Safety of Natural Gas Transmission & Gathering Pipelines NPRM

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12,660 miles of pipe in 26 states
Spectra Energy strongly supports regulations that embrace and advance improvements in pipeline safety practices, with the goal of achieving zero incidents.

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- PHMSA issued NPRM on April 8, 2016
- Response to congressional mandates and NTSB recommendations following several high profile pipeline incidents
- Most significant expansion of gas pipeline safety standards since they were first adopted in 1970
- Over 270 comments filed to the regulatory docket
Key Provisions of Proposed Rule

- Modifies definition of regulated gathering pipelines
- Expands integrity management programs to Moderate Consequence Areas
- Verification of Pipeline Material in Class 3, Class 4 and HCAs
  - Reliable, traceable, verifiable and complete records
  - Allows destructive and non-destructive testing
- MAOP re-verification
- Will significantly expand use of pressure testing
  - Spike hydrostatic testing
- Expands prescriptive assessment, investigation and repair requirements both inside and outside of HCAs
- Additional preventative and mitigative measures
- Data integration requirements
- Risk assessments
- Record keeping requirements
In Summary...

*Spectra Energy strongly supports the concepts PHMSA proposes in the NPRM*

**The Final Rule should:**

- Include clear, practicable requirements
- Promote expansion of in-line inspection
- Promote development of new technology
- Avoid burdensome activities that provide little pipeline safety improvement

Spectra Energy believes engagement of all stakeholder groups is critical to developing a diligent, practicable and effective Final Rule