



## Pipeline Safety Division Investigation Report

### Investigation regarding: **B & D Sewer And Backhoe Service**

UPPAC Database Record ID: 3206

Investigator: Mike Orr

Report Date: 1/4/2013

Damage Date: 6/20/2012 10:34:57 AM

Damage Address: S Broad St

City: Griffith

County: Lake

### The Parties

Excavator: **B & D Sewer And Backhoe Service**

Contact: Ron Delco

Address: 531 Winston Ct, Schererville, In 46375

Telephone: (219) 322-2300

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: True

Number of Customers Affected: 1

Injuries: 0

Fatalities: 0

Repair Cost (if known): \$

**Excavator Activities/Cause of damage information:**

Excavator request locates: Yes Indiana 811 ticket Number: 1206122010

Type of Equipment: Backhoe/Trackhoe

Type of work performed: Sewer

**Synopsis:** Damage to a natural gas service occurred during work on a sewer line.

**Findings:** Reported by Indiana 811; excavator's response to initial notice was received on 8/10/2012. The excavator had a valid locate prior to beginning the work; however, the gas operator failed to provide the facility locate resulting in, after notice by the IURC 9/13/2012 had expired, an OPERATOR VIOLATION.

**Conclusion:** There was a failure to locate gas facilities.

**Violation: IC 8-1-26-18(f): Operator failed to locate or provided incorrect locate markings.**

**From:** bdsewer@comcast.net  
**Sent:** Friday, August 10, 2012 11:23 AM  
**To:** IURC PipelineDamageCase  
**Subject:** Case No. 3206

This issue is covered under locate number 1206122010 that was good 6/14 at 12:45pm.

A gas service was hit during installation of a sanitary sewer. Per the locator, he could not get a tone on the service and notified NIPSCO. However, he expressed that he thought the service went out toward the rear of the building as the other services did. NIPSCO did not respond to the untoneable notification.

Damage #1206201359

Ron Delco



101 West Ohio Street, Suite 1707  
Indianapolis, IN 46204

August 13, 2012

*Via Electronic Transmission – [PipelineDamageCase@urc.in.gov](mailto:PipelineDamageCase@urc.in.gov)*

Pipeline Safety Division – Case No. 3206  
Indiana Utility Regulatory Commission  
101 West Washington Street, Suite 1500 East  
Indianapolis, Indiana 46204

RE: Investigation Request for Information; Pipeline Division Case No. 3206

To Whom It May Concern:

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

Date of Event: 6/20/2012

Event Location: S Broad St, Griffith

Facility Owner: Northern Indiana Public Service Company

Excavator: B and D Sewer and Backhoe

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. To the extent available, NIPSCO is also providing a copy of the Damage Information Report – Pipeline Safety Division previously submitted by NIPSCO to IURC Pipeline Safety as well as additional documentation relating to this Event Location.

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,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Christopher Earle".

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

<b>IURC INFORMATION REQUEST</b>	
<b>Pipeline Safety Division Case No. 3206</b>	
Date of Event	6/20/2012
Event Location	S Broad St, Griffith
Facility Owner	Northern Indiana Public Service Company
Excavator	B and D Sewer and Backhoe
Date of IURC Information Request	7/13/2012
<b>THE PARTIES</b>	
<b>EXCAVATOR:</b>	
BUSINESS NAME	B&D SEWER
RESPONSIBLE PARTY PERSONAL NAME	
TITLE (IF ANY)	
ADDRESS	531 WINDSOR COURT
CITY/ STATE/ZIP	SCHERERVILLE, IN 46375
PREFERRED TELEPHONE	219 322-2300
CELL PHONE TELEPHONE	
EMAIL ADDRESS	
<b>FACILITY INFORMATION - OWNER/OPERATOR OF UTILITY LINE:</b>	
BUSINESS NAME	NORTHERN INDIANA PUBLIC SERVICE COMPANY
RESPONSIBLE PARTY PERSONAL NAME	LUKE SELKING
TITLE	
ADDRESS	1501 HALE AVENUE
CITY/STATE/ZIP	FORT WAYNE, IN 46802
PREFERRED TELEPHONE	260/439-1290
SECONDARY TELEPHONE	
EMAIL ADDRESS	<a href="mailto:LSELKING@NISOURCE.COM">LSELKING@NISOURCE.COM</a>
<b>LOCATOR SERVICE INFORMATION</b>	
BUSINESS NAME	USIC Locating Service
RESPONSIBLE PARTY PERSONAL NAME	
TITLE (IF ANY)	
ADDRESS	9045 North River Road, Suite 300
CITY/ STATE/ZIP	Indianapolis, IN 46240
PREFERRED TELEPHONE	
CELL PHONE TELEPHONE	
EMAIL ADDRESS	
<b>OTHER (WITNESS, POLICE, FIRE, OTHER) INFORMATION</b>	
PERSONAL CONTACT	
BUSINESS/ORGANIZATION NAME	
TITLE (IF ANY)	

ADDRESS	
CITY/ STATE/ZIP	
PREFERRED TELEPHONE	
CELL PHONE TELEPHONE	
EMAIL ADDRESS	
<b>UTILITY LINE IMPACT</b>	
<b>LOCATION OF DAMAGE</b>	
ADDRESS	120 S. BROAD ST,
CITY/STATE/ZIP	GRIFFITH, IN
NEAREST INTERSECTION	Main St
<b>PRODUCT TYPE (Select One)</b>	
NATURAL GAS	X
LIQUID PIPELINE	
UNKNOWN/OTHER	
<b>FACILITY TYPE (Select One)</b>	
DISTRIBUTION	
GATHERING	
SERVICE/DROP	X
TRANSMISSION	
UNKNOWN/OTHER	
SIZE (DIAMETER/ETC.)	1 1/8" PLASTIC
PRESSURE (PSIG/INCHES)	40
INTERRUPTION IN SERVICE (YES/NO)	Yes
NUMBER OF CUSTOMERS AFFECTED	2
EVACUATION (YES/NO)	No
IF YES, HOW MANY EVACUATED	0
REPAIR COST (IF KNOWN) (\$)	
<b>CAUSE OF DAMAGE INFORMATION:</b>	
<b>TYPE OF EQUIPMENT (Select One)</b>	
Auger	
Backhoe/Trackhoe	X
Boring/Drilling	
Directional Drilling	
Explosives	
Farm Equipment	
Grader/Scraper	
Hand Tools	
Milling Equipment	
Probing Device	

Trencher	
Vacuum Equipment	
Unknown/Other	
<b>TYPE OF WORK PERFORMED (Select One)</b>	
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)	X
Site Development	
Steam	
Storm Drain/Culvert	
Street Light	
Telecommunications	
Traffic Signal	
Traffic Sign	
Water	
Waterway Improvement	
Unknown/Other	
RELEASE OF PRODUCT (YES/NO)	Yes
IGNITION AND/OR FIRE (YES/NO)	No
EXCAVATOR NOTIFY 811 (YES/NO)	Yes 1206122010
<b>LOCATE INFORMATION:</b>	
EXCAVATOR REQUEST LOCATE (YES/NO)	Yes

INDIANA 811 LOCATE TICKET NUMBER	1206122010
LOCATE MARKS VISIBLE (YES/NO)	Yes
LOCATE MARKS CORRECT (YES/NO)	No
EXCAVATOR "WHITE LINED" (YES/NO)	No
MAPS USED TO MARK FACILITIES (YES/NO)	Yes
OPERATOR EMPLOYEES ON-SITE DURING EXCAVATION (YES/NO)	No
<b>INCIDENT IMPACT INFORMATION</b>	
NUMBER OF OUTPATIENT TREATED	0
NUMBER OF INPATIENT TREATED	0
NUMBER OF FACILITIES	
FIRE DEPARTMENT RESPONSE (YES/NO)	
FPOLICE DEPARTMENT RESPONSE (YES/NO)	
AMBULANCE RESPONSE (YES/NO)	
<b>ADDITIONAL INFORMATION/COMMENTS</b>	
FACILITY WAS NOT LOCATED. FACILITY WOULD NOT TONE PROPERLY.	

# Fact Based Investigation Report

01820120620007  
Northern IN  
6/20/2012 10:31:00 AM  
6/20/2012 10:40:09 AM  
RON DELCO  
120 S BROAD ST  
GRIFFITH  
ST: IN ZIP:

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NOTIFICATION ID:  
DISTRICT:  
DAMAGE DATE:  
NOTIFICATION DATE:  
NOTIFIED BY:  
DAMAGE ADDRESS:  
CITY:

NIPSCO

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DAMAGED CUSTOMER:

06/20/2012  
10:50:00  
11:40:00

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INVESTIGATION DATE:  
FROM:  
TO:

B & D sewer and backhoe  
water and sewer install

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EXCAVATOR INVOLVED:  
TYPE OF EXCAVATION:

1206122010  
6/14/2012 12:45:00 PM  
Ongoing Project

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ORIG. LOCATE REQ.:  
START DATE/TIME:  
TYPE OF TICKET:  
LOCATE REQ. INFO N/A:

1206201359  
6/20/2012 10:30:00 AM

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DIG UP/DAMAGE REQ.:  
START DATE/TIME:

kevin stewart  
6/20/2012 10:50:00 AM  
Digital

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PICTURES TAKEN BY:  
DATE/TIME:  
PHOTOGRAPHY TYPE:  
FRAME #:

125481

INVESTIGATOR EMP#:  
INVESTIGATOR NAME:

kevin stewart  
**BASED ON YOUR INVESTIGATION, IS FURTHER INVESTIGATION NEEDED?**

No

## Fact Based Investigation Customer Information

01820120620007

NIPSCO

(optional)

NOTIFICATION ID:

SELECT A CUSTOMER:

CUSTOMER #:

LOWPROF

Gas Service

Stewart Kevin - 125481

FACILITY DESCRIPTION:

FACILITY ID:

LOCATOR NAME & EMP #:

LOCATOR NOT KNOWN:

### CHECK ALL THAT APPLY TO INVESTIGATION:

Other

**Other:** untoneable sent to NIPSCO

### CHECK ALL THAT APPLY TO METHOD OF INVESTIGATION (at least one must be checked):

Visual, Facility Exposed At Time Of Investigation

### INVESTIGATOR STATEMENT/CAUSAL FACTORS:

gas service cut, not marked. Untoneable notice was sent to NIPSCO on this service the day before the damage occurred. USIC not at fault.

### NAMES OF UTILITY REPRESENTATIVES CONTACTED OR ON SITE AND STATEMENT:

na

### NAMES OF EXCAVATOR'S REPRESENTATIVES CONTACTED OR ON SITE AND STATEMENT:

na

### LIST ANY OTHER INDIVIDUALS ON SITE:

na

Yes

No

No

unknown

unknown

No

unknown

No

WERE ANY MARKINGS VISIBLE ON THE DAMAGE SITE UPON ARRIVAL?

WERE ANY OTHER INDICATORS OF FACILITY PRESENT IN THE AREA?

WAS THE EXCAVATION WITHIN THE TOLERANCE ZONE OF MARKS?

EXTENT OF FACILITY DAMAGE

REPLACEMENT FOOTAGE

WAS CONTRACTOR ASSISTANCE REQUIRED? IF YES, WHO?

WHAT CONTRACTOR EQUIPMENT WAS USED?

IS THE FACILITY SHOWN ON THE UTILITY RECORDS?

IF YES, PLEASE LIST RECORD #(S)

NIPSCO 00343 IUPPSa 06/20/2012 10:35:23 1206201359-00A EMER DAMG GRID

DAMAGE SEE REMARKS

Ticket : 1206201359 Date: 06/20/2012 Time: 10:31 Oper: JSMITH Chan:088

State: IN Cnty: LAKE Twp: CALUMET  
Cityname: GRIFFITH Inside: Y Near: N  
Subdivision:

Address :

Street : S BROAD ST  
Cross 1 : MAIN ST Within 1/4 mile: Y  
Location: ENTIRE STREET AND ROWS FROM MAIN MANUAL SOUTH TO RR CROSSING  
:  
Grids : 4131D8725B 4131C8725B  
Boundary: n 41.523354 s 41.519917 w -87.428505 e -87.426132

Work type : SEWER AND WATER MIAN INSTALLATION  
Done for : WALSH & KELLY  
Start date: 06/20/2012 Time: 10:31 Hours notice: 0/0 Priority: EMER  
Ug/Oh/Both: U Blasting: N Boring: N Railroad: N Emergency: Y  
Duration : ONE WEEK Depth: 5 FEET

Company : B AND D SEWER AND BACKHOE Type: CONT  
Co addr : 531 WINSTON CT  
City : SCHERERVILLE State: IN Zip: 46375  
Caller : RON DELCO Phone: (219)322-2300  
Contact : BOB - OFFICE Phone:  
BestTime:  
Mobile : (219)322-2300  
Fax : (219)865-0065  
Email : BDSEWER@COMCAST.NET

Remarks : All tickets are taken and processed on Eastern Daylight Time  
NIPSCO GAS SERVICE OR MAIN WAS HIT IN FRONT OF THE ADDRESS OF 120 SOUTH BROAD  
STREET WHICH IS HOMETOWN CARPETS--GAS IS BLOWING--CALLER HAS BEEN ADVISED TO  
PLEASE NOTIFY BOTH NIPSCO AND 911 OF THE DAMAGE--CREW IS ON SITE--CALLER  
DESCRIBES THE LINE AS PLASTIC BUT IS UNSURE OF THE COLOR OR SIZE--PREVIOUS  
TICKET NUMBER IS 1206122010--THANK YOU!!  
Will you be white-lining the dig site area? NO  
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Submitted date: 06/20/2012 Time: 10:31

Members: BE COMCN IB ID0918 ID2601 ID3838 ID5693 NIPSCO SM ID2600

CASE # 3206

NIPSCO 00180 IUPPSa 06/19/2012 09:03:33 1206122010-02A NORM 2NDR GRID

THIRD NOTICE 3RD NOTICE

Ticket : 1206122010 Date: 06/19/2012 Time: 09:02 Oper: SPOPE Chan:044  
Old Tkt: 1206122010 Date: 06/18/2012 Time: 14:55 Oper: AOWENS Rev: 01A

State: IN Cnty: LAKE Twp: CALUMET  
Cityname: GRIFFITH Inside: Y Near: N  
Subdivision:

Address :  
Street : S BROAD ST  
Cross 1 : MAIN ST Within 1/4 mile: Y  
Location: ENTIRE STREET AND ROWS FROM MAIN MANUAL SOUTH TO RR CROSSING  
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Grids : 4131D8725B 4131C8725B  
Boundary: n 41.523354 s 41.519917 w -87.428505 e -87.426132

Work type : SEWER AND WATER MIAN INSTALLATION  
Done for : WALSH & KELLY  
Start date: 06/14/2012 Time: 12:45 Hours notice: 0/0 Priority: NORM  
Ug/Oh/Both: U Blasting: N Boring: N Railroad: N Emergency: N  
Duration : ONE WEEK Depth: 5 FEET

Company : B AND D SEWER AND BACKHOE Type: CONT  
Co addr : 531 WINSTON CT  
City : SCHERERVILLE State: IN Zip: 46375  
Caller : RON DELCO Phone: (219)322-2300  
Contact : BOB - OFFICE Phone:  
BestTime:  
Mobile : (219)322-2300  
Fax : (219)865-0065  
Email : BDSEWER@COMCAST.NET

Remarks : All tickets are taken and processed on Eastern Daylight Time  
STILL NEED ALL UTILITIES TO RESPOND TO REQUEST ASAP--CALLER STATES BROAD ST AT  
MAIN ST WAS NOT MARKED--CREW ON SITE--THANK YOU  
Will you be white-lining the dig site area? NO  
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Submitted date: 06/19/2012 Time: 09:02  
Members: BE COMCN IB ID0918 ID2601 ID3838 ID5693 NIPSCO SM ID2600

CASE # 3206

NIPSCO 01124 IUPPSa 06/18/2012 14:58:22 1206122010-01A NORM 2NDR GRID

SECOND NOTICE 2ND NOTICE

Ticket : 1206122010 Date: 06/18/2012 Time: 14:55 Oper: AOWENS Chan:041  
Old Tkt: 1206122010 Date: 06/12/2012 Time: 12:24 Oper: RON.DELCO Rev: 00A

State: IN Cnty: LAKE Twp: CALUMET  
Cityname: GRIFFITH Inside: Y Near: N  
Subdivision:

Address :  
Street : S BROAD ST  
Cross 1 : MAIN ST Within 1/4 mile: Y  
Location: ENTIRE STREET AND ROWS FROM MAIN MANUAL SOUTH TO RR CROSSING  
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Grids : 4131D8725B 4131C8725B  
Boundary: n 41.523354 s 41.519917 w -87.428505 e -87.426132

Work type : SEWER AND WATER MIAN INSTALLATION  
Done for : WALSH & KELLY  
Start date: 06/14/2012 Time: 12:45 Hours notice: 0/0 Priority: NORM  
Ug/Oh/Both: U Blasting: N Boring: N Railroad: N Emergency: N  
Duration : ONE WEEK Depth: 5 FEET

Company : B AND D SEWER AND BACKHOE Type: CONT  
Co addr : 531 WINSTON CT  
City : SCHERERVILLE State: IN Zip: 46375  
Caller : RON DELCO Phone: (219)322-2300  
Contact : BOB - OFFICE Phone:  
BestTime:  
Mobile : (219)322-2300  
Fax : (219)865-0065  
Email : BDSEWER@COMCAST.NET

Remarks : All tickets are taken and processed on Eastern Daylight Time  
PER RON DELCO--NEEDS NIPSCO TO RETURN ASAP AND COMPLETE THE MARKINGS TO THE  
SERVICE LINE FOR 120 S BROAD ST--THANK YOU  
Will you be white-lining the dig site area? NO  
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Submitted date: 06/18/2012 Time: 14:55  
Members: BE COMCN IB ID0918 ID2601 ID3838 ID5693 NIPSCO SM ID2600

CASE # 3206

NIPSCO 00611 IUPPSa 06/12/2012 12:32:17 1206122010-00A NORM NEW GRID

NORMAL NOTICE

Ticket : 1206122010 Date: 06/12/2012 Time: 12:24 Oper: RON.DELCO Chan:000

State: IN Cnty: LAKE Twp: CALUMET  
Cityname: GRIFFITH Inside: Y Near: N  
Subdivision:

Address :

Street : S BROAD ST

Cross 1 : MAIN ST Within 1/4 mile: Y

Location: ENTIRE STREET AND ROWS FROM MAIN MANUAL SOUTH TO RR CROSSING

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Grids : 4131D8725B 4131C8725B

Boundary: n 41.523354 s 41.519917 w -87.428505 e -87.426132

Work type : SEWER AND WATER MIAN INSTALLATION

Done for : WALSH & KELLY

Start date: 06/14/2012 Time: 12:45 Hours notice: 48/48 Priority: NORM

Ug/Oh/Both: U Blasting: N Boring: N Railroad: N Emergency: N

Duration : ONE WEEK Depth: 5 FEET

Company : B AND D SEWER AND BACKHOE Type: CONT

Co addr : 531 WINSTON CT

City : SCHERERVILLE State: IN Zip: 46375

Caller : RON DELCO Phone: (219)322-2300

Contact : BOB - OFFICE Phone:

BestTime:

Mobile : (219)322-2300

Fax : (219)865-0065

Email : BDSEWER@COMCAST.NET

Remarks : All tickets are taken and processed on Eastern Daylight Time

Will you be white-lining the dig site area? NO

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Submitted date: 06/12/2012 Time: 12:24

Members: BE COMCN IB ID0918 ID2601 ID3838 ID5693 NIPSCO SM ID2600

CASE # 3206

NORTHERN INDIANA PUBLIC SERVICE COMPANY
FACILITY DAMAGE REPORT

\*\* COMPLETE FORM FOR ALL DAMAGES TO NIPSCO FACILITIES \*\*

REPORTING OPERATING AREA HAM'D MAXIMO WO #
OPERATING AREA CONTACT KEBBIE + NICK JOB ORDER # 569678
TRACKING NUMBER 018-2012-0620-008 LOCATE REF #
Locate Performed By:

DATE AND TIME OF ACCIDENT 6-20 2012 9:42AM DATE OF REPORT 6-20-12
PLACE OF DAMAGE (INCLUDE CITY) 120 S. BROAD ST #A

DAMAGE WAS TO:
ELECTRIC - POLE / TRANSFORMER: # SIZE YEAR INSTALLED BROKEN YES ( ) NO ( )

OTHER (DESCRIBE)

GAS: SERVICE MAIN ( ) SIZE 1 1/2" MATERIAL: PLASTIC ( ) STEEL ( ) METER ( ) REG STATION ( ) STUB ( )
OTHER (DESCRIBE)

DEPTH OF FACILITY (inches) 12" PRESSURE (PSI) 40 Lbs. Main was shallow due to contractor stripping

RELEASE OF GAS: YES ( ) NO ( ) IGNITION OF GAS: YES ( ) NO ( ) EVACUATION REQUIRED: YES ( ) # NO ( ) UNKNOWN

INTERRUPTION OF SERVICE: YES ( ) NO ( ) NUMBER OF CUSTOMERS LOST: 2 amount of

DURATION OF INTERRUPTION: TIME REPORTED 9:42AM TIME RESTORED 12:37pm grade for road improvement.
DIAMETER/MEASUREMENT OF HOLE IN GAS FACILITY: hole 50% of diameter of 1 1/2" PVC

LOCATE MARKS ON SITE: YES ( ) DISTANCE BETWEEN FACILITY AND LOCATE MARKS NO ( )
HOW LOCATED: PAINT ( ) FLAGS ( ) BOTH ( ) WHITE LINED ( )

PARTY THAT CAUSED DAMAGES (NAME) B+D SEWER

ADDRESS OF PARTY (INCLUDE CITY) 531 WINDSOR CT SCHERERVILLE, IN. 219-322-2300

WHO WAS IN CHARGE OF THE WORK SITE AT TIME OF DAMAGE
WITNESS NAME AND ADDRESS

WITNESS REMARKS

AGENCIES NOTIFIED / ONSITE: POLICE ( ) AGENCY REPORT #
FIRE ( ) AGENCY REPORT #
OTHER ( ) Any Injuries? ( ) YES # ( ) NO

PHOTOS TAKEN: YES ( ) NO ( ) TAKEN BY: T SANCHEZ (ATTACH PHOTOS TO REPORT)
MEDIA ON SITE YES ( ) NO ( )

- WORK IN PROGRESS WHEN FACILITY DAMAGED - CHECK APPROPRIATE CHOICE BELOW
( ) AGRICULTURE/FARMING ( ) CABLE TV ( ) CURB/SIDEWALK ( ) TELECOMMUNICATIONS
( ) BLDG CONSTRUCTION ( ) DEMOLITION ( ) DRAINAGE ( ) WATER
( ) DRIVEWAY ( ) ELECTRIC ( ) SURVEYING ( ) DRAINS/CULVERTS
( ) FENCING ( ) GRADING ( ) IRRIGATION ( ) MOWING
( ) LANDSCAPING ( ) PIPELINE ( ) MILLING ( ) OTHER
( ) POLE/SIGN POST ( ) ROAD WORK ( ) SEWER

- TYPE OF EQUIPMENT USED - CHECK APPROPRIATE CHOICE BELOW
( ) AUGER ( ) HAND TOOLS ( ) BACKHOE/TRACKHOE
( ) MILLING EQUIPMENT ( ) PROBING DEVICE ( ) BORING / DRILLING
( ) EXPLOSIVES ( ) TRENCHER ( ) FARM EQUIPMENT
( ) VACCUUM EQUIPMENT ( ) GRADER ( ) OTHER

- REASON DAMAGE OCCURRED - CHECK APPROPRIATE CHOICE BELOW
( ) AUTOMOTIVE ACCIDENT ( ) EXCAVATING BEFORE LOCATES DUE ( ) CARELESS MACHINE OPERATOR
( ) NO NOTIFICATION ( ) MARKS DISTURBED ( ) STUB ( ) OTHER NO MARKS

COMMENTS :

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PERSON PREPARING REPORT

SVC man & Field sup

FIELD SUPERVISOR

Tony Sanchez

FIELD MANAGER

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- ORIGINAL REPORT AND SUPPORTING INFORMATION IS TO BE SENT TO FACILITY DAMAGE RECOVERY
- COPY OF REPORT IS TO BE SENT TO DAMAGE PREVENTION

SKETCH: - Show position of all pertinent information

**FOR OFFICE USE ONLY:**

- |   |     |    |
|---|-----|----|
| • DID EXCAVATION OCCUR BEFORE LOCATES WERE DUE  | YES | NO |
| • NO IN 811 LOCATE CALLED IN                    | YES | NO |
| • DAMAGE CAUSED FROM EXCAVATION WITHIN 24" ZONE | YES | NO |
| • EXPIRED LOCATE                                | YES | NO |
| • WAS WHITE LINING INDICATED ON LOCATE REQUEST  | YES | NO |

COMPLETED BY:

\_\_\_\_\_ DATE: \_\_\_\_\_



101 West Ohio Street, Suite 1707  
Indianapolis, IN 46204

October 3, 2012

[Via Electronic Transmission – PipelineDamageCase@urc.in.gov](mailto:PipelineDamageCase@urc.in.gov)

Pipeline Safety Division – Case No. 3206  
Indiana Utility Regulatory Commission  
101 West Washington Street, Suite 1500 East  
Indianapolis, Indiana 46204

RE: Notification of Possible Violations; Pipeline Division Case No. 3206  
Date of Event: 6/20/2012  
Event Location: S Broad St, Griffith, IN  
Excavator: B and D Sewer and Backhoe  
Other Party: N/A

To Whom It May Concern:

This letter responds to the Indiana Utility Regulatory Commission, Division of Pipeline Safety, Notification of Possible Violations for Case No. 3206 (as detailed above) identifying potential violations of Indiana law dated September 13, 2012. NIPSCO has not identified any additional information related to this incident not already provided in its August 13, 2012 response.

If there are any additional questions, please contact the undersigned.

Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Christopher C. Earle".

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