June 14, 2004

Dennis McVicker
General Manager Liquid Products Division
Tidewater Barge Lines, Inc.
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Dear Mr. McVicker:

Subject: 2004 Operator Qualification Inspection

During the week of May 10 - 13, 2004, Pipeline Safety Staff (Staff) representing the Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission conducted an inspection of Tidewater Barge Company’s (Tidewater) Pasco Terminal, Operator Qualification Program (OQ).

The review of Tidewater’s OQ Plan, practices, and documentation did not identify any probable violations of CFR 49, Part 195 Subpart G.

Staff appreciates Pat Jenson, Ron McClary and Jeff Nelson’s cooperation. Please contact Patti Johnson at (360) 664-1266 or (360) 870-4915 for technical assistance or questions.

Sincerely,

Alan E. Rathbun
Pipeline Safety Director

cc: Pat Jensen, Tidewater

The Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission (Commission) has the authority to enforce the minimum safety regulations per Chapter 480-75 of the Washington Administrative Code (WAC) pertaining to the construction, maintenance and operation of pipelines transporting hazardous liquid in the state of Washington. In addition, the Commission adopts the Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) Title 49, Part 191 and 195.