



Pipeline Safety Division Investigation Report

Investigation regarding: **MPD Excavating**

UPPAC Database Record ID: 729

Investigator: Howard Friend

Report Date: 04/30/2012

Damage Date: 10/14/2009

Damage Address: 165 Olde Mill Cir N Dr

City: Indianapolis

County: Marion

The Parties

Excavator: **MPD Excavating**

Contact: Jim Meyer

Address: 5691 S 900 E, Zionsville, In 46077

Telephone: 317-339-3574

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: Service/Drop

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Damage Impact

Product release: Yes

Ignition: No

Service Interruption: True

Number of Customers Affected: 1

Injuries: 0

Fatalities: 0

Repair Cost (if known): \$85

Excavator Activities/Cause of damage information:

Excavator request locates: Yes Indiana 811 ticket Number: 0909250249

Type of Equipment: Backhoe/Trackhoe

Type of work performed: Natural Gas

Synopsis: A natural gas service was damaged during excavation for a drain.

Findings: Reported by Indiana 811; excavator's response to initial notice was received on 09/20/2011. The excavator failed to maintain two feet of clearance from the marked facility.

Conclusion: Excavator failed to hand expose and therefore failed to maintain 2' of clearance from the marked facility.

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

MPD Excavating currently has one (1) other report of damages in the record, between 10/8/2009 2:03:33 PM and 10/14/2009.

NO

LOCATE

TICKET

PROVIDED

Information Request

Pipeline Safety Division Indiana Utility Regulatory Commission

Case No. 0729

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

The Parties:

Excavator Information:

Business Name: MPD Excavating LLC
Responsible Party Personal Name: unavailable
Title (if any): unavailable
Address: 5691 S 900 E
City, State Zip: Zionsville, IN 46077
Preferred Telephone: (317) 873-1842
Cell Phone Number: unavailable
Email Address: unavailable

Facility Information:

Business Name: Citizens Gas
Responsible Party Personal Name: Tony Chan
Title (if any): Manager Gas Distribution
Address: 2150 Dr/ Martin Luther King Jr. St.
City, State, Zip: Indianapolis, IN 46202
Preferred Telephone: (317) 927-4619
Cell Phone Number: (317) 407-8278
Email Address: achan@citizensenergygroup.com

Locator Service Information:

Business Name: USIC
Responsible Party Personal Name: Blaine Walters
Title (if any): District Manager
Address: 518 Herriman Court
City, State Zip: Noblesville, IN 46060
Preferred Telephone: (317) 776-1479
Cell Phone Number: unavailable
Email Address: BlaineWalters@usicinc.com

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

Personal Contact: n/a
Business/Organization Name: n/a
Title (if any) n/a
Address: n/a
City, State, Zip: n/a
Preferred Telephone: n/a
Cell Phone Number: n/a
Email Address: n/a

Utility Line Impact:

Location of Damage:

Address: 165 Olde Mill Cir Ndr
City, State Zip: Indianapolis, IN 46260
Nearest Intersection: W 86th St & N Illinois St

Product Type (circle one):

Natural Gas
 Liquid Pipeline
 Unknown/Other

Facility Type (circle one):

Distribution
 Gathering
 Service/Drop
 Transmission
 Unknown/Other

Size (Diameter/etc.): 1"

Pressure (PSIG/Inches): 30 psig

Interruption in Service Yes / No Number of Customers Affected: 1

Evacuation: Yes No If yes, How Many Evacuated? 0

Repair Cost (if known): \$ unknown

Cause of Damage Information:

Type of Equipment (circle one):

Auger

Backhoe/Trackhoe

Boring /Drilling

Directional Drilling

Explosives

Farm Equipment

Grader/Scraper

Hand Tools

Milling Equipment

Probing Device

Trencher

Vacuum Equipment

Unknown/Other

Type of Work Performed (circle 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

Ignition and/or Fire: Yes / No

Excavator Notify 811: Yes / No

Locate Information:

Excavator Request Locate: Yes / No

Indiana 811 Locate Ticket Number: #0909250249

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: 0

Number of Inpatient Treated: 0

Number of Fatalities: 0

Fire Department Response: Yes / No

Police Department Response: Yes / No

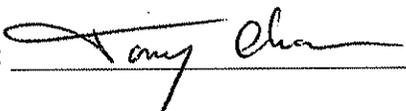
Ambulance Response: Yes / No

Additional Information/Comments:

Contractor cut into a 1" plastic service while installing a drainage system. Locates marked correctly

YOUR PIPELINE SAFETY DIVISION CASE NO. 0729
YOUR FULL NAME: Tony Chan
FULL NAME OF BUSINESS/ENTITY (if applicable): Citizens Energy Group
YOUR BUSINESS TITLE (if applicable): Manager Gas Distribution
ADDRESS: 2150 Dr. Martin Luther King Jr St
CITY: Indianapolis STATE: IN ZIP CODE: 46202
YOUR TELEPHONE NUMBER: (317) 927 - 4619 SECOND NO. (317) 407-8278
YOUR EMAIL ADDRESS: achan@citizensenergygroup.com

TODAY'S DATE: 04/13/12

YOUR SIGNATURE:  TITLE (if any) Manager Gas Distribution

Please return your Narrative Statement and Answers to the above questions to:

**Pipeline Safety Division – Case No. 0729
Indiana Utility Regulatory Commission
101 West Washington Street, # 1500E
Indianapolis, IN 46204**

Or scan document(s) and Email to:

PipelineDamageCase@urc.in.gov

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2" PL YL

16" WR TRAN

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W 86TH ST

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2" PL

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The Parties:

Excavator Information:

Business Name: MPD Excavating LLC
Responsible Party Personal Name: Jim Meyer
Title (if any): Managing Member
Address: 5691 S. 900 E, Zionsville, IN 46077
City, State Zip:
Preferred Telephone: 317-339-3574
Cell Phone Number: 317-339-3574
Email Address: jim.meyer@gmail.com

Facility Information:

Business Name: Citizens Gas
Responsible Party Personal Name:
Title (if any):
City, State, Zip
Address:
Preferred Telephone:
Cell Phone Number:
Email Address:

Locator Service Information:

Business Name: S.M.E.P.
Responsible Party Personal Name:
Title (if any):
Address: 13085 Hamilton Crossing Blvd.
City, State Zip: Carmel, IN 46032
Preferred Telephone: 317-575-7800 (811)
Cell Phone Number:
Email Address:

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

Personal Contact:

Business/Organization Name:

Title (if any)

Address:

City, State, Zip

Preferred Telephone:

Cell Phone Number:

Email Address:

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Product Type (circle one):

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Liquid Pipeline

Unknown/Other

Facility Type (circle one):

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Gathering

Service/Drop

Transmission

Unknown/Other

Size (Diameter/etc.): 314"

Pressure (PSIG/Inches): _____

Interruption in Service: Yes / No

Number of Customers Affected: 1

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

Repair Cost (if known): \$ 85.34

Cause of Damage Information:

Type of Equipment (circle one):

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- 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

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September 20, 2011

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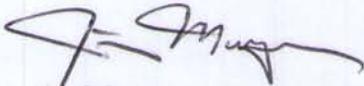
Indiana Utility Regulatory Commission
101 West Washington Street Suite 1500 B
Indianapolis, IN 46204-3407

To Whom It May Concern:

Upon notice of Preliminary Determination of Violation, I decided to write this letter to state our position. In 2009 I was awarded a project working for Karns Inc. installing underdrain in the Olde Mill Condominiums complex off of east 86th Street. Karns removed the existing concrete curb throughout this complex, we installed +-4000 lf of underdrain, and they replaced the curb. This project started September 28th and finished October 19th, we "MPD" had multiple locates tickets throughout this project. We worked closely with SM&P and their locator. We probably crossed 300 gas services not to mention phone, electric and water. The mentioned service line was located by SM&P, regrettably damaged by us and repaired by Citizens Gas. I am confused on the violation, "failure to provide notice" and two years later receive this notice. I have been in this business for a number of years and know better then to dig blindly. I must admit my ignorance for not keeping the locate ticket numbers for this long. Hopefully SM&P will have the records you need to clear this up.

If you have any questions or comments please call me.

Sincerely,



Jim Meyer
Managing Member of MPD Excavating LLC



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www.citizensgas.com

PO Box 7056 | Indianapolis, IN | 46207-7056

Account Number
958712-186631

Payment Due Date
01/23/10

Amount to be paid by 01/23/10	85.34
Amount to be paid after 01/23/10	85.34

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MDP EXCAVATING
5691 S 900 E
ZIONSVILLE IN 46077



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Account Summary

Billing for: 165 OLDE MILL CIR NDR UNIT CLBHS

Date Billed: 12/23/09

Account Balance of Last Bill.....	\$0.00
Payment(s) Received.....	0.00
Total Balance from Previous Bill.....	0.00

Current Period Charges

Sales Tax	0.97
Misc Billing-Labor	68.14
Misc Billing-Material.....	16.23
Total Current Charges	85.34
Account Balance as of 12/23/09.....	\$85.34

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See reverse side for phone numbers, office location, hours, and definition of terms.