Honorable Virgil James Mayor, City of White Deer P.O. Box 116 White Deer, Texas 79097

Dear Mayor James:

Your letter of April 23, 1976, requesting a waiver from compliance with 49 CFR 192.457, concerning corrosion control, is returned herewith.

The petition should be presented to the Texas Railroad Commission which has authority under the Natural Gas Pipeline Safety Act of 1968 to enforce and grant waivers from compliance with the Federal standards for intrastate gas pipeline facilities in Texas. Should the Commission decide to grant the waiver, we will review that decision in accordance with Sec. 3(e) of the Act.

Sincerely,

Cesar DeLeon Acting Director Office of Pipeline Safety Operations

Enclosure

## City of WHITE DEER

April 23, 1976

Request for Waiver City of White Deer Gas System

Regulation Involved: 192.457 Regulations for Trans. of Natural and Other Gas By Pipeline,

Parts 191, 192, Title 49, Revised October 1, 1973.

Department of Transportation Office of Pipeline Safety.

The existing regulation is inappropriate for the City of White Deer Gas System because of the time element involved. Partial condition of lines is one of deterioration. It will be very costly to check and very costly to install the replacement lines. Some of the distribution lines could be replaced at less cost with plastic instead of steel.

The waiver is necessary at this time because it would allow the City of White Deer time for the complete check of the system to determine the replacement lines. It would allow time for replacement. The description of the pipeline system is coated steel lines in Pullman-Randall Soil.

The City of White Deer respectfully suggests that a specified time allowance until February 1, 1977, be granted.

cc: Railroad Commission of Texas

Gas Utilities Division

cc: Department of Transportation

Office of Pipeline Safety

Virgil James, Mayor
L. L. Pair, Supt., Utilities