



Pipeline Safety Division Investigation Report

Investigation regarding: Zach Linnemeier

UPPAC Database Record ID: 4048

Report Date: 03/15/2013

Investigator: Howard Friend

Damage Date: 10/22/2012 11:06:33 AM

Damage Address: 2117 Lima Valley Dr, Fort Wayne, Allen

The Parties

Excavator: **Zach Linnemeier**

Address: 2117 Lima Valley Dr, Fort Wayne, In 46818

Facility Owner: **NIPSCO**

Pipeline Facility

Facility Type: Natural Gas

Facility Function: Service/Drop

Type of Equipment: Backhoe/Trackhoe

Type of Work Performed: Construction

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: No

Indiana 811 Ticket Number:

Original Start Date:

Locate Instructions: Locate entire west side of property

Follow-Up Locate Instructions (if applicable):

Synopsis: A natural gas service was damaged during excavation to expose a house foundation.

Findings: Reported by Indiana 811; excavator's response to initial notice was received on 12/28/2012. The excavator/homeowner reported he requested underground locates four (4) years ago and this line was not marked. He also reports he rented the mini excavator and the tool rental store failed to inform him of the Indiana locate law.

Conclusion: There was a failure to provide notice of excavation.

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



150 West Market Street, Suite 600
Indianapolis, IN 46204

January 31, 2013

Via Electronic Transmission – PipelineDamageCase@urc.in.gov

Pipeline Safety Division – Case No. 4048
Indiana Utility Regulatory Commission
101 West Washington Street, Suite 1500 East
Indianapolis, Indiana 46204

RE: Investigation Request for Information; Pipeline Division Case No. 4048

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: 10/22/2012

Event Location: 2117 Lima Valley Dr

Facility Owner: Northern Indiana Public Service Company

Excavator: Zach Linnemeier

Other Party: N/A

Pipeline Division Case No. 4048

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,

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

IURC INFORMATION REQUEST	
Pipeline Safety Division Case No. 4048	
Date of Event	10/22/2012
Event Location	2117 Lima Valley Dr
Event City	Fort Wayne
Facility Owner	Northern Indiana Public Service Company
Excavator	Zach Linnemeier
Date of IURC Information Request	12/5/2012
THE PARTIES	
EXCAVATOR:	
BUSINESS NAME	Zach Linnemeir
RESPONSIBLE PARTY PERSONAL NAME	
TITLE (IF ANY)	
ADDRESS	2117 Lima Valley Dr
CITY/ STATE/ZIP	Fort Wayne, IN 46818
PREFERRED TELEPHONE	260-479-9145
CELL PHONE TELEPHONE	
EMAIL ADDRESS	ZACHLINN@GAMIL.COM
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	Same
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	2117 Lima Valley Dr
CITY/STATE/ZIP	Fort Wayne, IN 46818
NEAREST INTERSECTION	Lima Rd
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.)	5/8"
PRESSURE (PSIG/INCHES)	
INTERRUPTION IN SERVICE (YES/NO)	Y
NUMBER OF CUSTOMERS AFFECTED	1
EVACUATION (YES/NO)	N
IF YES, HOW MANY EVACUATED	N
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)	
Site Development	
Steam	
Storm Drain/Culvert	
Street Light	
Telecommunications	
Traffic Signal	
Traffic Sign	
Water	
Waterway Improvement	
Unknown/Other	
RELEASE OF PRODUCT (YES/NO)	Y
IGNITION AND/OR FIRE (YES/NO)	N
EXCAVATOR NOTIFY 811 (YES/NO)	Y- 1210221545
LOCATE INFORMATION:	
EXCAVATOR REQUEST LOCATE (YES/NO)	N

INDIANA 811 LOCATE TICKET NUMBER	N/A
LOCATE MARKS VISIBLE (YES/NO)	N
LOCATE MARKS CORRECT (YES/NO)	N
EXCAVATOR "WHITE LINED" (YES/NO)	N
MAPS USED TO MARK FACILITIES (YES/NO)	N
OPERATOR EMPLOYEES ON-SITE DURING EXCAVATION (YES/NO)	N
INCIDENT IMPACT INFORMATION	
NUMBER OF OUTPATIENT TREATED	0
NUMBER OF INPATIENT TREATED	0
NUMBER OF FATALITIES	0
FIRE DEPARTMENT RESPONSE (YES/NO)	Y
POLICE DEPARTMENT RESPONSE (YES/NO)	N
AMBULANCE RESPONSE (YES/NO)	N
ADDITIONAL INFORMATION/COMMENTS	
<p>No notification made to the one-call center. Nipsco emergency repair ticket 1210221759</p>	

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

WERE ANY MARKINGS VISIBLE ON THE DAMAGE SITE UPON ARRIVAL? No

WERE ANY OTHER INDICATORS OF FACILITY PRESENT IN THE AREA? No

WAS THE EXCAVATION WITHIN THE TOLERANCE ZONE OF MARKS? No

EXTENT OF FACILITY DAMAGE cut

REPLACEMENT FOOTAGE 1ft

WAS CONTRACTOR ASSISTANCE REQUIRED? IF YES, WHO? No

WHAT CONTRACTOR EQUIPMENT WAS USED? backhoe

IS THE FACILITY SHOWN ON THE UTILITY RECORDS? No

IF YES, PLEASE LIST RECORD #(S)

NIPSCO 00523 IUPPSa 10/22/2012 11:06:35 1210221545-00A EMER DAMG STRT

DAMAGE

CASE #
4048

Ticket : 1210221545 Date: 10/22/2012 Time: 11:00 Oper: TFRICKE Chan:028

State: IN Cnty: ALLEN Twp: WASHINGTON
Cityname: FORT WAYNE Inside: Y Near: N
Subdivision:

Address : 2117
Street : LIMA VALLEY DR
Cross 1 : LIMA RD Within 1/4 mile: Y
Location: LOCATE ENTIRE WEST SIDE OF PROPERTY
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Grids : 4109D8510D 4109C8510D 4109D8510C 4109C8510C
Boundary: n 41.154949 s 41.153358 w -85.172241 e -85.168991

Work type : LEAK REPAIR
Done for : ZACH LINNEMEIER
Start date: 10/22/2012 Time: 11:02 Hours notice: 0/0 Priority: EMER
Ug/Oh/Both: U Blasting: N Boring: N Railroad: N Emergency: Y
Duration : 1 DAY Depth: 3 FEET

Company : ZACH LINNEMEIER Type: HOME
Co addr : 2117 LIMA VALLEY DR
City : FORT WAYNE State: IN Zip: 46818
Caller : ZACH LINNEMEIER Phone: (260)479-9154
Contact : ZACH LINNEMEIER Phone:
BestTime:
Mobile : (260)479-9154
Email : ZACHLINN@GAMIL.COM

Remarks : All tickets are taken and processed on Eastern Daylight Time
PER ZACH - A NIPSCO GAS LINE HAS BEEN CUT - NIPSCO HAS BEEN CONATACED - DOES
NOT KNOW SIZE OR COLOR OF LINE - LINE IS BLOWING - ADVISED CALLER TO CONTACT 911
- DIGGING ON WEST SIDE OF HOUSE - NO PREVIOUS TICKET NUMBER
Will you be white-lining the dig site area? NO
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Submitted date: 10/22/2012 Time: 11:00
Members: AEPIN CC FW ID8000 NIPSCO SM

Cost of Gas Lost Calculation

11/14/2012 13:30 today's date

Version 8
(enter values in red)

571330 Job Order
10/22/12 Date of Gas Loss

STEPS

Atmospheric Pressure (NIPSCO Tariff value = 14.45 psia)
Standard or Base Pressure (psia) 14.65 psia
Standard or Base Temperature (F) 60.00 F
Gas Specific Gravity (air=1) 0.60
Gas Flowing Temperature (F) 60.00 F

1) a) Pressure Near Hole 40 psig
Internal Diameter of Ruptured Main 0.445 inches
Equivalent Diameter of Hole* 0.25 inches
Reduced Pressure Near Hole 16 psig
OR = 1.871 Mschf
Calc Flowrate from Gas Systems Planning 1.871 Mschf

2) Time Gas Escaping 1.00 hours
3) BTU Factor** 1.007 MBTU/scf
4) "No Notice IOS" Gas Cost Rate** \$4.5435 /dekatherm
OR = \$4.5719 /Mscf

Volume of gas lost 3.403 Mcf
Cost of gas lost ==> \$8.56

Time Reported:	24 hr time	AM/PM
Gas Stopped:		12:00 AM
Total Time:	0:00	

TOOLS to assist

*Calculator for Irregular Shaped Hole (not a circle)
*Equivalent Diameter of the Hole - 0
(if the Equivalent Diameter exceeds Main size, the Main Size is used in the calc)
Total Equiv Diameter Area of Hole
0 inches : = 4 X (sq. inches)
Wetted Perimeter of Hole

+ 2nd hole	+ 3rd hole	+ 4th hole
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time converter: 1 hours minutes = 1 hours

**Calculator if gas escaped spanned more than one value
**Pro-rate Calculator
0 number of hours gas escaping
"BTU Factor" (MBTU/scf) 0
"No Notice IOS" Gas Cost Rate (\$/dekatherm) \$0.00
Monthly Average "BTU Factor" 0.000 MBTU/scf
Daily Average "No Notice IOS" Gas Cost Rate \$0.0000 MBTU/scf

first day	second day	third day	fourth day	fifth day
0	0	0	0	0
\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00

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11/14/2012 13:30 todays date

Version 8
(enter values in red)

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\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00

NORTHERN INDIANA PUBLIC SERVICE COMPANY
FACILITY DAMAGE REPORT

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

REPORTING OPERATING AREA FORT WAYNE MAXIMO WO# m 589016
OPERATING AREA CONTACT ROGER BROWN JOB ORDER # JO 571330
TRACKING NUMBER 018-2012-1022-004 LOCATE REF #
Locate Performed By:

DATE AND TIME OF ACCIDENT 10/22/12 20 12:55AM DATE OF REPORT 10/22/12
PLACE OF DAMAGE (INCLUDE CITY) 2117 Lima Valley Dr Ft Wayne, IN 46818

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

OTHER (DESCRIBE)

GAS: SERVICE MAIN () SIZE 78 MATERIAL: PLASTIC () STEEL () METER () REG STATION () STUB ()
OTHER (DESCRIBE)

DEPTH OF FACILITY (inches) 27" PRESSURE (PSI) MED Lbs. 40 lbs.

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 10:58 TIME SHUT OFF 11:58 TIME RESTORED 13:00

DIAMETER/MEASUREMENT OF HOLE IN GAS FACILITY: 4" nick

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

PARTY THAT CAUSED DAMAGES (NAME) Zachariah Linnemeier

ADDRESS OF PARTY (INCLUDE CITY) 2117 Lima Valley Dr FT Wayne

WHO WAS IN CHARGE OF THE WORK SITE AT TIME OF DAMAGE Zachariah Linnemeier

WITNESS NAME AND ADDRESS T. HANES, P. TAYLOR, N. BAUER

WITNESS REMARKS NO LOCATES

AGENCIES NOTIFIED / ONSITE: POLICE () AGENCY REPORT #

FIRE () AGENCY Fort Wayne REPORT #

OTHER () Any Injuries? () YES # () NO

PHOTOS TAKEN: YES () NO () TAKEN BY: (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 FOUNDATION
() 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

Section 1 - To be Completed by the First Responder (Information known during initial investigation)

CIS Ticket Number: 124315200 Date Reported: 10-22-12 Time Leak Reported (Military): 10:58

LOA: Fort Wayne GPS Coordinates: Latitude _____ N Longitude _____ W

City Name: Fort Wayne

Address or Location: 2117 Lima valley Dr A# 203152
M 589016

- Leak Location:
- No Leak Found
 - Customer Equip.
 - Main
 - Service
 - Meter Loop (Locking and above)
 - Regulator Station

For Services Only:
Re-tested at 90 PSIG
for 15 minutes

- Leak Grade:
- Hazardous
 - Non-Hazardous, Scheduled Repairs
 - Non-Hazardous, Monitored

- Leak Resolution
- Leak Repaired
 - Pipe Replaced } Leak Closed
 - Pipe Retired
 - Grade 2 or 3 Leak Not Repaired To be scheduled for re-evaluation/repair

If marked and not making repairs you must complete **bold box** below.
If repairs are made, complete all Section 2.

Residual Gas Present: Yes No (Grade 1 Leak Only)

1st Responder: User ID: 021652 TODD A HANES Leak Referred to: Gas Street
(FIRST NAME) (MI) (LAST NAME)

Section 2 - To be Completed by the Person Making Repairs to a Grade 1, 2 or 3 Leak

Comments: REPAIRED LEAK ON SERVICE

Repaired/Inspected: 10-22-12 Time: 13:00 (Military) User ID: 009139 PAH L TAYLOR
MO DAY YR HR MIN (FIRST NAME) (MI) (LAST NAME)

Cause of Leak:

- A. Material or Welds
- Faulty weld, dent, gouge, excess stress
 - Manufacturing defect
- B. Corrosion
- External
 - Internal
 - Stress Corrosion Cracking (must be confirmed by Corrosion group)

- C. Weather/Outside Forces
- Natural Forces (weather, washouts, frost heave, frozen equipment etc.)
 - Other Outside Forces (fire, explosion, vandalism etc.) (explain in comments)
- D. Excavation
- Company Crew
 - Contractor Crew
 - Third Party

- E. Equipment Failure and Operations
- Inadequate or failure to follow correct procedures
 - Equipment Malfunction (i.e. gasket/o-ring failure, stripped threads etc.)
- F. Other (Explain in comments) (includes thread lead)
- No Locate Request
 - Request, No Locate
 - Mislocated
 - Accurate Locate

Third Party Name: HOME OWNER

CIS Grid Number: _____ Pipe Size: 5/8 inches Soil Condition: dry moist wet

Corrosion CP Section Number (Steel): _____ Transmission Line section _____

Section 3 - For Reporting Results of a Scheduled Re-inspection or Repair ONLY.

- Re-evaluated Leak Resolution
- Leak Repaired
 - Pipe Replaced } Leak Closed
 - Pipe Retired
 - No Leak Found
 - Leak Re-classified
 - Grade 2 or 3 Leak, Schedule for repair/re-evaluation

- Re-classified Leak Grade:
- Hazardous
 - Non-Hazardous, Scheduled Repairs
 - Non-Hazardous, Monitored

- Material:
- Coated Steel
 - Bare Steel
 - Plastic
 - Cast Iron
 - Copper
 - Wrought Iron
- Pipeline Identifier:
- Distribution
 - Transmission
 - Transmission HCA

Re-evaluation Comments: _____

Repaired/Re-evaluated: _____ Time: _____ (Military) User ID: _____
MO DAY YR HR MIN (FIRST NAME) (MI) (LAST NAME)

TIME IN: 7:30 AM TIME OUT:

NIPSCO INDIVIDUAL EMPLOYEE RECORD (SD-1)

PAGE OF PAGES

Employee Id # **021652** Name **Todd Hines** DATE **10/30/12** HRI NUMBER **573-212-000** SUPV. NO. AUTH. *T. Hines*

JOB DETAIL

DEPT: Argosie Gas Service

ACTUAL HOURS	L D C	ACCOUNT NUMBER	ACTIVITY NUMBER	UPGRADE JOB NO.	HOURS				BONUS CODE				UNITS		VARIANCE		EQUIP	
					MULT	CODE	1	2	3	4	1	2	CODE	HOURS	Q#	YRS		
25		Briefing	1039901				10-31											
1 25		To 1619 Sherman Blvd	6546522				10-31											
50		SONP	2016524				10-31											
50		2276 Cromwell	2016524				10-31											
50		SONP	2016524				10-31											
50		2104 Lathrop	6546522				10-31											
50		To 2016 Morgan Creek	6546522				10-31											
50		TO 415 Dalgren Ave	2016524				10-31											
50		SONP	2016524				10-31											
1 60		244 Northport Dr	6546522				10-31											
1 50		2016 Morgan Creek	6546522				10-31											
1 50		H.T. Service	6546522				10-31											
1 00		2117 Lisa Valley Dr	30571330				10-31											
50		LeBoeuf motor sol	30571330				10-31											
50		2117 Lisa Valley Dr	6546512				10-31											
50		Exchange motor sol	6546512				10-31											
50		2117 Lisa Valley Dr	30571330				10-31											
50		Truck 1	7156511				15-50											
50		4923 Coldwater	410000-90				15-50											

<TOTAL 8 20

10	8.00
12	
15	.50
20	
25	

CLOCK HOURS TO BE PAID @

AUTOMOTIVE EQUIPMENT Initial

EQUIPMENT NUMBER 31579

Condition of the above vehicle is satisfactory

SP RATES

REPEATED RECORDS

NO. OF HOLIDAYS

Gas Odor: Weak & Good Strong

File Edit View Database Tools Help
 Title: [unclear] [unclear] [unclear]
 Case No: 149020911

Notes	Subject	Entry Date	System
	MISCELLANEOUS	02/26/11 09	#4554

Text
 BEST AVAILABLE PHOTOGRAPH SUBMITTED BY HATFIELD, LANGWELL &
 SERVICE COMPANY
 (MAY) EMERGENCY LOCATED NUMBER FOR 800-11-1122
 TRACKER # 101202004
 DATE OF: 02/26/11

Add Note

List of Associated Notes

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[unclear] [unclear] [unclear]

[unclear] [unclear] [unclear] [unclear] [unclear] [unclear] [unclear] [unclear] [unclear] [unclear]



From: [Zach Linnemeier](#)
To: [IURC PipelineDamageCase](#)
Subject: Claim Number 122309
Date: Friday, December 28, 2012 2:48:09 PM

Dear Indiana Regulatory Commission,
My name is Zach Linnemeier and on October 22nd 2012 I was digging on the side of my home in order to fix cracks in the basement foundation when I struck a Nipsco gas line. I have lived at this address for four years and when we first moved in I had made a call to have all the lines marked so I would know where they were. When they came out they never marked any lines being on that side of our home. I also was not aware that when they mark lines that the permit for those lines only lasted for a few days. On that morning I went to an equipment rental place to rent a mini excavator to dig along the foundation wall. When I went there and told them what I needed the piece of equipment for not one employee ever mentioned to me that I needed to make sure to call and have lines marked before using their machinery. When workers from Nipsco arrived to fix the line they too told me that they have been trying to get these rental businesses to put stickers on their equipment and also verbally remind people that they need to call every time before digging. I think that this would be a great a very simple solution to help cut down on this type of incident. There were no injuries due to the damage to the gas lines which I am extremely thankful for. In the future I will not only call ahead of time to have lines marked, but I think after they get located if I ever need to do any digging I will hire professionals to do the work so that something like this never happens again.

Sincerely,
Zach Linnemeier