

## **Recent Developments in Pipeline Safety Seminar**

## **December 8, 2016**

5 Professional Development Hours (PDH) available!

# The Marcellus Shale Coalition, in conjunction with its Midstream and Pipeline Committee, is pleased to offer a Recent Developments in Pipeline Safety Seminar to all oil and gas industry stakeholders.

In April 2016, the U.S. Department of Transportation's Pipeline and Hazardous Materials Safety Administration ("PHMSA") published a long-anticipated rulemaking proposal for gas gathering and transmission lines. More than four years in the making, the proposed rules would significantly expand PHMSA's jurisdiction over gas gathering lines and add several new requirements to the agency's regulations for gas transmission lines. Many of these proposals respond to congressional mandates and recommendations issued by the National Transportation Safety Board. In June 2016, President Obama also signed the Protecting our Infrastructure of Pipelines and Enhancing Safety Act of 2016, or PIPES Act, which reauthorizes PHMSA's pipeline safety program through 2019. The PIPES Act contains several noteworthy provisions, including a new rulemaking mandate for underground gas storage facilities and a provision authorizing PHMSA to issue industry-wide emergency orders if an unsafe condition or practice presents an imminent hazard to health, property, or the environment. Finally, PHMSA is working to finalize a number of other rulemaking proposals and initiatives before the Obama Administration draws to a close in January 2017.

In order to better understand the implications of the proposed rulemakings and new provisions in the PIPES Act, the seminar will feature a series of presentations on current issues in pipeline regulation and operations, as well as a roundtable discussion led by a panel of industry experts and government officials. These presentations will target the impacts that these proposed rulemakings will have on the pipeline and midstream sector developments in the Marcellus and Utica shale plays.

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Agenda	
8:30 - 9:00 am	Registration and Continental Breakfast
9:00 - 10:15 am	PHMSA Rulemaking and Legislative Update
	Keith Coyle, Esq., Shareholder, Babst Calland
	James Curry, Esq., Shareholder, Babst Calland
	Brianne Kurdock, Esq., Attorney, Babst Calland
10:15 – 10:30 am	Break
10:30 am - 12:00 pm	Current Issues in Pipeline Operations and Integrity Management
12:00 - 1:00 pm	Lunch
1:00 – 2:15 pm	Roundtable Discussion
	Peter Chace, Gas Pipeline Safety Program Manager, Public Utility Commission of Ohio
	Paul Metro, Manager Gas Safety Division, Pennsylvania Public Utility Commission
	Jeff Weise, Vice President and National Practice Leader for Pipeline Integrity Services, TRC,
	(Former Associate Administrator for Pipeline Safety at PHMSA)
	Mary Friend, Director of the Gas Pipeline Safety Division, Public Service Commission of West
	Virginia (Invited)
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#### **Register** (Deadline: December 5)

\$200
\$175
\$250
\$225

four or more attendees from one company)

**To register: https://dec16pipelinesafety.eventbrite.com** Admission fees are non-refundable. Substitutions accepted.

### Location

Hilton Garden Inn 1000 Corporate Drive Canonsburg, PA 15317

A block of rooms has been reserved under the Marcellus Shale Coalition on a first-come, first-served basis. Please call (724) 743-5000 to make a reservation.