



## Pipeline Safety Division Investigation Report

### Investigation regarding: Selge Construction Company Inc

UPPAC Database Record ID: 4906

Report Date: 9/16/2013

Investigator: William Boyd

Damage Date: 6/7/2013 3:26:04 PM

Damage Address: Ironwood Rd, Clay, St Joseph

### The Parties

Excavator: **Selge Construction Company Inc**

Address: 2833 South 11th Street, Niles, Mi 49120

Facility Owner: **NIPSCO**

### Pipeline Facility

Facility Type: Natural Gas

Facility Function: Service/Drop

Type of Equipment: Backhoe/Trackhoe

Type of Work Performed: Grading

### Damage Impact

Product Release: Yes

Ignition: No

Service Interruption: True

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: 1305233707

Original Start Date: 5/28/2013

Locate Instructions: starting at the southeast corner of the intersection locate heading south on the eastside of ironwood drive for a 1000 feet from center line to the east right of way

Follow-Up Locate Instructions (if applicable):

**Synopsis:** Excavator damaged a gas line while filling a haul truck.

**Findings:** Reported by Indiana 811; excavator's response to initial notice was received on 9/9/2013. Excavator admits to striking a gas line by over digging the area during the course of an employee filling a haul truck.

**Conclusion:** Excavator dug outside the requested locate area.

**Violation: IC 8-1-26-16(g)(out) Failure to provide notice of excavation - damage occurred outside requested locate area.**



150 West Market Street, Suite 600  
Indianapolis, IN 46204

August 12, 2013

*Via Electronic Transmission – [PipelineDamageCase@urc.in.gov](mailto:PipelineDamageCase@urc.in.gov)*

Pipeline Safety Division – Case No. 4906  
Indiana Utility Regulatory Commission  
101 West Washington Street, Suite 1500 East  
Indianapolis, Indiana 46204

RE: Investigation Request for Information; Pipeline Division Case No. 4906

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: 6/7/2013

Event Location: Ironwood Rd

City: Indianapolis

Facility Owner: Nipsco

Excavator: Selge Construction Company Inc

Other Party: N/A

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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  
Fax: 317-684-4918  
Email: [cearle@nisource.com](mailto:cearle@nisource.com)

<b>IURC INFORMATION REQUEST</b>	
<b>Pipeline Safety Division Case No. 4906</b>	
Date of Event	6/7/2013
Event Location	Ironwood Rd
Event City	Clay
Facility Owner	Nipsco
Excavator	Selge Construction Company Inc
Date of IURC Information Request	July 12, 2013
<b>THE PARTIES</b>	
<b>EXCAVATOR:</b>	
BUSINESS NAME	
RESPONSIBLE PARTY PERSONAL NAME	Selge Construction Company Inc
TITLE (IF ANY)	
ADDRESS	2833 South 11 <sup>th</sup> Street
CITY/ STATE/ZIP	Niles, MI 49120
PREFERRED TELEPHONE	269 684 0842
CELL PHONE TELEPHONE	
EMAIL ADDRESS	
<b>FACILITY INFORMATION - OWNER/OPERATOR OF UTILITY LINE:</b>	
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
<b>LOCATOR SERVICE INFORMATION</b>	
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
<b>OTHER (WITNESS, POLICE, FIRE, OTHER) INFORMATION</b>	
PERSONAL CONTACT	
BUSINESS/ORGANIZATION NAME	
TITLE (IF ANY)	

ADDRESS	
CITY/ STATE/ZIP	
PREFERRED TELEPHONE	
CELL PHONE TELEPHONE	
EMAIL ADDRESS	
<b>UTILITY LINE IMPACT</b>	
<b>LOCATION OF DAMAGE</b>	
ADDRESS	17906 Auten Road
CITY/STATE/ZIP	South Bend, IN, 46637
NEAREST INTERSECTION	Ironwood Rd
<b>PRODUCT TYPE (Select One)</b>	
NATURAL GAS	X
LIQUID PIPELINE	
UNKNOWN/OTHER	
<b>FACILITY TYPE (Select One)</b>	
DISTRIBUTION	
GATHERING	
SERVICE/DROP	X
TRANSMISSION	
UNKNOWN/OTHER	
SIZE (DIAMETER/ETC.)	3"
PRESSURE (PSIG/INCHES)	
INTERRUPTION IN SERVICE (YES/NO)	Yes
NUMBER OF CUSTOMERS AFFECTED	0
EVACUATION (YES/NO)	No
IF YES, HOW MANY EVACUATED	
REPAIR COST (IF KNOWN) (\$)	
<b>CAUSE OF DAMAGE INFORMATION:</b>	
<b>TYPE OF EQUIPMENT (Select One)</b>	
Auger	
Backhoe/Trackhoe	X
Boring/Drilling	
Directional Drilling	
Explosives	
Farm Equipment	
Grader/Scraper	
Hand Tools	
Milling Equipment	
Probing Device	

Trancher	
Vacuum Equipment	
Unknown/Other	
<b>TYPE OF WORK PERFORMED (Select One)</b>	
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	X
RELEASE OF PRODUCT (YES/NO)	Yes
IGNITION AND/OR FIRE (YES/NO)	No
EXCAVATOR NOTIFY 811 (YES/NO)	Yes 1306073222
<b>LOCATE INFORMATION:</b>	
EXCAVATOR REQUEST LOCATE (YES/NO)	Yes

INDIANA 811 LOCATE TICKET NUMBER	1305233707
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
<b>INCIDENT IMPACT INFORMATION</b>	
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
<b>ADDITIONAL INFORMATION/COMMENTS</b>	
Excavator dug outside scope of ticket. Please see USIC Fact based information Report NIPSCO Emergency Repair Ticket Number: 1306073342	

Fact Based Investigation Report

**Notification ID** 01820130607014  
**Damage Date** 06/07/2013 15:26  
**Notified By** JAMIE PLUNKETT ()  
**Damage Address** IRONWOOD RD & 17906 AUTEN RD  
SOUTH BEND, IN  
**District** Northern Indiana  
**Notification Date** 06/07/2013 15:30

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**Damaged Customer** NIPSCO

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**Investigation Date From** 06/07/2013 15:40:00 **To** 06/07/2013 18:20:00

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**Excavator Involved** SELGE CONSTRUCT.  
**Type of Excavation** ROAD RECONSTRUCTION

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**Orig. Locate Request** 1305233707 **Start Date** 05/28/2013 17:15  
**Type of Ticket** Ongoing Project **Locate Req. Info** N/A

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**Damage Request #** 1306073222 **Start Date** 06/07/2013 14:25

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**Pictures Taken By** Kevin Fox **Date** 06/07/2013 16:05  
**Photography Type** Digital **Frame #** see 1306073222

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**Investigator Emp. #** 130534 **Investigator Name** Josh Scheibelhut  
**Based on your investigation, is further investigation needed?** No

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**Fact Based Investigation Customer Information**

**Facility Description** Low Profile **Facility ID** Gas Main

**Locator Name & EMP #** Fox Kevin - 121882 **Locator Not Known**

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**Investigation Findings**

Contractor Dug Outside Marking Instructions

**Other Notes**

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**Investigation Methods**

Visual, Facility Exposed At Time Of Investigation

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**Investigator Statement/Causal Factors**

The damage location is part of a large ongoing round-a-bout road construction project. USIC technician Kevin Fox met with Selge Construction foreman Jamie Plunkett in the morning on the date the damage occurred and asked if he needed anything marked. Jamie stated they were OK and would call in new tickets the following Monday. Kevin had marked the entire intersection per the scope of the ticket and had arrowed off the two sections of the 3" gas main where they turn 90 degrees and go away from the road construction. The remaining portion of the gas main could not be marked because the construction company had used the SE corner of the intersection as a staging area for supplies, equipment, etc and there were also large piles of dirt/rock on top of where the main was running. After USIC technician Kevin Fox left the job site, Selge construction moved their supplies and equipment and began digging a retention pond without the gas main being marked. Shortly after they cut the 3" main

**Names of Utility Representatives Contacted or on Site and Statement**

n/a

**Names of Excavator's Representatives Contacted or on Site and Statement**

n/a

**Other individuals on site**

Brian Arens & Kevin Fox, USIC

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<b>Were any markings visible on the damage site upon arrival?</b>	No
<b>Were any other indicators of facility present in the area?</b>	Yes
<b>Was the excavation within the tolerance zone of marks?</b>	No
<b>Extent of facility damage</b>	cut
<b>Replacement Footage</b>	splice
<b>Was contractor assistance required? If yes, who?</b>	No n/a
<b>What contractor equipment was used?</b>	n/a
<b>Is the facility shown on the utility records?</b>	Yes
<b>If yes, list record numbers</b>	NIPSCO

NIPSCO 01235 IUPPSa 05/23/2013 17:09:46 1305233707-00A NORM NEW GRID

NORMAL NOTICE REMARK

Ticket : 1305233707 Date: 05/23/2013 Time: 17:06 Oper: SDOERFLEIN Chan:007  
Old Tkt: 1305102950 Date: 05/10/2013 Time: 15:44 Oper: AOWENS Rev: 00A

State: IN Cnty: ST JOSEPH Twp: CLAY  
Cityname: SOUTH BEND Inside: N Near: Y  
Subdivision:

Address :

Street : IRONWOOD RD

Cross 1 : AUTEN RD Within 1/4 mile: Y

Location: STARTING AT THE SOUTHEAST CORNER OF THE INTERSECTION LOCATE  
HEADING

SOUTH ON THE EASTSIDE OF IRONWOOD DRIVE FOR A 1000 FEET FROM CENTER LINE TO  
THE

EAST RIGHT OF WAY

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Grids : 4144A8613D 4144B8612A 4144B8613D

Boundary: n 41.746065 s 41.742431 w -86.218069 e -86.216559

Work type : ROAD RECONSTRUCTION

Done for : INDOT

Start date: 05/28/2013 Time: 17:15 Hours notice: 120/048 Priority: NORM

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

Duration : 4 MONTHS Depth: 12 FEET

Company : SELGE CONSTRUCTION COMPANY INC Type: CONT

Co addr : 2833 SOUTH 11TH STREET

City : NILES State: MI Zip: 49120

Caller : JAMIE PLUNKETT Phone: (269)684-0842

Contact : JAMIE PLUNKETT - CELL Phone:

BestTime:

Mobile : (574)292-8970

Fax : (269)684-0846

Email : JPLUNKETT@SELGECONSTRUCTION.COM

Remarks : All tickets are taken and processed on Eastern Daylight Time  
REMARK AREA DUE TO CONSTRUCTION

Will you be white-lining the dig site area? NO

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Submitted date: 05/23/2013 Time: 17:06

Members: AEPIN COMCN ID4866 ID5610 ID5845 ID7150 NIPSCO SBCIN SM

NIPSCO 01011 IUPPSa 06/07/2013 15:26:08 1306073222-00A EMER DAMG GRID

DAMAGE SEE REMARKS

Ticket : 1306073222 Date: 06/07/2013 Time: 15:25 Oper: DMEYER Chan:034

State: IN Cnty: ST JOSEPH Twp: CLAY  
Cityname: SOUTH BEND Inside: N Near: Y  
Subdivision:

Address :  
Street : IRONWOOD RD  
Cross 1 : AUTEN RD Within 1/4 mile: Y  
Location: STARTING AT THE SOUTHEAST CORNER OF THE INTERSECTION LOCATE  
HEADING  
SOUTH ON THE EASTSIDE OF IRONWOOD DRIVE FOR A 1000 FEET FROM CENTER LINE TO  
THE  
EAST RIGHT OF WAY

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Grids : 4144A8613D 4144B8612A 4144B8613D  
Boundary: n 41.746065 s 41.742431 w -86.218069 e -86.216559

Work type : ROAD RECONSTRUCTION  
Done for : INDOT  
Start date: 06/07/2013 Time: 15:25 Hours notice: 0/000 Priority: EMER  
Ug/Oh/Both: U Blasting: N Boring: N Railroad: N Emergency: Y  
Duration : 4 MONTHS Depth: 12 FEET

Company : SELGE CONSTRUCTION COMPANY INC Type: CONT  
Co addr : 2833 SOUTH 11TH STREET  
City : NILES State: MI Zip: 49120  
Caller : JAMIE PLUNKETT Phone: (269)684-0842  
Contact : JAMIE PLUNKETT - CELL Phone:  
BestTime:  
Mobile : (574)292-8970  
Fax : (269)684-0846  
Email : JPLUNKETT@SELGECONSTRUCTION.COM

Remarks : All tickets are taken and processed on Eastern Daylight Time  
PER JAMIE PLUNKETT --- A NIPSCO GAS LINE HAS BEEN CUT AND IS BLOWING -- LINE  
HIT ON EAST SIDE OF IRONWOOD A COUPLE HUNDRED FEET EAST OF IRONWOOD SOUTH OF  
AUTEN --- COULD HEAR AND SMELL THE GAS --- YELLOW PLASTIC LINE - 3 INCH ---  
911  
HAS BEEN CALLED -- CREW IS ON SITE --- HAS NOT CALLED NIPSCO--BUT WILL CALL -  
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- PREVIOUS TICKET 1305233707  
Will you be white-lining the dig site area? NO  
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Submitted date: 06/07/2013 Time: 15:25  
Members: AEPIN COMCN ID4866 ID5610 ID5845 ID7150 NIPSCO SBCIN SM

NIPSCO 01056 IUPPSa 06/07/2013 15:58:46 1306073342-00A EMER NEW GRID

EMERGENCY SEE REMARKS

Ticket : 1306073342 Date: 06/07/2013 Time: 15:52 Oper: AJONES Chan:089

State: IN Cnty: ST JOSEPH Twp: CLAY  
Cityname: SOUTH BEND Inside: Y Near: N  
Subdivision:

Address : 17906  
Street : AUTEN RD  
Cross 1 : IRONWOOD RD Within 1/4 mile: Y  
Location: LOCATE THE ENTIRE PROPERTY

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Grids : 4144A8613B 4144A8613C 4144A8613D 4144B8613A 4144B8613B  
Grids : 4144B8613C 4144B8613D  
Boundary: n 41.745993 s 41.744767 w -86.229528 e -86.216926

Work type : REPARING GAS LINE  
Done for : NIPSCO  
Start date: 06/07/2013 Time: 15:54 Hours notice: 0/000 Priority: EMER  
Ug/Oh/Both: U Blasting: N Boring: N Railroad: N Emergency: Y  
Duration : 1 DAY Depth: 6 FEET

Company : NIPSCO Type: CONT  
Co addr : 801 E 86TH AVE  
City : MERRILLVILLE State: IN Zip: 46410  
Caller : MARCIA KING Phone: (800)322-2806  
Contact : RICH WALGREN CELL Phone:  
BestTime:  
Mobile : (574)360-9736  
Fax : (219)647-4764

Remarks : All tickets are taken and processed on Eastern Daylight Time  
CREW IS IN ROUTE

Will you be white-lining the dig site area? NO

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Submitted date: 06/07/2013 Time: 15:52

Members: AEPIN COMCN ID4866 ID5610 ID5845 ID7150 NIPSCO SBCIN SM

NORTHERN INDIANA PUBLIC SERVICE COMPANY
FACILITY DAMAGE REPORT

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

REPORTING OPERATING AREA 060 MAXIMO WO #
OPERATING AREA CONTACT Garry King JOB ORDER # 562592
TRACKING NUMBER 018 2013 0607 015 LOCATE REF #
Locate Performed By:

DATE AND TIME OF ACCIDENT June 7 2013 15:27 M DATE OF REPORT 6-7-13
PLACE OF DAMAGE (INCLUDE CITY) South Bend - Monwood & Auten

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

OTHER (DESCRIBE)

GAS: SERVICE ( ) MAIN X SIZE 3" MATERIAL: PLASTIC X STEEL ( ) METER ( ) REG STATION ( ) STUB ( )
OTHER (DESCRIBE)

DEPTH OF FACILITY (inches) 60" PRESSURE (PSI) 35" Lbs.

RELEASE OF GAS: YES X NO X IGNITION OF GAS: YES ( ) NO X EVACUATION REQUIRED: YES ( ) # NO X

INTERRUPTION OF SERVICE: YES X NO X NUMBER OF CUSTOMERS LOST: 0

DURATION OF INTERRUPTION: TIME REPORTED 15:27 TIME SHUT OFF 17:40 TIME RESTORED 21:00

DIAMETER/MEASUREMENT OF HOLE IN GAS FACILITY: 1" x 4" 20' cut

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

PARTY THAT CAUSED DAMAGES (NAME) SELGE const. co. INC

ADDRESS OF PARTY (INCLUDE CITY) 2833 South 11th Street Niles, Michigan 49120

WHO WAS IN CHARGE OF THE WORK SITE AT TIME OF DAMAGE Jamie Plunkett phone # (269) 684-0842
WITNESS NAME AND ADDRESS NONE cell # (574) 292-8970

WITNESS REMARKS NONE

AGENCIES NOTIFIED / ONSITE: POLICE ( ) AGENCY REPORT #
FIRE X AGENCY REPORT #
OTHER ( ) Any Injuries? ( ) YES # NO X

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

- 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 Retention pond
( ) POLE/SIGN POST ( ) ROAD WORK ( ) SEWER

- TYPE OF EQUIPMENT USED - CHECK APPROPRIATE CHOICE BELOW
( ) AUGER ( ) HAND TOOLS X 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 X MARKS DISTURBED ( ) STUB ( ) OTHER

COMMENTS :

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PERSON PREPARING REPORT

Stephen Hershberger

FIELD SUPERVISOR

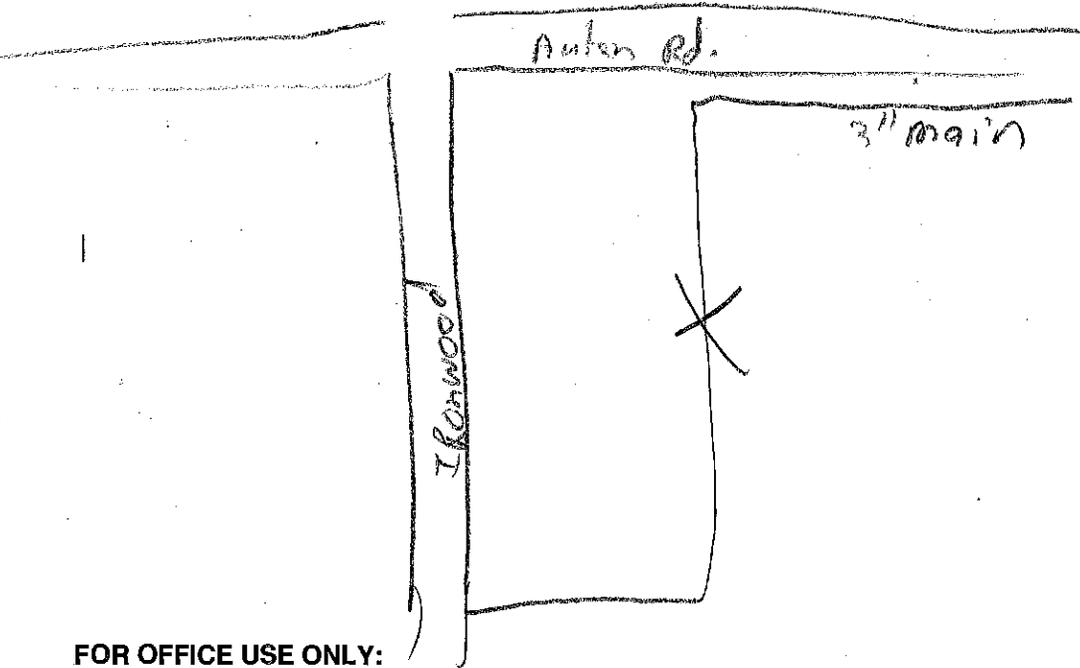
TONY LOPEZ

FIELD MANAGER

BARY DODGE *Bary Dodge*

- 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: \_\_\_\_\_



Property of United States Infrastructure Corporation  
Photo taken on 6/7/2013 5:20:05 PM



**CONSTRUCTION COMPANY, INC.**

2833 S. 11TH STREET • NILES, MICHIGAN 49120-4421  
269-684-0842 FAX 269-684-0846

September 9, 2013

Pipeline Safety Division- Case No. 4906  
Indiana Utility Regulatory Commission  
101 West Washington Street, Suite 1500 E  
Indianapolis, IN 46204

Subject: Initial Documents Excavator  
Pipeline Safety Division Case No. 4906

Mr. William Boyd,

My name is Bruce Dickie. I am the Manager of Safety and Resources for Selge Construction Co. Inc., in Niles, Michigan. I am authorized to represent Selge Construction in matters involving damaged utilities. I am also responsible to implement any corrective actions required as a result of damage to utilities. I attend meetings of the Northern Indiana Damage Prevention Council and will continue to do so to remain current on relevant issues. On January 18, 2013, 16 employees of Selge Construction including managers and foremen attended the training required by the IURC with Steve Baker.

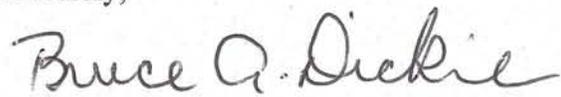
Selge Construction Co. Inc. responds to the letter dated June 28, 2013 as follows:

1. The locate request is included to show that Selge Construction provided notice of excavation per Indiana Code 8-1-26.
2. "White lining" would not have been required because of the specific address of the excavation provided at the time the "locates" were called in.
3. Selge Construction employees are required to maintain the "hand dig zone" while excavating within two feet of a marked utility. In a case where that does not occur, the employee receives progressive discipline up to and including possible termination. This described protocol was observed with regards to this incident.
4. At least 1 Selge Construction employees on this site attended the January 2013 training.

I was notified of this damage incident (at Ironwood and Auten Rds.) by the Project Manager on 6-7-13, the day of this incident. When I arrive at this site to investigate the incident the NIPSCO crew was arriving there to repair the damage. Selge Construction provided notice of excavation per IC 8-1-26, and was aware of this utility from previous markings. One of Selge Construction's workers, attempted to load the off road truck he was using to move dirt. The excavator he used for the loading operation had larger reach and capacity than he had used prior to this incident. This incident occurred with that piece

of equipment as he loaded the off road truck. The employee was treated in accordance with Selge Construction employment and safety policies. This incident was reviewed with the personnel involved to prevent a reoccurrence.  
If you have any further questions please do not hesitate to contact me by phone or e-mail.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Bruce A. Dickie". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large initial "B" and "D".

Bruce A. Dickie  
Manager of Safety and Resources  
Selge Construction Co. Inc.  
Bdickie@selgeconstruction.com  
574-292-8917



## INFORMATION REQUEST

State Form 54909 (R / 3-13)

INDIANA UTILITY REGULATORY COMMISSION – PIPELINE SAFETY DIVISION

**Case Number:** 4906 \_\_\_\_\_

**Date of Damage** (*month, day, year*): 6-7-13 \_\_\_\_\_

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### Location of Damage:

Address (*number and street*): Ironwood Rd. (at Auten Rd.) \_\_\_\_\_

City, State and ZIP Code: South Bend, IN \_\_\_\_\_

Nearest Intersection: Ironwood and Auten roundabout \_\_\_\_\_

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### Excavator Information:

Business Name: Selge Construction Co., Inc. \_\_\_\_\_

Responsible Party Personal Name: Bruce Dickie \_\_\_\_\_

Title (*if any*): Manager of Safety and Resources \_\_\_\_\_

Address (*number and street*): 2833 S. 11th Street \_\_\_\_\_

City, State and ZIP Code: Niles, MI 49120 \_\_\_\_\_

Preferred Telephone Number (area code): 574-292-8917 \_\_\_\_\_

Email Address: Bdickie@selgeconstruction.com \_\_\_\_\_

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### Utility Information:

Utility Name: NIPSCO \_\_\_\_\_

Contact Person: \_\_\_\_\_

Title (*if any*): \_\_\_\_\_

**Cause of Damage Information**

Type of Equipment (*select one*):

Type of Work Performed (*select one*):

Repair Cost: \$ +/- \$1900 \_\_\_\_\_

Did a leak result from damage:  Yes  No

Was there ignition:  Yes  No

Excavator Notify 911 due to leak:  Yes  No

Excavator Notify 811 upon damage:  Yes  No

Excavator Notify Utility upon Damage:  Yes  No

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**Locate Information**

Excavator Request Locate:  Yes  No

Indiana 811 Locate Ticket Number: ① 1305233707 ② 1305233699

Locate Marks Visible:  Yes  No

Locate Marks Correct:  Yes  No

Excavator "White Lined":  Yes  No

Was Locate Provided within Two (2) Working Days:  Yes  No

Utility Employees On-site during Excavation:  Yes  No

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**Incident Information:**

Fire Department Response:  Yes  No

Police Department Response:  Yes  No

Ambulance Response:  Yes  No

**Additional Information / Comments**

An employee of Selge Construction loaded the off road haul truck he was using.  
The excavator available had more reach and capacity than the employee had used before.  
The employees on site were aware that this facility ran through the area (from previous markings)  
The utility was struck when the employee over dug the area, while filling the haul truck.  
Selge employees assisted NIPSCO employees in locating the best spot to clamp off the facility to make the repair.  
Selge employees also assisted NIPSCO by digging out the area to be repaired.  
There was a gas release that occurred in a large open area.  
The strike was repaired and the area restored to safety.

Printed Name: Bruce A. Dickie

Signature: Bruce A. Dickie Date (month, day, year): 9-9-13

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**Please return completed form to:**

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Pipeline Safety Division - Case Number 4906  
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NORMAL NOTICE REMARK

Ticket : 1305233707 Date: 05/23/2013 Time: 17:06 Oper: SDOERFLEIN Chan:007  
Old Tkt: 1305102950 Date: 05/10/2013 Time: 15:44 Oper: AOWENS Rev: 00A

State: IN Cnty: ST JOSEPH Twp: CLAY  
Cityname: SOUTH BEND Inside: N Near: Y  
Subdivision:

Address :

Street : IRONWOOD RD  
Cross 1 : AUTEN RD Within 1/4 mile: Y  
Location: STARTING AT THE SOUTHEAST CORNER OF THE INTERSECTION LOCATE HEADING  
SOUTH ON THE EASTSIDE OF IRONWOOD DRIVE FOR A 1000 FEET FROM CENTER LINE TO THE  
EAST RIGHT OF WAY

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Grids : 4144A8613D 4144B8612A 4144B8613D  
Boundary: n 41.746065 s 41.742431 w -86.218069 e -86.216559

Work type : ROAD RECONSTRUCTION  
Done for : INDOT  
Start date: 05/28/2013 Time: 17:15 Hours notice: 120/048 Priority: NORM  
Ug/Oh/Both: U Blasting: N Boring: N Railroad: N Emergency: N  
Duration : 4 MONTHS Depth: 12 FEET

Company : SELGE CONSTRUCTION COMPANY INC Type: CONT  
Co addr : 2833 SOUTH 11TH STREET  
City : NILES State: MI Zip: 49120  
Caller : JAMIE PLUNKETT Phone: (269)684-0842  
Contact : JAMIE PLUNKETT - CELL Phone:  
BestTime:  
Mobile : (574)292-8970  
Fax : (269)684-0846  
Email : JPLUNKETT@SELGECONSTRUCTION.COM

Remarks : All tickets are taken and processed on Eastern Daylight Time  
REMARK AREA DUE TO CONSTRUCTION  
Will you be white-lining the dig site area? NO  
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Submitted date: 05/23/2013 Time: 17:06  
Members: AEPIN COMCN ID4866 ID5610 ID5845 ID7150 NIPSCO SBCIN SM

NORMAL NOTICE REMARK

Ticket : 1305233699 Date: 05/23/2013 Time: 17:04 Oper: SDOERFLEIN Chan:007  
Old Tkt: 1305102932 Date: 05/10/2013 Time: 15:41 Oper: AOWENS Rev: 00A

State: IN Cnty: ST JOSEPH Twp: CLAY  
Cityname: SOUTH BEND Inside: N Near: Y  
Subdivision:

Address :

Street : AUTEN RD  
Cross 1 : IRONWOOD RD Within 1/4 mile: Y  
Location: LOCATE FROM THE SOUTHEAST CORNER OF THE INTERSECTION HEADING EAST ON  
THE SOUTHSIDE OF AUTEN ROAD FOR 1000 FEET FROM THE CENTER OF THE ROAD TO THE  
SOUTH RIGHT OF WAY

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Grids : 4144B8612A 4144B8613D  
Boundary: n 41.745829 s 41.743759 w -86.217796 e -86.213022

Work type : ROAD RECONSTRUCTION-INSTALL SEWER  
Done for : INDOT  
Start date: 05/28/2013 Time: 17:15 Hours notice: 120/048 Priority: NORM  
Ug/Oh/Both: U Blasting: N Boring: N Railroad: N Emergency: N  
Duration : 3 MONTHS Depth: 10 FEET

Company : SELGE CONSTRUCTION COMPANY INC Type: CONT  
Co addr : 2833 SOUTH 11TH STREET  
City : NILES State: MI Zip: 49120  
Caller : JAMIE PLUNKETT Phone: (269)684-0842  
Contact : JAMIE PLUNKETT - CELL Phone:  
BestTime:  
Mobile : (574)292-8970  
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Email : JPLUNKETT@SELGECONSTRUCTION.COM

Remarks : All tickets are taken and processed on Eastern Daylight Time  
REMARK AREA DUE TO CONSTRUCTION  
Will you be white-lining the dig site area? NO  
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Submitted date: 05/23/2013 Time: 17:04  
Members: AEPIN COMCN ID4866 ID5610 ID5845 ID7150 NIPSCO SBCIN SM



The damage occurred to the right near the X. Damage was in the "right of way". Two locate tickets would have covered this location. They are 1. East side of Ironwood going 100 ft south and 2. South side of Auten heading East from Ironwood.

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