



Pipeline Safety Division Investigation Report

Investigation regarding: **Midwestern Electric Incorporated**

UPPAC Database Record ID: 400

Investigator: William Boyd

Report Date: 03/30/2012

Damage Date: 05/16/2011 11:00:04 AM

Damage Address: E Hanna Avenue

City: Indianapolis

County: Marion

The Parties

Excavator: **Midwestern Electric Incorporated**

Contact: Allen Brodbeck, President

Address: 3385 North Arlington Avenue, Indianapolis, In 46218

Telephone:

Facility Owner: Citizens Gas

Contact: Tony Chan

Address: 2150 Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Street, Indianapolis, IN 46202

Pipeline Facility

Facility Type: Natural Gas

Facility Function: Distribution

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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: Yes Indiana 811 ticket Number: 1105160673

Type of Equipment: Backhoe/Trackhoe

Type of work performed: Electric

Synopsis: Damage to a natural gas main occurred during work to repair or install electric service.

Findings: Reported by Indiana 811; excavator signed for initial notice on 09/26/2011 but has not responded to request for information. The locate ticket was a "Normal Notice ticket", verified by IN811, which would allow work to begin on 5/18/2011 rather than beginning the same day the locate ticket request was made from IN811. MAO 2/9/2012

Conclusion: Work commenced prior to two full working days notice; this equates to a failure to provide notice.

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

Midwestern Electric Incorporated currently has 2 reports of damages in the record, between 10/07/2010 10:49:39 AM and 05/16/2011 11:00:04 AM.

Ticket ID: Version: 00 Notice ID: IUPPS2011051600685
Taken Time: 05/16/2011 09:03
NoticeType: Normal Notice

UPPAC Case ID: 400

NORMAL NOTICE

Ticket : 1105160673 Date: 05/16/2011 Time: 09:03 Oper: STURNER Chan:000

State: IN Cnty: MARION Twp: PERRY
Cityname: INDIANAPOLIS Inside: Y Near: N
Subdivision:

Address :
Street : E HANNA AVE
Cross 1 : S STATE AVE Within 1/4 mile: Y
Location: LOCATE A 10 FEET RAIUDS OF THE SOUTHWEST CORNER
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Grids : 3942C8607A 3942B8607A

Work type : MAST FOUNDATIONS
Done for : CALUMET ASPHALT
Start date: 05/18/2011 Time: 09:15 Hours notice: 48/048 Priority: NORM
Ug/Oh/Both: U Blasting: N Boring: N Railroad: N Emergency: N
Duration : 2 WEEKS Depth: 8 FEET

Company : MIDWESTERN ELECTRIC INCORPORATED Type: CONT
Co addr : 3385 NORTH ARLINGTON AVENUE
City : INDIANAPOLIS State: IN Zip: 46218
Caller : KIM BARKER Phone: (317)545-7641
Contact : MICK HARRIS CELL Phone:
BestTime:
Mobile : (317)997-4815
Fax : (317)545-7643

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: 05/16/2011 Time: 09:03
Members: CTG ID1501 ID3639 ID5555 ID9999 SBCIN SM

Service Area: CTG (CITIZENS GAS & COKE UTILITY - INDPLS.)
Contact: Contact Information
Ph: Emerg Ph: (800)570-5767 Alt Ph:

Service Area: ID1501 (CITIZENS WATER / FORMERLY VEOLIA WATER)
Contact: SHAWN WEEKS
Ph: (317)263-6435 Emerg Ph: Alt Ph:

Service Area: ID3639 (INDIANAPOLIS, CITY OF)
Contact: CHUCK CARUFEL
Ph: (317)327-4957 Emerg Ph: Alt Ph:

Service Area: ID5555 (INDIANAPOLIS POWER & LIGHT COMPANY)
Contact: *
Ph: (317)261-8111 Emerg Ph: Alt Ph:

Service Area: ID9999 (BRIGHT HOUSE NETWORKS INDIANAPOLIS)
Contact: JEFF FARMER
Ph: (317)632-9077 x263 Emerg Ph: Alt Ph:

Service Area: SBCIN (AT&T - DISTRIBUTION)
Contact: HOWARD LAUDERMILK
Ph: (937)409-0269 Emerg Ph: Alt Ph:



DAMAGE INFORMATION REPORT – PIPELINE SAFETY DIVISION

State Form 54122 (R2 / 7-11)
INDIANA UTILITY REGULATORY COMMISSION

Submitted to IURC-Pipeline Safety on: Feb 4, 2012

Who is submitting this information?

Name of person providing this information: Tony Chan (Citizens Gas)

Business address (number and street): 2150 Dr. M.L. King Jr. St.

City, State, and ZIP code: Indianapolis, IN 46202

Telephone number (area code): (317) 927-4619

Fax number (area code): (317) 927-4619

E-mail address: AChan@CitizensEnergyGroup.com

Excavator Information, if known

Full name: MIDWESTERN ELECTRIC INC

Business address (number and street): 3385 N ARLINGTON AVE

City, State, and ZIP code: Indianapolis, IN 46218

Telephone number (area code): _____

Fax number (area code): _____

E-mail address: _____

Excavation or Demolition Information

Excavator type: Contractor

Excavation or demolition equipment: Backhoe/Trackhoe

Type of work performed: Electric

Date and Location of DamageDate of damage (*month, day, year*): May 16, 2011County: MarionCity: IndianapolisStreet address (*number and street, city, state, and ZIP code*):
E HANNA AVE & S STATE AVENearest intersection: S STATE AVERight of way where damage occurred: Public - City StreetWas there a release of product? YesIf yes, was there an ignition of product? NoWere evacuations necessary as a result of release? NoIf yes, how many evacuated? 0Was there a customer service interruption? NoIf yes, how many affected? 0Time to restore service (*in hours*): 0Enter number of injuries, if applicable and known: 0Enter number of fatalities, if applicable and known: 0Property damage, Estimate \$ 0

Affected Facility InformationWhat type of pipeline was damaged? Natural GasWhat was the affected facility? DistributionWhat was the depth of the facility, in inches? 42

Notification, Locating, MarkingDid excavator request locates prior to commencing work? YesEnter Indiana 811 ticket number, if known: 1105160673

Was the locate request completed within two working days? Yes

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

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 and Flags

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 use hand tools where required

Additional Comments

Two way feed main which was squeezed on both sides of damage.

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NO
EXCAVATOR
RESPONSE
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