



Pipeline Safety Division Investigation Report

Investigation regarding: Jack C Smith

UPPAC Database Record ID: 4870

Report Date: 9/20/2013

Investigator: Mike Orr

Damage Date: 5/28/2013 1:28:46 PM

Damage Address: 843 N Bosart Ave, Center, Marion

The Parties

Excavator: **Jack C Smith**

Address: 843 N Bosart, Indianapolis, In 46201

Facility Owner: **Citizens Gas**

Pipeline Facility

Facility Type: Natural Gas

Facility Function: Service/Drop

Type of Equipment: Auger

Type of Work Performed: Fencing

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 THE SOUTH AND WEST SIDES OF THE PROPERTY

Follow-Up Locate Instructions (if applicable):

Synopsis: Excavator struck and damaged an underground natural gas service while performing fencing work.

Findings: Reported by Indiana 811; excavator did not respond to initial notice mailed 7/10/2013. Excavator failed to provide notice of excavation to the association (IN811).

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

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



DAMAGE INFORMATION REPORT – PIPELINE SAFETY DIVISION

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INDIANA UTILITY REGULATORY COMMISSION

Submitted to IURC-Pipeline Safety on: Aug 16, 2013

Who is submitting this information?

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

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Excavator Information, if known

Full name: JACK SMITH

Business address (*number and street*): 843 N BOSART AVE

City, State, and ZIP code: Indianapolis, IN 46201

Telephone number (*area code*): 317-735-7229

Fax number (*area code*): _____

E-mail address: _____

Excavation or Demolition Information

Excavator type: Occupant

Excavation or demolition equipment: Auger

Type of work performed: Fencing

Date and Location of Damage

Date of damage (*month, day, year*): May 28, 2013

County: Marion

City: Indianapolis

Street address (*number and street, city, state, and ZIP code*):
843 N BOSART ST

Nearest intersection: E ST CLAIR ST

Right of way where damage occurred: Private - Land Owner

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*): 0.5

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? 24

Notification, Locating, Marking

Did excavator request locates prior to commencing work? No

Enter Indiana 811 ticket number, if known: _____

Was the locate request completed within two working days? Unknown/Other

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? No

Were facilities marked correctly? Unknown/Other

Type of markings used:

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? Unknown/Other

Were pipeline company representatives on site during excavation? No

Did the excavator notify the operator in the event of this damage? No

Did the excavator notify Indiana 811 in the event of this damage? Yes

Did the excavator notify 911 in the event of a release of product? Yes

Description of Cause

Select from the list the most accurate cause for the damage: --No notification made to the one-call center

Additional Comments

Fire department notified Citizens Gas of damaged gas line.