



Pipeline Safety Division Investigation Report

Investigation regarding: **Rieth Riley**

UPPAC Database Record ID: 4217

Report Date: 8/16/2013

Investigator: William Boyd

Damage Date: 11/17/2012

Damage Address: 6139 Kingsley Dr, Indianapolis, Marion

The Parties

Excavator: **Rieth Riley**

Address: Po Box 477, Goshen, In 46527

Facility Owner: **Citizens Gas**

Pipeline Facility

Facility Type: Natural Gas

Facility Function: Service/Drop

Type of Equipment: Backhoe/Trackhoe

Type of Work Performed: Curb / Sidewalk

Damage Impact

Product Release: Yes

Ignition: No

Service Interruption: True

Number of Customers Affected: 1

Injuries: 0

Fatalities: 0

Repair Cost (if known): \$65

Excavator Activities/Cause of Damage Information:

Excavator Request Locates: Yes

Indiana 811 Ticket Number: 1211131553

Original Start Date:

Locate Instructions:

Follow-Up Locate Instructions (if applicable):

Synopsis: Excavator struck and damaged an underground natural gas service while performing curb/sidewalk work.

Findings: Reported by Tony Chan (Citizens Gas); excavator's response to initial notice was received on 3/22/2013. The excavator had a valid locate ticket and the gas operator provided accurate locate markings; however, after potholing, the depth of the service line varied from 22 inches to 12 inches. Nevertheless, there was a failure to maintain required clearance from the gas service with the backhoe.

Conclusion: There was a failure to maintain clearance with mechanized equipment.

Violation: IC 8-1-26-20(a)(2) Failure to maintain two (2) feet clearance with mechanized equipment.



DAMAGE INFORMATION REPORT – PIPELINE SAFETY DIVISION

State Form 54122 (R2 / 7-11)

INDIANA UTILITY REGULATORY COMMISSION

Submitted to IURC-Pipeline Safety on: Nov 28, 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: RIETH RILEY

Business address (*number and street*): 1751 W MINNESOTA ST

City, State, and ZIP code: Indianapolis, IN 46206

Telephone number (*area code*): 765-748-5755

Fax number (*area code*): _____

E-mail address: _____

Excavation or Demolition Information

Excavator type: Contractor

Excavation or demolition equipment: Backhoe/Trackhoe

Type of work performed: Curb/Sidewalk

Date and Location of Damage

Date of damage (*month, day, year*): Nov 17, 2012

County: Marion

City: Indianapolis

Street address (*number and street, city, state, and ZIP code*):
6139 KINGSLEY DR

Nearest intersection: E 61ST ST

Right of way where damage occurred: Public - City Street

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 \$ 0

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? 10

Notification, Locating, Marking

Did excavator request locates prior to commencing work? Yes

Enter Indiana 811 ticket number, if known: 1211131553

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

INITIAL DOCUMENTS - EXCAVATOR



INFORMATION REQUEST

State Form 54909 (2-12)

INDIANA UTILITY REGULATORY COMMISSION – PIPELINE SAFETY DIVISION

Case Number: 4217

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

Upon completion of answers select email button for submission.

The Parties

Excavator Information:

Business Name: Rieth-Riley Construction Co., Inc.

Responsible Party Personal Name: Kim Beard

Title (if any): Risk Manager

Address (number and street): P.O. Box 477

City, State and ZIP Code: Goshen, IN 46527

Preferred Telephone Number (area code): (574) 875-5183 ext. 20214

Cellular Telephone Number (area code): _____

Email Address: kbeard@rieth-riley.com

Facility Information:

Business Name: Citizens Gas

Responsible Party Personal Name: _____

Title (if any): _____

Address (number and street): _____

City, State and ZIP Code: _____

Preferred Telephone Number (area code): _____

Cellular Telephone Number (area code): _____

Email Address: _____

Locator Service Information:

Business Name: _____

Responsible Party Personal Name: _____

Title (*if any*): _____

Address (*number and street*): _____

City, State and ZIP Code: _____

Preferred Telephone Number (area code): _____

Cellular Telephone Number (area code): _____

Email Address: _____

Cause of Damage Information

Type of Equipment (*select one*): Backhoe/Trackhoe

Type of Work Performed (*select one*): Curb/Sidewalk

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

Personal Contact: _____

Business/Organization Name: _____

Title (*if any*): _____

Address (*number and street*): _____

City, State and ZIP Code: _____

Preferred Telephone Number (area code): _____

Cellular Telephone Number (area code): _____

Email Address: _____

Utility Line Impact

Location of Damage:

Address (*number and street*): 6139 Kingsley Drive _____

City, State and ZIP Code: Indianapolis, IN _____

Nearest Intersection: E 61st Street _____

Product Type (*select one*): Natural Gas

Facility Type (*select one*):

Size (Diameter/etc.): _____

Pressure (PSIG/Inches): _____

Interruption in Service: Yes No **Number of Customers Affected:** _____

Evacuation: Yes No **If yes, How Many Evacuated?** _____

Repair Cost (if known): \$ ⁶⁵ _____

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: 1211131553, 1210261612,
1211131555, 1210261614, 1211131543
1210261587, 1211131550 & 1210261603

- 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: none

Number of Inpatient Treated: none

Number of Fatalities: none

- Fire Department Response: Yes No
- Police Department Response: Yes No
- Ambulance Response: Yes No

Additional Information / Comments

The line was located. We potholed to determine the depth of the line and found it to be approx. 22 inches. However, the line jumped up to approx. 12 inches directly below the curb and pavement being removed. We received an invoice from Citizens for damage. We contacted Tony Chan, Manager Gas Distribution for Citizens, to dispute the invoice. In response, Mr. Chan stated, "due to the effort by Rieth-Riley Construction in the attempt to locate the gas line at 6139 Kingsley Drive, Citizens Gas has agreed on reducing the charges for the gas line damage from 11/17/12." A copy of Mr. Chan's email is attached, along with copies of the applicable locate tickets. Rieth-Riley took all reasonable precautions to locate and expose the line. The damage resulted from the unpredictable variance in depth and the line's close proximity to the bottom of the curb and pavement.

NARRATIVE STATEMENT

Your Pipeline Safety Division Case Number: 4217

Your Full Name: Kim Beard

Full Name of Business / Entity (if applicable): Rieth-Riley Construction Co., Inc.

Your Business Title (if applicable): Risk Manager

Address (number and street): P.O. Box 477

City: Goshen State: IN ZIP Code: 46527

Your E-mail Address: kbeard@rieth-riley.com

Today's Date (month, day, year): March 22, 2013

Your Signature: Kim Beard Title (if any) Risk Manager

Please return your Narrative Statement to:

Pipeline Safety Division – Case Number 4217
Indiana Utility Regulatory Commission
101 West Washington Street, 1500E
Indianapolis, IN 46204

Or scan the statement and Email to:

PipelineDamageCase@urc.in.gov

IURC #4217

From: Chan, Antonio M. [mailto:AChan@citizensenergygroup.com]
Sent: Wednesday, March 13, 2013 10:23 AM
To: Victoria Wilkinson
Cc: Pena, Antonio M.
Subject: RE: DOL 11-17-12 Claim 016615-204060

Victoria,

Per our earlier conversation, due to the effort by Rieth-Riley Construction in the attempt to locate the gas line at 6139 Kingsley Drive, Citizens Gas has agreed on reducing the charges for the gas line damage from 11/17/12. The charges will be reduced to \$65 in which the revised amount does not include any applicable taxes.

Please let me know if you do not receive a revised invoice for the amount shown above within the next 30 days.

Thank You

Tony Chan
Manager Gas Distribution

2150 Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. St.
Indianapolis, IN 46202
phone/fax (317) 927-4619
achan@citizensenergygroup.com



NORMAL NOTICE JOB EXTENSION

Ticket : 1211131553 Date: 11/13/2012 Time: 11:37 Oper: SPOPE Chan:044

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

Address :

Street : N KINGSLEY DR
Cross 1 : KESSLER BOULEVARD EAST DR Within 1/4 mile: Y
Location: FROM THE ABOVE INTERSECTION LOCATE GOING NORTH ALONG THE WEST SIDE OF
N KINGSLEY DRIVE FOR APPROX 1500 FEET ENDING AT E 61ST STREET
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Grids : 3951B8607A 3951A8607A

Work type : CURB/SIDEWALK REPLACEMENT/MILL/PAVE ST

Done for : DPW

Start date: 11/15/2012 Time: 11:45 Hours notice: 48/048 Priority: NORM

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

Duration : 45 DAYS Depth: 2 FEET

Company : RIETH RILEY CONSTRUCTION Type: CONT

Co addr : 1751 WEST MINNESOTA

City : INDIANAPOLIS State: IN Zip: 46206

Caller : EDDIE BREEDEN Phone: (317) 634-5561

Contact : EDDIE BREEDEN - CELL Phone:

BestTime:

Mobile : (317) 494-5358

Fax : (317) 631-6423

Email : EBREEDEN@RIETH-RILEY.COM

Remarks : All tickets are taken and processed on Eastern Daylight Time
NEED ALL UTILITIES TO REMARK AS NEEDED--PREV TICKET 1210261612--THANK YOU
Will you be white-lining the dig site area? NO

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Submitted date: 11/13/2012 Time: 11:37

Members: CTG CV ID1501 ID3639 ID5117 ID5555 ID9999 SBCIN SM

NORMAL NOTICE JOB EXTENSION

Ticket : 1211131555 Date: 11/13/2012 Time: 11:37 Oper: SPOPE Chan:044

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

Address :

Street : N KINGSLEY DR

Cross 1 : E 61ST ST Within 1/4 mile: Y

Location: FROM THE ABOVE INTERSECTION LOCATE GOING NORTH ALONG THE WEST SIDE OF
N KINGSLEY DRIVE FOR APPROX 1500 FEET ENDING AT BROAD RIPPLE AVE

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Grids : 3951A8607A 3952D8607A

Work type : CURB/SIDEWALK REPLACEMENT/MILL/PAVE ST

Done for : DPW

Start date: 11/15/2012 Time: 11:45 Hours notice: 48/048 Priority: NORM

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

Duration : 45 DAYS Depth: 2 FEET

Company : RIETH RILEY CONSTRUCTION Type: CONT

Co addr : 1751 WEST MINNESOTA

City : INDIANAPOLIS State: IN Zip: 46206

Caller : EDDIE BREEDEN Phone: (317)634-5561

Contact : EDDIE BREEDEN - CELL Phone:

BestTime:

Mobile : (317)494-5358

Fax : (317)631-6423

Email : EBREEDEN@RIETH-RILEY.COM

Remarks : All tickets are taken and processed on Eastern Daylight Time
NEED ALL UTILITIES TO REMARK AS NEEDED--PREV TICKET 1210261614--THANK YOU
Will you be white-lining the dig site area? NO

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Submitted date: 11/13/2012 Time: 11:37

Members: CTG CV ID1501 ID3639 ID5117 ID5555 ID9999 SBCIN SM

NORMAL NOTICE JOB EXTENSION

Ticket : 1211131543 Date: 11/13/2012 Time: 11:36 Oper: SPOPE Chan:044

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

Address :

Street : N KINGSLEY DR

Cross 1 : KESSLER BOULEVARD EAST DR Within 1/4 mile: Y

Location: FROM THE ABOVE INTERSECTION LOCATE GOING NORTH ALONG THE EAST SIDE OF
N KINGSLEY DRIVE FOR 1500 FEET

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Grids : 3951B8607A 3951A8607A 3952D8607A

Work type : CURB/SIDEWALK REPLACEMENT/MILL/PAVE ST

Done for : DPW

Start date: 11/15/2012 Time: 11:45 Hours notice: 48/048 Priority: NORM

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

Duration : 45 DAYS Depth: 2 FEET

Company : RIETH RILEY CONSTRUCTION Type: CONT

Co addr : 1751 WEST MINNESOTA

City : INDIANAPOLIS State: IN Zip: 46206

Caller : EDDIE BREEDEN Phone: (317)634-5561

Contact : EDDIE BREEDEN - CELL Phone:

BestTime:

Mobile : (317)494-5358

Fax : (317)631-6423

Email : EBREEDEN@RIETH-RILEY.COM

Remarks : All tickets are taken and processed on Eastern Daylight Time
NEED ALL UTILITIES TO REMARK AS NEEDED--PREV TICKET 1210261587--THANK YOU
Will you be white-lining the dig site area? NO

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Submitted date: 11/13/2012 Time: 11:36

Members: CTG CV ID1501 ID3639 ID5117 ID5555 ID9999 SBCIN SM

NORMAL NOTICE JOB EXTENSION

Ticket : 1211131550 Date: 11/13/2012 Time: 11:36 Oper: SPOPE Chan:044

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

Address :

Street : N KINGSLEY DR

Cross 1 : E 61ST ST Within 1/4 mile: Y

Location: FROM THE ABOVE INTERSECTION LOCATE GOING NORTH ALONG THE EAST SIDE OF
N KINGSLEY DRIVE FOR APPROX 1500 FEET ENDING AT BROAD RIPPLE AVE

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Grids : 3951A8607A 3952D8607A

Work type : CURB/SIDEWALK REPLACEMENT/MILL/PAVE ST

Done for : DPW

Start date: 11/15/2012 Time: 11:45 Hours notice: 48/048 Priority: NORM

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

Duration : 45 DAYS Depth: 2 FEET

Company : RIETH RILEY CONSTRUCTION Type: CONT

Co addr : 1751 WEST MINNESOTA

City : INDIANAPOLIS State: IN Zip: 46206

Caller : EDDIE BREEDEN Phone: (317)634-5561

Contact : EDDIE BREEDEN - CELL Phone:

BestTime:

Mobile : (317)494-5358

Fax : (317)631-6423

Email : EBREEDEN@RIETH-RILEY.COM

Remarks : All tickets are taken and processed on Eastern Daylight Time
NEED ALL UTILITIES TO REMARK AS NEEDED--PREV TICKET 1210261603--THANK YOU
Will you be white-lining the dig site area? NO

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Submitted date: 11/13/2012 Time: 11:36

Members: CTG CV ID1501 ID3639 ID5117 ID5555 ID9999 SBCIN SM