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NAPSR NATIONAL 2001 RESOLUTION NO. 2

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A Resolution encouraging the Federal Office of Pipeline Safety (OPS) to amend Section 192.63, Title 49, Code of Federal Regulations, entitled "Marking of Materials" to require marking of all pipe, fittings, and components in such a manner that the markings last for a period of 50 years or life of the pipe, fitting and components.

WHEREAS, National Association of Pipeline Safety Representatives (NAPSR) attending the Southern Region meeting in Orange Beach, Alabama on August 23, 2001, identified the lack of markings of all pipe, fittings and components as a significant public safety issue, and

WHEREAS, NAPSR is called upon to investigate accidents wherein insufficient information is available to determine the material, date of manufacture, and other relevant information that would aid in determining the cause or origin of the incident, and

WHEREAS, NAPSR recognizes that existing pipe, fittings and components do not maintain their markings for a sufficient period of time, and

WHEREAS, NAPSR recommends that all pipe, fittings and components be marked in such a manner as to ensure identification for a minimum period of 50 years, or life of the pipe, fitting and components, and

WHEREAS, NAPSR finds that the marking of plastic pipe, fittings and components will benefit the industry and public by allowing identification of problems and proactively mitigating future problems through such identification, and

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that NAPSR members request OPS to amend Section 192.63, Title 49, Code of Federal Regulations, entitled "Marking of Materials" to require marking of all pipe, fittings and components to ensure identification for a period of 50 years or the life of the pipe, fittings and components.