of Pipeline/Facilities Safety

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REPORT OF NATURAL GAS SAFETY

INSPECTION NO: DJ22-045

OPERATOR: City of Cuthbert Gas System

INVESTIGATOR: Daphne Jones

INSPECTION DATE: August 31, 2022 REPORT MAILED DATE: January 31, 2023

Any questions concerning this report may be directed to the above address or by telephoning (404) 463-6526.

1. PURPOSE OF INSPECTION

Conduct a review of the Operator's response of the Operators previously existing probable violations.

2. CONTINUING VIOLATIONS

Violation	Description	Inspection#	Date
Consent Agreement Pending	Operator is negotiating Consent Agreement with the FPU Director	JS20-015	3/16/2020

3. CLEARED VIOLATIONS

Cleared on 8/31/2022

Violation	Description	Inspection#	Date
192.603(c)	General - The Associate Administrator or the State Agency that has submitted a current...	DJ22-010	2/28/2022

4. NEW VIOLATIONS

5. OTHER RECOMMENDATIONS/COMMENTS

On August 31, 2022, Staff reviewed the City of Cuthbert Gas System's response letter which was submitted for Inspection Number DJ22-010.

This review was conducted by Daphne Jones, Pipeline Safety Inspector – Lead.

During this review, Staff determined the following:

NOTICE OF AMENDMENT CLEARED
1. In regard to the Probable Violation of 49CFR, §192.603(c) which was cited in Inspection Number DJ22-010; in that inspection Staff stated: "The Protecting Our Infrastructure of Pipelines and Enhancing Safety (PIPES) Act of 2020 was signed on December 27, 2020. This statute contains a self-executing mandate requiring operators to update their inspection and maintenance plans to address eliminating hazardous leaks and minimizing releases of natural gas (including intentional venting during normal operations) from their pipeline facilities. Operators must also revise their plans to address the replacement or remediation of pipeline facilities that are known to leak based on their material, design, or past operating and maintenance history."

PROBABLE VIOLATION: Pursuant to section 60108(a)(2) and §192.603(c), Staff found that the City of Cuthbert's plan for compliance with the requirements of Section 114 of the Protecting our Infrastructure of Pipelines and Enhancing Safety Act of 2020, was deficient. Specifically, Staff has identified Inspection questions # 5, #7, #8, #11, #16, #17, and #18 which need amendments.

CUTHBERT RESPONSE: In their response letter to Inspection Number DJ22-010, dated August 23, 2022 the Operator stated: "Leak & Releases question #5, #7, and #8 of the inspection form have been addressed and updated in the City of Cuthbert Emission Plan. Leak Mitigation - Lost & Unaccounted for Gas question #11, of the inspection form has been addressed and updated in the City of Cuthbert Emission Plan. General-Feedback Design Configuration Practices question #16, of the Emission inspection form has been addressed and updated in the City of Cuthbert Emission Plan,
Leak Prone - Leaks & Releases question #17, of the inspection form has been addressed and updated in the City of Cuthbert Emission Plan. Leak Prone & Releases - Data Collection and Analysis question #18, of the inspection form has been addressed and updated in the City of Cuthbert Emission Plan.

REVIEW OF OPERATOR RESPONSE: On August 31, 2022, the Operator emailed documentation showing where they updated the City of Cuthbert Emission Plan. The Operator has addressed and amended the identified Inspection questions # 5, #7, #8, #11, #16, #17, and #18.

Staff has reviewed the Operators response and the documents provided by the Operator via email and found that it adequately addresses this violation.

Staff determined that this violation could be cleared at this time.

Please review and respond to this report in accordance with the attached Instructions for Responding to Enforcement Letters Issued by the Georgia Public Service Commission.

BEFORE THE GEORGIA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION
STATE OF GEORGIA

IN THE MATTER OF:	)	
	)	
Clear Violation Report	)	**DOCKET NO. 37041**
City of Cuthbert Gas System	)	
Inspection DJ22-045 on August 31, 2022	)	
	)	

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I the undersigned, do hereby certify that I have caused to be served a copy of the foregoing, and a copy of same was served upon all parties and persons listed below via electronic mail as indicated by an asterisk. I further certify that the *City of Cuthbert Gas System was* served a hard copy of the above-stated document by U.S. Mail, certified/return receipt requested.

*Sallie Tanner, Executive Secretary
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Respectfully Submitted this 7th day of February 2023:

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