



Pipeline Safety Division Investigation Report

Investigation regarding: **Azucena Sedano**

UPPAC Database Record ID: 2191

Investigator: Howard Friend

Report Date: 03/12/2012

Damage Date: 10/10/2011 6:34:40 PM

Damage Address: 106 E Linden Ave

City: Logansport

County: Cass

The Parties

Excavator: **Azucena Sedano**

Contact: Azucena Sedano, Homeowner

Address: 106 E Linden Ave, Logansport, In 46947

Telephone: (574) 702-0400

Facility Owner: NIPSCO

Contact: Kit Earle

Address: 101 West Ohio Street, Indianapolis, IN 46204

Pipeline Facility

Facility Type: Natural Gas

Facility Function: Service/Drop

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Damage Impact

Product release: Yes

Ignition: No

Service Interruption: False

Number of Customers Affected: 0

Injuries: 0

Fatalities: 0

Repair Cost (if known): \$

Excavator Activities/Cause of damage information:

Excavator request locates: No Indiana 811 ticket Number:

Type of Equipment: Hand Tools

Type of work performed: Fencing

Synopsis: Damage to a natural gas service occurred during excavation to install fencing.

Findings: Reported by Indiana 811; excavator's response to initial notice was received on 11/30/2011. Homeowner failed to call Indiana 811 for locates prior to beginning work.

Conclusion: The homeowner failed to provide notice of excavation.

Violation: IC 8-1-26-16(g): Failure to provide notice of excavation.

Azucena Sedano currently has no other reports of damages in the record.

NO

LOCATE

TICKET

PROVIDED



101 West Ohio Street
Suite 1707
Indianapolis, IN 46204

December 19, 2011

Via Electronic Transmission – PipelineDamageCase@urc.in.gov

Pipeline Safety Division – Case No. 2191
Indiana Utility Regulatory Commission
101 West Washington Street, Suite 1500 East
Indianapolis, Indiana 46204

RE: Investigation Request for Information; Pipeline Division Case No. 2191

To Whom It May Concern:

Attached please find Northern Indiana Public Service Company's ("NIPSCO") written information relating to the following event:

Date of Event: 10/10/2011

Event Location: 106 E Linden Ave, Logansport

Facility Owner: NIPSCO

Excavator: Azucena Edano

Other Party: N/A

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NIPSCO has reviewed its recovery and damage prevention files for this matter and has provided answers, when known, to the list of questions set forth in the Information Request.

Upon completion of the investigation, NIPSCO requests that it be provided with a copy of the Pipeline Division's Investigation Report with findings that will be forwarded to the Underground Plant Protection Advisory Committee. If there are any additional questions, please contact the undersigned.

Very truly yours,

Christopher C. (Kit) Earle
NiSource Corporate Services - Legal
Phone: 317-684-4904
Fax: 317-684-4918
Email: cearle@nisource.com

IURC INFORMATION REQUEST**Pipeline Safety Division Case No.**

2191

Date of Event

10/10/2011

Event Location

106 E Linden Ave, Logansport

Facility Owner

Northern Indiana Public Service Company

Excavator

Azucena Edano

Date of IURC Information Request

11/15/2011

EVENT LOCATION:

ADDRESS

106

STREET

E. Linden Ave

CITY/TOWN/IN ZIP CODE

Logansport, IN

COUNTY

Cass

TOWNSHIP

Eel

PROPERTY OWNER

USE - COMMERCIAL/RESIDENTIAL

TENANT'S NAME

IF COMMERCIAL USE, TENANT OR OWNER OCCUPIED

IF TENANT OCCUPIED, TENANT'S FULL NAME

EXCAVATOR:

NON BUSINESS FULL PERSONAL NAME

Excavator is the home owner.

BUSINESS NAME

ADDRESS

STREET

CITY/ STATE/ZIP

PREFERRED TELEPHONE

SECONDARY TELEPHONE

EMAIL ADDRESS

FACILITY INFORMATION - OWNER/OPERATOR OF UTILITY LINE:

BUSINESS NAME

NORTHERN INDIANA PUBLIC SERVICE COMPANY

RESPONSIBLE BUSINESS PERSON NAME AND TITLE

LUKE SELKING

ADDRESS
CITY/STATE/ZIP
PREFERRED TELEPHONE
SECONDARY TELEPHONE
EMAIL ADDRESS

1501 HALE AVENUE
FORT WAYNE, IN 46802
260/439-1290

LSELKING@NISOURCE.COM

LOCATE MARKS:

DATE LOCATE REQUESTED
DATE LOCATE PERFORMED
DATE OF EVENT
LOCATE NUMBER
811 DAMAGE NOTIFICATION NUMBER
WERE LOCATE MARKS VISIBLE
DID THE EXCAVATOR WHITE LINE
WERE MAPS USED TO MARK FACILITY
WAS THERE A POSITIVE RESPONSE FROM OPERATOR/HOW
WAS OPERATOR EMPLOYEES ON SITE AT TIME OF INCIDENT

None found

None found
11101103467

INJURIES:

NUMBER OF OUT-PATIENT
NUMBER OF IN-PATIENT INJURIES
WAS LOCAL FIRE DEPARTMENT CALLED
FIRE DEPARTMENT NAME
FIRE DEPARTMENT RESPONSE DESCRIPTION
WAS LOCAL POLICE DEPARTMENT CALLED
DEPARTMENT NAME
POLICE DEPARTMENT RESPONSE DESCRIPTION
ANY OTHER RESPONSE - IF SO, WHO AND DESCRIBE

DESCRIBE WHAT HAPPENED AND WHY

unknown

The meter at this location was shut off at the time the damage occurred.

We have no record of a locate. The service line was hit, damaged, and repaired.

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NIPSCO 00985 IUPPSa 10/10/2011 18:34:43 1110103467-00A EMER DAMG STRT

DAMAGE DAMAGE

Ticket : 1110103467 Date: 10/10/2011 Time: 18:27 Oper: DBROOKING Chan:008

State: IN Cnty: CASS Twp: EEL
Cityname: LOGANSPORT Inside: Y Near: N
Subdivision:Address : 106
Street : E LINDEN AVE
Cross 1 : N 3RD ST Within 1/4 mile: Y
Location: LOCATE BACK PROPERTY BY THE GARAGE--HOLE HAS BEEN DUG AND FILLED IN
:
Grids : 4045C8621A 4045B8621A 4045C8622D 4045B8622D
Boundary: n 40.758602 s 40.756767 w -86.368759 e -86.365997Work type : INSTALL FENCE
Done for : AZUCENA EDANO
Start date: 10/10/2011 Time: 18:30 Hours notice: 0/0 Priority: EMER
Ug/Oh/Both: U Blasting: N Boring: N Railroad: N Emergency: Y
Duration : N/A Depth: 1 FOOTCompany : AZUCENA EDANO Type: HOME
Co addr : 106 E LINDEN AVE
City : LOGANSPORT State: IN Zip: 46947
Caller : AZUCENA EDANO Phone: (574)702-0400
Contact : AZUCENA EDANO--CELL Phone:
BestTime:
Mobile : (574)702-0400
Email : CHENAVAZQUEZ@AOL.COMRemarks : All tickets are taken and processed on Eastern Daylight Time
THEY HAVE HIT A NIPSCO GAS LINE IN THE BACK PROPERTY BY THE GARAGE--THE LINE IS
BLOWING--THEY REFILLED THE HOLE WITH THE BLOWING LINE--IT IS A BEIGE COLORED
PIPE--NIPSCO IS EN ROUTE--NO PREVIOUS TICKET NUMBER
Will you be white-lining the dig site area? NO
:Submitted date: 10/10/2011 Time: 18:27
Members: ID3043 ID6231 ID8000 NIPSCO SM

Information Request
Pipeline Safety Division
Indiana Utility Regulatory Commission

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INDIANA UTILITY
REGULATORY COMMISSION

The Pipeline Safety Division of the Indiana Utility Regulatory Commission requests any and all information you can provide regarding the following criteria:

The Parties:

Excavator Information:

Business Name:

Responsible Party Personal Name: Alex Sedano

Title (if any):-

Address: 106 E Linden Ave

City, State Zip: Logansport IN 46947

Preferred Telephone: 574-702-0400

Cell Phone Number:

Email Address: Chenavarquez@aol.com

Facility Information:

Business Name:

Responsible Party Personal Name:

Title (if any):

Address:

City, State, Zip:

Preferred Telephone:

Cell Phone Number:

Email Address:

Locator Service Information:

Business Name:

Responsible Party Personal Name:

Title (if any):

Address:

City, State Zip:

Preferred Telephone:

Cell Phone Number:

Email Address:

Other (Witness, Police, Fire, Other) Information:

Personal Contact:

Business/Organization Name:

Title (if any) Logansport Fire Department

Address:

City, State, Zip: Logansport IN 46947

Preferred Telephone:

Cell Phone Number:

Email Address:

Utility Line Impact:

Location of Damage:

Address: 106 E Linden Ave

City, State Zip: Logansport IN 46947

Nearest Intersection: 3rd St & E Linden Ave

Product Type (circle one):

Natural Gas

Liquid Pipeline

Unknown/Other

Facility Type (circle one):

Distribution

Gathering

Service/Drop

Transmission

Unknown/Other

Size (Diameter/etc.): _____ dug 6 inches

Pressure (PSIG/Inches): _____

Interruption in Service: Yes (No) Number of Customers Affected: 0

Evacuation: Yes (No) If yes, How Many Evacuated? 0

Repair Cost (if known): \$ _____

Cause of Damage Information:

Type of Equipment (circle one):

Auger
Backhoe/Trackhoe
Boring /Drilling
Directional Drilling
Explosives
Farm Equipment
Grader/Scraper
Hand Tools
Milling Equipment
Probing Device
Trencher
Vacuum Equipment
Unknown/Other

Type of Work Performed (circle one):

Agriculture
Cable TV
Curb/Sidewalk
Bldg. Construction
Bldg. Demolition
Drainage
Driveway
Electric
Engineering/Surveying
Fencing
Grading
Irrigation
Landscaping
Liquid Pipeline
Milling
Natural Gas
Pole
Public Transit Authority
Railroad Maintenance
Road Work
Sewer (Sanitary/Storm)
Site Development
Steam
Storm Drain/Culvert
Street Light
Telecommunications
Traffic Signal
Traffic Sign
Water
Waterway Improvement
Unknown/Other

Release of Product: Yes / No

Ignition and/or Fire: Yes / No

Excavator Notify 811: Yes / No

Locate Information:

Excavator Request Locate: Yes / No

Indiana 811 Locate Ticket Number: 1116103469

Locate Marks Visible: Yes / No

Locate Marks Correct: Yes/No

Excavator "White Lined": Yes / No

Maps Used to Mark Facilities: Yes / No

Was Locate Provided within Two (2) Working Days: Yes / No

Operator Employees On-site during Excavation: Yes / No

Incident Impact Information:

Number of Outpatient Treated: 0

Number of Inpatient Treated: 0

Number of Fatalities: 0

Fire Department Response: Yes / No

Police Department Response: Yes / No

Ambulance Response: Yes / No

Additional Information/Comments:

my son Alex, 11 years old was helping digging because we were going to put up a fence he got down to about 6 inches and hit the gas pipe, immediately we called 911 no one was hurt. Police & fire Department showed up and the NipSCO fixed the problem. We are sorry and have learned from our mistake. We called 811 after my son hit the gas line.

YOUR PIPELINE SAFETY DIVISION CASE NO. 1110103467
YOUR FULL NAME: Azuena Sedano
FULL NAME OF BUSINESS/ENTITY (if applicable): _____
YOUR BUSINESS TITLE (if applicable): _____
ADDRESS: 106 E Linden Ave
CITY: Logansport STATE: IN ZIP CODE: 46947
YOUR TELEPHONE NUMBER: (514) 702-0100 SECOND NO. () - _____
YOUR EMAIL ADDRESS: Chenavarquez@aol.com

TODAY'S DATE: 11/27/11
YOUR SIGNATURE:  TITLE (if any) _____

Please return your Narrative Statement and Answers to the above questions to:

Pipeline Safety Division – Case No. 2191
Indiana Utility Regulatory Commission
101 West Washington Street, # 1500E
Indianapolis, IN 46204

Or scan document(s) and Email to:
PipelineDamageCase@urc.in.gov