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To: Oil & Gas Gathering Industry

Re: Response To; Pipeline Hazardous Materials Safety Administration (PHMSA) Final Ruling

Dear Customers:

In response to the new Pipeline Hazardous Materials Safety Administration (PHMSA) ruling (link below), WL Plastics will no longer be using rework material in our ASTM D2513 gas distribution, or jurisdictional gas gathering pipe. This change will be indicated on our gas distribution and jurisdictional gas gathering pipe with a "GAS-NR" stamp in the print line. NR = No Rework.

http://www.gpo.gov/fdsys/pkg/FR-2015-01-05/pdf/2014-30336.pdf

Effective March 6, 2015 PHMSA will incorporate ASTM D2513-09a 'Standard Specification for Polyethylene (PE) Gas Pressure Pipe, Tubing, and Fittings', into the Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) Title 49 Part192.123, except for section 4.2 "Rework Materials". PHMSA has added a new paragraph to CFR Title 49 Part 192.59 (link below) that states,

"(d) Rework and/or regrind material is not allowed in plastic pipe produced after March 6, 2015 used under this part."

http://www.ecfr.gov/cgi-bin/text-idx?SID=ea0a8c2ea8444dfc85ba2b7a69d434a5&node=se49.3.192 159&rgn=div8

Therefore, on future requests for quotations (RFQ's) and purchase orders (PO's) it will be important for you, the customer, to inform us if the pipe will be used in a gas distribution, or jurisdictional gas gathering application so that we can ensure compliance by offering you our ASTM D2513 No Rework (GAS-NR) pipe.

For non-jurisdictional gas gathering, all future HDPE pipe will be marked ASTM F2619 (link below) and API 15 LE.

http://www.astm.org/Standards/F2619.htm

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Please contact WL Plastics Technical for any questions you may have. Thank you. wltechnical@wlplastics.com

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