

## Advisory Bulletin

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## **PIPELINE SAFETY ADVISORY BULLETIN**

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**To:** Owners and Operators of Gas and Hazardous Liquid Pipeline Facilities

**Subject:** Persons Seeking Interpretations of Pipeline Safety Regulations Include Certain Information

**Purpose:**

This advisory bulletin requests that persons seeking interpretations of pipeline safety regulations include certain information.

**Advisory:**

RSPA requests that owners and operators of gas and hazardous liquid pipelines and other persons requesting interpretation of regulations from the Office of Pipeline Safety (OPS) Washington Office include the following information in the request:

- o Specify the regulations to be interpreted and provide adequate information on the circumstances regarding the interpretation requested.
  
- o Specify whether there is a current or past OPS or State interpretation or compliance action on the regulation(s) relating to the interpretation requested; and, if so, provide to the State enforcement office or OPS Regional Office a copy of the letter sent to OPS requesting and interpretation.

**Background:**

RSPA often receives requests for interpretations of regulations from operators that have been cited for violation of the regulation(s) involved, and against whom enforcement actions have been initiated. Including information on existing compliance actions with operators requests for interpretations will help prevent inconsistencies between interpretations given and decisions on compliance or enforcement cases that are in process.

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