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February 16, 2024

GI-2024-01-SWG-30-07-RFB

Jerry Schmitz
Vice President, Engineering
Southwest Gas Corporation
5241 Spring Mountain Road
Las Vegas, NV 89193-8510

SUBJECT: General Order (G.O.) 112-F Operator Qualification (OQ) Program Inspection of Southwest Gas Company's Southern California (SCA), Needles & Northern California (NCA) Districts

Dear Mr. Schmitz:

On behalf of the Safety and Enforcement Division (SED) of the California Public Utilities Commission (CPUC), Randy Fienberg, James Zhang, Hengyao (Henry) Chen, and Aleksandr Fastovich, conducted a G.O. 112-F review and inspection of Southwest Gas Company (SWG) between January 29th through February 2nd, 2024.

The inspection included a review of OQ records and procedures for the period of 2020 through 2023, as well as observations from an active OQ training session, tour of the outdoor training facility, Laboratory Services facility and welding training facility. The Pipeline and Hazardous Material Safety Administration's (PHMSA) Inspection Assistant (IA) was used as a reference guide to conduct the inspection.

SED's staff did not observe any probable violation of G.O. 112-F, Reference Title 49 Code of Federal Regulations (CFR), Part 192 and considers this inspection closed.

If you have any questions, please contact Randy Fienberg at (415) 416-4409 or by email at randy.fienberg@cpuc.ca.gov.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Terence Eng".

Terence Eng, P.E.
Program Manager
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Safety and Enforcement Division

Enclosure: Post-Inspection Written Findings

CC: Laurie Brown, SWG Compliance
Dennis Lee, SED
Claudia Almengor, SED

Post-Inspection Written Preliminary Findings

Dates of Inspection: 01/29/2024 – 02/02/2024

Operator: SOUTHWEST GAS CORP

Operator ID: 18536 (primary)

Inspection Systems: SCA, NCA and Needles Divisions (88372)

Assets (Unit IDs) with results in this report: Southwest Gas Corp (88372)

System Type: GT

Inspection Name: Southwest Gas Operator Qualification - 2024

Lead Inspector: Randy Fienberg

Operator Representative: Laurie Brown

Unsatisfactory Results

No Preliminary Findings.

Concerns

No Preliminary Findings.