



Pipeline Safety Division Investigation Report

Investigation regarding: **Altom Transport**

UPPAC Database Record ID: 3464

Investigator: Howard Friend

Report Date: 10/18/2012

Damage Date: 6/21/2012

Damage Address: 111 142nd St

City: Hammond

County: Lake

The Parties

Excavator: **Altom Transport**

Contact: Russell Brownfield

Address: 111 E 142nd St, Hammond, In 46327

Telephone: 219 230 1066

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): \$200

Excavator Activities/Cause of damage information:

Excavator request locates: Yes Indiana 811 ticket Number: 1206121960

Type of Equipment: Backhoe/Trackhoe

Type of work performed: Grading

Synopsis: A natural gas service was damaged during excavation for a drive.

Findings: Reported by NIPSCO; excavator's response to initial notice was received on 10/24/2012. The excavator had a valid locate request and the operator provided accurate locate marks.

Conclusion: Excavator failed to maintain the required clearance with mechanized equipment.

Violation: IC 8-1-26-20(b): Failure to plan excavation to avoid damage or interference with underground facilities; Failure to maintain two (2) feet clearance with mechanized equipment.

Northern Indiana Public Service Company
DAMAGE CLAIM BILL

CLAIM NO.: **INV#**
 12 2087

JOB ORDER NO.: **PO#**
 568637

DATE: October 05, 2012

Altom Transport
 7439 West Archer Avenue
 Summit, IL 60501

RECEIVED OCT 15 2012

PAYMENT DUE 28 DAYS FROM ABOVE DATE.
 PLEASE MAKE REMITTANCE PAYABLE TO:
 NORTHERN INDIANA PUBLIC SERVICE COMPANY
 801 E. 86TH AVENUE
 MERRILLVILLE, INDIANA 46410-6271
 ATTENTION: FACILITY DAMAGES RECOVERY

PLEASE DETACH HERE AND RETURN THIS PORTION WITH PAYMENT

AMOUNT REMITTED

AMOUNT DUE
\$ 200.46

DATE	DESCRIPTION	AMOUNT
06/21/12	Expense incurred as the result of damage to NIPSCO facilities located in the vicinity of 111 142nd Street, Hammond, Indiana, by the above organization.	
	LABOR:	\$ 135.54
	MATERIAL:	17.47
	EQUIPMENT:	25.80
	GAS LOSS:	21.65
	TOTAL EXPENSE:	\$ 200.46

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ALTOM	WARREN
DATE: 10/21/12	
FOR: _____	
(STOCK / SHOP / OFFICE)	
BY: <i>[Signature]</i>	

If you have any questions regarding this bill, please contact Mary Lechowicz, Leader Facility Damages, at 219-647-4033 or 1-800-884-2684



Know what's below.
 Call before you dig.

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(219) 647-4033
(800) 884-2684

October 05, 2012

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7439 West Archer Avenue
Summit, IL 60501

RE: Our Claim 12 2087

Gentlemen:

Enclosed is our Damage Claim Bill in the amount of \$200.46, being the expense this Company incurred as the result of your contact with our facilities located in the vicinity of 111 142nd Street, Hammond, Indiana. Our reports indicate that our facilities were damaged on June 21, 2012.

If you have insurance to cover this type of damage claim, please forward the enclosed Damage Claim Bill and envelope to your insurance carrier for payment and advise this Department of the company's name and address so that we can follow the matter to a conclusion. In the event you are not insured, your check, draft or money order in the above amount is hereby requested. To insure proper credit to your account, please remit the top portion of the Damage Claim Bill, along with your payment, in the enclosed pre-addressed envelope.

If you wish to discuss this matter further, please contact the undersigned.

Sincerely,



MARY L. LECHOWICZ
Leader Facility Damages

MLL:ke

Enclosure

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MARY L. LECHOWICZ
Leader Facility Damages

MLL:ke

Enclosure

Wally Piszczor

From: posreply@digtrack.com
Sent: Tuesday, June 12, 2012 1:14 PM
Subject: Positive Response Notification

DIGTRACK POSITIVE RESPONSE NOTIFICATION
www.digtrack.com
Call Before You Dig

Date: 2012/06/12
Time: 14:12
To : RUSSELL BROWNFIELD
Company: ALTOM TRANSPORT

From: PRAXAIR

Subject: Request for Underground Location

This message is being sent in response to your request for underground utility location. The following represents a list of responses for the indicated member codes. These responses only pertain to the specific member codes.

=====
Ticket : 1206121960
Member : ID2554
Place : HAMMOND Address : 111 E 142ND ST
Site Status: NO CONFLICT Markings: NONE
Message : Praxair is clear at this site
Notes :

If there are any questions regarding this transmission or if you arrive at the site and have a question about the work site, please call 219-391-5127

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MAIN OFFICE 7439 W. ARCHER AVENUE - SUMMIT, ILLINOIS 60501 - PHONE: 773-284-4400
DISPATCH TERMINAL 4243 S. KNOX AVENUE - CHICAGO, ILLINOIS 60632 - PHONE: 800-327-8903
FAX: 773-735-9671

10/24/12

William Boyd
Director Pipeline Safety Division
101 West Washington Street
Suite 1500B
Indianapolis, IN 46327

Case # 3464

Mr. Boyd,

Regarding the gas, line breakage at our 111 142nd Street location in Hammond Indiana. We were having some issues with a sewer line and it was determined there was a break in the pipe. One of our newly hired mechanics was a plumber in a previous position. He claimed to have the proper knowledge and expertise to make what we thought was a simple repair. I know the call was made to have the property marked for underground hazards and we then proceeded with the repair. While digging with the machinery, he lost track of the marking lines and they were covered over with soil. Unfortunately, we then broke the gas pipe. Fortunately for us, nobody was hurt. The mechanic involved has subsequently terminated. We are in the liquid fuel and chemical transportation business and do take incidents like this very lightly, henceforth the termination. We apologize for the failure to follow proper safety regulations and put ourselves at your mercy. I am attaching copies of the NIPSCO invoice for the repairs and the two dig confirmations we received allowing us to proceed. Please don't hesitate to call if you need anything else regarding this matter.

Sincerely,
Wally Piszczor



Altom Transport Inc. / Al Warren Oil Co.
Director of Terminal Operations
wally@altomtransport.com / wally@alwarrenoil.com
773-735-6900 Ext. 236
773-789-6236 Direct
312-218-2413 Cellular
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101 West Ohio Street, Suite 1707
Indianapolis, IN 46204

October 16, 2012

Via Electronic Transmission – PipelineDamageCase@urc.in.gov

Pipeline Safety Division – Case No. 3464
Indiana Utility Regulatory Commission
101 West Washington Street, Suite 1500 East
Indianapolis, Indiana 46204

RE: Investigation Request for Information; Pipeline Division Case No. 3464

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: 6/21/2012

Event Location: 111 142nd St, Hammond

Facility Owner: Northern Indiana Public Service Company

Excavator: Altom Transport

Other Party: N/A

Pipeline Division Case No. 3464

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

IURC INFORMATION REQUEST	
Pipeline Safety Division Case No. 3464	
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Event Location	111 142nd St, Hammond
Facility Owner	Northern Indiana Public Service Company
Excavator	Altom Transport
Date of IURC Information Request	9/18/2012
THE PARTIES	
EXCAVATOR:	
BUSINESS NAME	Altom Transport
RESPONSIBLE PARTY PERSONAL NAME	
TITLE (IF ANY)	
ADDRESS	7439 W. Archer Avenue
CITY/ STATE/ZIP	Summit, IL 60501
PREFERRED TELEPHONE	
CELL PHONE TELEPHONE	
EMAIL ADDRESS	
FACILITY INFORMATION - OWNER/OPERATOR OF UTILITY LINE:	
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	LSELKING@NISOURCE.COM
LOCATOR SERVICE INFORMATION	
BUSINESS NAME	USIC
RESPONSIBLE PARTY PERSONAL NAME	Morgan Thompson
TITLE (IF ANY)	Claims Coordinator
ADDRESS	9045 N. River Rd. Suite 300
CITY/ STATE/ZIP	Indianapolis, IN 46240
PREFERRED TELEPHONE	1-317-538-7301
CELL PHONE TELEPHONE	
EMAIL ADDRESS	morganthompson@usicinc.com
OTHER (WITNESS, POLICE, FIRE, OTHER) INFORMATION	
PERSONAL CONTACT	
BUSINESS/ORGANIZATION NAME	
TITLE (IF ANY)	

ADDRESS	
CITY/ STATE/ZIP	
PREFERRED TELEPHONE	
CELL PHONE TELEPHONE	
EMAIL ADDRESS	
UTILITY LINE IMPACT	
LOCATION OF DAMAGE	
ADDRESS	1111 142 nd
CITY/STATE/ZIP	Hammond, IN 46327
NEAREST INTERSECTION	S Sheffield Ave
PRODUCT TYPE (Select One)	
NATURAL GAS	X
LIQUID PIPELINE	
UNKNOWN/OTHER	
FACILITY TYPE (Select One)	
DISTRIBUTION	
GATHERING	
SERVICE/DROP	X
TRANSMISSION	
UNKNOWN/OTHER	
SIZE (DIAMETER/ETC.)	1 1/8" plastic
PRESSURE (PSIG/INCHES)	45
INTERRUPTION IN SERVICE (YES/NO)	Yes
NUMBER OF CUSTOMERS AFFECTED	1
EVACUATION (YES/NO)	No
IF YES, HOW MANY EVACUATED	0
REPAIR COST (IF KNOWN) (\$)	
CAUSE OF DAMAGE INFORMATION:	
TYPE OF EQUIPMENT (Select One)	
Auger	
Backhoe/Trackhoe	X
Boring/Drilling	
Directional Drilling	
Explosives	
Farm Equipment	
Grader/Scraper	
Hand Tools	
Milling Equipment	
Probing Device	

Trancher	
Vacuum Equipment	
Unknown/Other	
TYPE OF WORK PERFORMED (Select 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)	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)	No
LOCATE INFORMATION:	
EXCAVATOR REQUEST LOCATE (YES/NO)	Yes

INDIANA 811 LOCATE TICKET NUMBER	1206121960
LOCATE MARKS VISIBLE (YES/NO)	Yes
LOCATE MARKS CORRECT (YES/NO)	Yes
EXCAVATOR "WHITE LINED" (YES/NO)	No
MAPS USED TO MARK FACILITIES (YES/NO)	Yes
OPERATOR EMPLOYEES ON-SITE DURING EXCAVATION (YES/NO)	No
INCIDENT IMPACT INFORMATION	
NUMBER OF OUTPATIENT TREATED	0
NUMBER OF INPATIENT TREATED	0
NUMBER OF FATALITIES	0
FIRE DEPARTMENT RESPONSE (YES/NO)	N/A
POLICE DEPARTMENT RESPONSE (YES/NO)	N/A
AMBULANCE RESPONSE (YES/NO)	N/A
ADDITIONAL INFORMATION/COMMENTS	
<p>Failure to maintain clearance.</p> <p>No damage ticket.</p> <p>Nipsco emergency repair ticket 1206212768.</p>	

Fact Based Investigation Report

NOTIFICATION ID: 01820120621012 **DISTRICT:** Northern IN
DAMAGE DATE: 6/21/2012 1:15:00 PM **NOTIFICATION DATE:** 6/21/2012 2:35:01 PM
NOTIFIED BY: Kate Facility Owner
DAMAGE ADDRESS: 111 142nd street (lake cty)
CITY: Hammond **ST:** IN **ZIP:**

DAMAGED CUSTOMER: NIPSCO

INVESTIGATION DATE: 06/22/2012
FROM: 14:00:00 **TO:** 14:20:00

EXCAVATOR INVOLVED: UNKNOWN
TYPE OF EXCAVATION: Grading driveway area

ORIG. LOCATE REQ.: 1206121960 **START DATE/TIME:** 6/14/2012 12:25:00 PM
TYPE OF TICKET: Routine **LOCATE REQ. INFO N/A:**

DIG UP/DAMAGE REQ.: M54306604 **START DATE/TIME:** 6/22/2012 2:10:00 PM

PICTURES TAKEN BY: Bob Anderson **DATE/TIME:** 6/22/2012 2:10:00 PM
PHOTOGRAPHY TYPE: Digital **FRAME #:** 1

INVESTIGATOR EMP#: 117382 **INVESTIGATOR NAME:** Bob Anderson
BASED ON YOUR INVESTIGATION, IS FURTHER INVESTIGATION NEEDED? No

Fact Based Investigation Customer Information

NOTIFICATION ID: 01820120621012
SELECT A CUSTOMER: NIPSCO
CUSTOMER #: *(optional)*

FACILITY DESCRIPTION: LOWPROF **FACILITY ID:** Gas Service
LOCATOR NAME & EMP #: Johnson Vince - 118013
LOCATOR NOT KNOWN:

CHECK ALL THAT APPLY TO INVESTIGATION:
Facility Marked Accurately

Other:

CHECK ALL THAT APPLY TO METHOD OF INVESTIGATION (at least one must be checked):
Visual, Facility Exposed At Time Of Investigation,

Investigator Verified Existing Marks By Hooking Up

INVESTIGATOR STATEMENT/CAUSAL FACTORS:

The contractor for this business was grading the side driveway for repaving when they accidentally cut the plastic gas service. Service was marked accurately with paint in work area. Marks still visible around valve

NAMES OF UTILITY REPRESENTATIVES CONTACTED OR ON SITE AND STATEMENT:

None

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

Employees from business stated that gas service was hit while grading down drive.

LIST ANY OTHER INDIVIDUALS ON SITE:

None

WERE ANY MARKINGS VISIBLE ON THE DAMAGE SITE UPON ARRIVAL? Yes

WERE ANY OTHER INDICATORS OF FACILITY PRESENT IN THE AREA? Yes

WAS THE EXCAVATION WITHIN THE TOLERANCE ZONE OF MARKS? Yes

EXTENT OF FACILITY DAMAGE cut into gas service

REPLACEMENT FOOTAGE N/A

WAS CONTRACTOR ASSISTANCE REQUIRED? IF YES, WHO? No

WHAT CONTRACTOR EQUIPMENT WAS USED? Unk

IS THE FACILITY SHOWN ON THE UTILITY RECORDS? No

IF YES, PLEASE LIST RECORD #(S)

NIPSCO 00593 IUPPSa 06/12/2012 12:28:05 1206121960-00A NORM NEW GRID

NORMAL NOTICE

Ticket : 1206121960 Date: 06/12/2012 Time: 12:19 Oper: RJOHNSON Chan:002

State: IN Cnty: LAKE Twp: NORTH
Cityname: HAMMOND Inside: Y Near: N
Subdivision:

CASE #
3464

Address : 111
Street : E 142ND ST
Cross 1 : S SHEFFIELD AVE Within 1/4 mile: Y
Location: AT THE ABOVE ADDRESS--LOCATE THE ENTIRE PAVED AREA ON THE SOUTH AND WEST SIDES OF THE PROPERTY

:
Grids : 4138D8731D 4138C8731D 4138D8731C 4138C8731C 4138D8731B
Grids : 4138C8731B
Boundary: n 41.638439 s 41.635513 w -87.525146 e -87.517776

Work type : REPAIRING DRAINAGE TILE
Done for : ALTOM TRANSPORT
Start date: 06/14/2012 Time: 12:30 Hours notice: 48/48 Priority: NORM
Ug/Oh/Both: U Blasting: N Boring: N Railroad: N Emergency: N
Duration : 2 WEEKS Depth: UNKNOWN

Company : ALTOM TRANSPORT Type: OTHR
Co addr : 111 E 142ND ST
City : HAMMOND State: IN Zip: 46327
Caller : RUSSELL BROWNFIELD Phone: (219)230-1066
Contact : RUSSELL BROWNFIELD---OFFICE Phone:
BestTime:
Mobile : (219)230-1066
Email : RUSS@ALTOMTRANSPORT.COM

Remarks : All tickets are taken and processed on Eastern Daylight Time
Will you be white-lining the dig site area? NO
:

Submitted date: 06/12/2012 Time: 12:19
Members: COMCN IB ID2554 ID6405 ID6428 ID8910 ID9379 NIPSCO SM

NORTHERN INDIANA PUBLIC SERVICE COMPANY
FACILITY DAMAGE REPORT

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

REPORTING OPERATING AREA: Hamid
MAXIMO WO #:
OPERATING AREA CONTACT: Hamid
JOB ORDER #: 58637
TRACKING NUMBER: 018-2012-0621-012
LOCATE REF #:
Locate Performed By:

DATE AND TIME OF ACCIDENT: 6-21 2012, M
DATE OF REPORT: 6-21-12
PLACE OF DAMAGE (INCLUDE CITY): 111 142nd Hammond

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

OTHER (DESCRIBE):
GAS: SERVICE () MAIN () SIZE 1 1/8" MATERIAL: PLASTIC () STEEL () METER () REG STATION () STUB ()

DEPTH OF FACILITY (inches): 18" PRESSURE (PSI): 45 Lbs.
Excavator had removed an unknown amount of grade.

RELEASE OF GAS: YES () NO () IGNITION OF GAS: YES () NO () EVACUATION REQUIRED: YES () # NO ()
INTERRUPTION OF SERVICE: YES () NO () NUMBER OF CUSTOMERS LOST: 1

DURATION OF INTERRUPTION: TIME REPORTED 13:30 TIME RESTORED 14:30
DIAMETER/MEASUREMENT OF HOLE IN GAS FACILITY: Cut in half
Depth not calculating unknown grade removed

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

PARTY THAT CAUSED DAMAGES (NAME):

ADDRESS OF PARTY (INCLUDE CITY): Atom Transport - Warren Oil Company

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:
MEDIA ON SITE YES () NO () (ATTACH PHOTOS TO REPORT)

- 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

COMMENTS :

PERSON PREPARING REPORT Sic man on scene / Tony Sanchez^{Supr}

FIELD SUPERVISOR Tony Sanchez

FIELD MANAGER _____

- 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: _____



DAMAGE INFORMATION REPORT – PIPELINE SAFETY DIVISION

State Form 54122 (R2 / 7-11)

INDIANA UTILITY REGULATORY COMMISSION

Submitted to IURC-Pipeline Safety on: Aug 10, 2012

Who is submitting this information?

Name of person providing this information: Carrie Ludwig

Business address (*number and street*): 3511 East 15th Ave

City, State, and ZIP code: Gary, IN 46403

Telephone number (*area code*): 219 962 0422

Fax number (*area code*): 219 962 0404

E-mail address: cludwig@nisource.com

Excavator Information, if known

Full name: Altom Transport

Business address (*number and street*): 111 E 142nd St

City, State, and ZIP code: Hammond, IN 46327

Telephone number (*area code*): 219 230 1066

Fax number (*area code*): _____

E-mail address: russ@altomtransport.com

Excavation or Demolition Information

Excavator type: Contractor

Excavation or demolition equipment: Backhoe/Trackhoe

Type of work performed: Sewer (Sanitary/Storm)

Date and Location of Damage

Date of damage (*month, day, year*): Jun 21, 2012

County: Lake

City: Hammond

Street address (*number and street, city, state, and ZIP code*):
111 142nd St Hammond IN

Nearest intersection: S Sheffield Ave

Right of way where damage occurred: Private - Business

Was there a release of product? Yes

If yes, was there an ignition of product? No

Were evacuations necessary as a result of release? No

If yes, how many evacuated? 0

Was there a customer service interruption? Yes

If yes, how many affected? 1

Time to restore service (*in hours*): 1

Enter number of injuries, if applicable and known: 0

Enter number of fatalities, if applicable and known: 0

Property damage, Estimate \$

Affected Facility Information

What type of pipeline was damaged? Natural Gas

What was the affected facility? Service/Drop

What was the depth of the facility, in inches? 12

Notification, Locating, Marking

Did excavator request locates prior to commencing work? Yes

Enter Indiana 811 ticket number, if known: 1206121960

Was the locate request completed within two working days? Yes

If locates were performed, were they done so by a contractor or pipeline employee? Contract Locator

If a contractor locator, enter the company name, if known: USIC _____

Were facility marks visible in the area of excavation? Yes

Were facilities marked correctly? Yes

Type of markings used: Paint

If other, please specify: _____

Was site marked by "White Lining"? No

Were special instructions part of the locate request? No

Were maps used to complete the locate request? Yes

Were pipeline company representatives on site during excavation? No

Did the excavator notify the operator in the event of this damage? Yes

Did the excavator notify Indiana 811 in the event of this damage? No

Did the excavator notify 911 in the event of a release of product? No

Description of Cause

Select from the list the most accurate cause for the damage: --Failure to maintain clearance

Additional Comments

Nipsco emergency repair ticket #: 1206212768