

control room safety and minimize risk associated with fatigue and interaction with computer equipment. These areas include annual validation of controller qualifications by senior level executives of pipeline companies, clearly defined responsibilities for controllers in responding to abnormal operating conditions, the use of formalized procedures for information exchange during shift turnover, and clearly established shift lengths combined with education on strategies to reduce the contribution of non-work activities to fatigue.

This workshop will build on work done in the June 2006 workshop on controller issues. PHMSA will include panels drawn from the entire enterprise to discuss noteworthy practices in the various areas. We anticipate panels on fatigue and other control room management issues. These issues include both those directly relating to the individuals, such as qualifications and fatigue, as well as the systems and processes controllers use that can affect pipeline safety and integrity.

In particular, PHMSA seeks information about best practices and standards that would accomplish the following:

1. Clearly define the roles and responsibilities of controllers to ensure their prompt and appropriate response to abnormal operating conditions.
2. Formalize procedures for recording critical information and for exchanging information during shift turn-over.
3. Establish shift lengths and schedule rotations to protect against the onset of fatigue, and educate controllers and their supervisors in fatigue mitigation strategies and how non-work activities contribute to fatigue.
4. Periodically review the supervisory control and data acquisition systems (SCADA) displays to insure controllers are getting clear and reliable information from field stations and devices.
5. Periodically audit alarm configurations and handling procedures to provide confidence in alarm signals and to ensure controller effectiveness.
6. Involve controllers when planning and implementing changes in operations, and maintain strong communications between controllers and field personnel.
7. Determine how to establish, maintain, and review controller qualifications, abilities and performance metrics, with particular attention to response to abnormal operating conditions.
8. Analyze operating experience including accidents and incidents for possible involvement of the SCADA

system, controller performance, and fatigue.

9. Validate the adequacy of controller-related procedures, training and the qualifications of controllers, possibly annually through involvement by senior level executives of pipeline companies.

PHMSA also expressly seeks comments on the potential for including PTP within IM.

### III. Preliminary Workshop Agenda

The preliminary agenda for this workshop includes briefings on the following topics:

- Prevention through People' Overview.
- Purpose and Goals of Workshop.
- Fatigue and SCADA—NTSB.
- Fatigue-Panel Discussion.
- Computer Interface and Change Management—Panel Discussion.
- Control Room Practices—Panel Discussion.
- Risk Approach to Control Room Management—PHMSA.

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**Joy Kadnar,**

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## DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

### Pipeline and Hazardous Materials Safety Administration

[Docket No. PHMSA-04-19856]

#### Pipeline Safety: Senior Executive Signature and Certification of Integrity Management Program Performance Reports

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

**ACTION:** Notice; Issuance of advisory bulletin.

**SUMMARY:** On December 29, 2006, the Pipeline Inspection, Protection, Enforcement and Safety Act was signed into law. The law, known as the PIPES Act, includes a provision requiring the senior executive officers of pipeline operating companies to certify annual and semiannual pipeline integrity management program performance reports. This advisory provides information to assist pipeline operators with certifying future submissions of annual and semiannual pipeline integrity management program performance reports.

#### FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

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#### SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

##### I. Background

Section 16 of the PIPES Act requires PHMSA to establish procedures for a pipeline operator's senior executive officer to certify annual and semiannual pipeline integrity management program performance reports with their signature. Specifically, the law requires each report to include a signed statement certifying that the senior executive officer has reviewed the report and to the best of the senior executive officer's knowledge and belief, this report is true and complete. PHMSA is modifying its electronic filing to assist pipeline operators with complying with section 16 of the PIPES Act electronically. In addition, this advisory informs operators not filing electronically how to comply with section 16.

##### II. Advisory Bulletin ADB-07-01

**To:** Operators of Natural Gas and Hazardous Liquid Pipelines.

**Subject:** Senior Executive Officer Signature and Certification of Integrity Management Program Performance Reports.

**Purpose:** To inform operators of natural gas and hazardous liquid pipelines on how to meet the requirement for a senior executive officer's signature and certification on pipeline integrity management program (IMP) performance reports.

**Advisory:** Section 16 of the PIPES Act requires pipeline operators to have a senior executive officer of the company sign and certify annual and semiannual IMP performance reports. By signing, the senior executive officer is certifying that the senior executive officer has reviewed the report and to the best of the senior executive officer's knowledge and belief, this report is true and complete. To assist pipeline operators with complying with the section 16 requirement, we are providing the following procedures for those operators of natural gas pipelines and hazardous liquid pipelines required to file IMP reports. Pipeline operators should follow these procedures for future submissions of annual and semiannual IMP performance reports.

#### *Gas Integrity Management Program Performance Measures Reports*

Operators of gas transmission pipelines are required by 49 CFR

192.945 to submit IMP performance measures semiannually to PHMSA. Operators are encouraged to submit the IMP reports using the electronic form available on PHMSA's Web site at <http://phmsa.dot.gov>.

To minimize future transcription and handling and to lessen the chance for errors, PHMSA is modifying the gas IMP electronic form to reflect the new legal requirement for a senior executive officer's certification and signature. Operators should enter the name and title of the senior executive officer certifying the report in the appropriate blanks on the form and in the signature block on the form. Operators should keep in mind that entering the senior executive officer's name onto the electronic form is equivalent to a paper submission and has the same legal authenticity and requirements as a paper document.

In lieu of electronic filing, operators can mail or fax the reports to PHMSA. If submitting by mail or fax, the name and title of the senior executive officer certifying the report should be entered in the appropriate blanks on the form. The senior executive officer should certify the report by signing this form in the signature block.

#### *Hazardous Liquid Integrity Management Program Annual Reports*

PHMSA requires hazardous liquid pipeline operators to submit annual reports providing information about their pipeline infrastructure and their integrity management program. Operators are required to submit these reports annually and by June 15 for the previous calendar year in accordance with 49 CFR 195.49.

Operators of hazardous liquid pipelines are encouraged to use the Online Data Entry System (ODES) available at the PHMSA Web site located at <http://phmsa.dot.gov> to submit annual reports. To minimize future transcription and handling and to lessen the chance for errors, we are modifying the ODES electronic form to reflect the new legal requirement for a senior executive officer certification and signature. Operators should enter the name and title of the senior executive officer certifying the report in the appropriate blanks on the form and in the signature block on the form. Operators should keep in mind that entering the senior executive officer's name onto the electronic form is equivalent to a paper submission and has the same legal authenticity and requirements as a paper document.

Operators may also submit the annual report to PHMSA by mail or fax in accordance with 49 CFR 195.58. If

submitting by mail or fax, the name and title of the senior executive officer certifying the report should be entered in the appropriate blanks on the form. The senior executive officer should certify the report by signing the form in the signature block.

**Authority:** 49 U.S.C. chapter 601 and 49 CFR 1.53.

Issued in Washington, DC on April 13, 2007.

**Jeffrey D. Wiese,**

*Acting Associate Administrator for Pipeline Safety.*

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## **DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY**

### **Departmental Offices; Renewal of the Treasury Borrowing Advisory Committee of the Bond Market Association and Name Change to the Treasury Borrowing Advisory Committee of the Securities Industry and Financial Markets Association**

**ACTION:** Notice of renewal and name change.

**SUMMARY:** In accordance with the Federal Advisory Committee Act, as amended (Pub. L. 92-463; 5 U.S.C. App. 2), with the concurrence of the General Services Administration, the Secretary of the Treasury has determined that renewal of the Treasury Borrowing Advisory Committee of The Bond Market Association (the "Committee") is necessary and in the public interest in connection with the performance of duties imposed on the Department of the Treasury by law.

Effective November 1, 2006, the name of the Bond Market Association was changed to the Securities Industry and Financial Markets Association following the merger of the Securities Industry Association and the Bond Market Association. Hence, the name of the Committee has been changed to reflect this merger. The new name is the Treasury Borrowing Advisory Committee of the Securities Industry and Financial Markets Association.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Karthik Ramanathan, Director, Office of Debt Management (202) 622-2042.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The purpose of the Committee is to provide informed advice as representatives of the financial community to the Secretary of the Treasury and Treasury staff, upon the Secretary of the Treasury's request, in carrying out Treasury responsibilities for federal financing and public debt management.

The Committee meets to consider special items on which its advice is sought pertaining to immediate Treasury funding requirements and pertaining to longer term approaches to manage the national debt in a cost-effective manner. The Committee usually meets immediately before the Treasury announces each mid-calendar quarter funding operation, although special meetings also may be held.

Membership consists of 10-15 individuals who are experts in the government securities market and who are involved in senior positions in debt markets as institutional investors, investment advisors, or as dealers in government securities.

The Designated Federal Official for the Advisory Committee is the Director of the Office of Debt Management. The Treasury Department is filing copies of the Committee's renewal charter with appropriate committees in Congress.

Dated: April 17, 2007.

**Anthony W. Ryan,**

*Assistant Secretary, Financial Markets.*

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## **DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY**

### **Alcohol and Tobacco Tax and Trade Bureau**

#### **Proposed Information Collection; Comment Request**

**AGENCY:** Alcohol and Tobacco Tax and Trade Bureau (TTB), Treasury.

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

**SUMMARY:** As part of our continuing effort to reduce paperwork and respondent burden, and as required by the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, we invite comments on the proposed or continuing information collections listed below in this notice.

**DATES:** We must receive your written comments on or before June 22, 2007.

**ADDRESSES:** You may send comments to Mary A. Wood, Alcohol and Tobacco Tax and Trade Bureau, at any of these addresses:

- P.O. Box 14412, Washington, DC 20044-4412;
- 202-927-8525 (facsimile); or
- [formcomments@ttb.gov](mailto:formcomments@ttb.gov) (e-mail).

Please send separate comments for each specific information collection listed below. You must reference the information collection's title, form or recordkeeping requirement number, and OMB number (if any) in your comment. If you submit your comment via facsimile, send no more than five 8.5 x