



Idaho Public Utilities Commission

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Letter of Concern

July 14, 2022

Report # A202201

Jody Morehouse – Director of Natural Gas
Avista Corporation
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Spokane, WA. 99220-3727

Dear Mrs. Morehouse:

On June 7-8, 2022, the Idaho Public Utilities Commission, Pipeline Safety Division, pursuant to Chapter 601 of Title 49, United States Code, conducted the field inspection of Avista's installed equipment in the Coeur d' Alene District.

There are area(s) of concern that do not fully meet the intent of the pipeline safety regulations Title 49, Code of Federal Regulations, Part 192 for calendar year 2022.

The item(s) listed below are of concern:

49 CFR §192.739 (a) Pressure limiting and regulating stations: Inspection and testing.

- (2) Adequate from the standpoint of capacity and reliability of operation for the service in which it is employed;
- (3) Except as provided in paragraph (b) of this section, set to control or relieve at the correct pressure consistent with the pressure limits of § 192.201(a); and
- (4) Properly installed and protected from dirt, liquids, or other conditions that might prevent proper operation.

Finding(s):

Regulator stations 212, 4246, and 4247 had one or both regulators fail to lock up at the pre-established set points. These failures were corrected on-site and at the time of failure.

The above mentioned item(s) were brought to the attention of your compliance representatives during the inspection and exit interview. We would request that you review these matter(s) and respond in writing within 30 days regarding the above issue including any planned corrective actions.

If you have any questions concerning this notice, please contact me at (208) 334-0333. All written responses should be addressed to me at: 11331 W Chinden Blvd, Ste 201-A, Boise, Idaho 83714 or you can fax your response to (208) 334-3762.

Because of the good faith that you have exhibited up to this time, we expect that you will take action to bring your program into compliance with pipeline safety regulations.

We appreciate your attention to this matter and your effort to promote pipeline safety.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'J. Brooks', with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

Jeff Brooks
Pipeline Safety, Program Manager
Idaho Public Utility Commission