

Mr. John Searcy
Tennessee Public Service Commission
Engineering Division
Cordell Hull Building
Nashville, TN 37219

Dear Mr. Searcy:

Your letter of January 6, 1975, asks whether 49 CFR 192.611 applies to pipelines operating at any pressure. Although this rule applies to pipelines operating at any pressure, it is only relevant to a pipeline operating at a pressure which produces a hoop stress of more than 40 percent of the pipeline's specified minimum yield strength.

Sincerely,

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Joseph C. Caldwell
Director
Office of Pipeline Safety

January 6, 1975

Mr. Joseph C. Caldwell, Director
Office of Pipeline Safety
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Washington, D. C. 20590

Dear Mr. Caldwell:

Is 192.611 applicable to pipelines operating at any pressure?

Sincerely,

John Searcy
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