

and public participation in protecting the nation's drinking water. The agency's CCR retrospective review will look for opportunities to improve the effectiveness of communicating drinking water information to the public, while lowering the burden on water systems and States. One example suggested by water systems is to allow electronic delivery through email, thereby reducing mailing charges. As EPA evaluates alternative delivery options and other opportunities to improve communication with consumers, the agency will consider impacts on consumer burden, environmental justice, and State implementation. By improving communication, customers are better prepared to make informed decisions and the readership of CCRs also may increase.

Dated: January 25, 2012.

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## DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

### Pipeline and Hazardous Materials Safety Administration

#### 49 CFR Parts 191, 192 and 195

[Docket ID PHMSA-2010-0026]

RIN 2137-AE59

#### Pipeline Safety: Miscellaneous Changes to Pipeline Safety Regulations

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

**ACTION:** Notice of proposed rulemaking; extension of comment period.

**SUMMARY:** On November 29, 2011, PHMSA published in the **Federal Register** a Notice of Proposed Rulemaking titled: "Miscellaneous Changes to Pipeline Safety Regulations" seeking comments on the need for changes to the regulations covering pipeline safety regulations. The Committee on Pipe and Tube Imports Ad Hoc Large Diameter Line Pipe Producers Group Transportation Subcommittee and the Interstate Natural Gas Association of America petitioned PHMSA to extend the comment period. PHMSA is granting these requests and extending the comment period from February 3, 2012, to March 6, 2012.

**DATES:** The closing date for filing comments is extended from February 3, 2012, to March 6, 2012.

**ADDRESSES:** Comments should reference Docket No. PHMSA-2010-0026 and may be submitted in the following ways:

- *E-Gov Web Site:* <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:* DOT Docket Management System: U.S. DOT, Docket Operations, M-30, West Building Ground Floor, Room W12-140, 1200 New Jersey Avenue SE., Washington, DC 20590-0001.

*Hand Delivery:* U.S. DOT Docket Management System; West Building Ground Floor, Room W12-140, 1200 New Jersey Avenue SE., Washington, DC 20590-0001, between 9 a.m. and 5 p.m., Monday through Friday, except Federal holidays.

*Instructions:* You should identify the Docket No. PHMSA-2010-0026 at the beginning of your comments. If you submit your comments by mail, please submit two copies. To receive confirmation that PHMSA received your comments, include a self-addressed stamped postcard. Internet users may submit comments to the Docket at <http://www.regulations.gov>.

*Note:* Comments are posted without changes or edits to <http://www.regulations.gov>, including any personal information provided. There is a privacy statement published on <http://www.regulations.gov>.

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#### SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

##### Background

On November 29, 2011, PHMSA issued a notice of proposed rulemaking (NPRM) that would make miscellaneous amendments to the pipeline safety regulations (76 FR 73570). On January 12, 2012, the Interstate Natural Gas Association of America requested an extension of the comment period for that NPRM. On January 20, 2012, the Committee on Pipe and Tube Imports Ad Hoc Large Diameter Line Pipe Producers Group Transportation Subcommittee also requested an extension of the comment period to further review a National Transportation Safety Board (NTSB) recommendation that would impact guidelines on the transportation of pipe. PHMSA believes that extension of the comment period is warranted based on the information

provided in these requests. Therefore, PHMSA has extended the comment period from February 3, 2012 to March 6, 2012.

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## DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

### Pipeline and Hazardous Materials Safety Administration

#### 49 CFR Part 192

[Docket ID PHMSA-2011-0009]

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#### Pipeline Safety: Expanding the Use of Excess Flow Valves in Gas Distribution Systems to Applications Other Than Single-Family Residences

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

**ACTION:** Advance notice of proposed rulemaking; extension of comment period.

**SUMMARY:** On November 25, 2011, PHMSA published in the **Federal Register** an Advance Notice of Proposed Rulemaking (ANPRM), titled: "Pipeline Safety: Expanding the Use of Excess Flow Valves (EFVs) in Gas Distribution Systems to Applications Other Than Single-Family Residences." The ANPRM sought public comment on several issues related to expanding the use of EFVs in gas distribution systems. On January 10, 2012, PHMSA received a request to extend the comment period to provide additional time to respond to the ANPRM. In light of that request, PHMSA is extending the comment period from February 18, 2012, to March 19, 2012.

**DATES:** The closing date for filing comments is extended from February 18, 2012, until March 19, 2012.

**ADDRESSES:** Comments should reference Docket No. PHMSA-2011-0009 and may be submitted in the following ways:

- *E-Gov Web Site:* <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:* DOT Docket Management System: U.S. DOT, Docket Operations, M-30, West Building Ground Floor, Room W12-140, 1200 New Jersey