



Pipeline Safety Division Investigation Report

Investigation regarding: **Sheila Watson**

UPPAC Database Record ID: 3067

Investigator: Howard Friend

Report Date: 6/17/2012

Damage Date: 6/17/2012

Damage Address: 3918 Truro Ct

City: Indianapolis

County: Marion

The Parties

Excavator: **Sheila Watson**

Contact:

Address: 3918 Truro Ct, Indianapolis, In 46228

Telephone: 317-329-1303

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): \$

Excavator Activities/Cause of damage information:

Excavator request locates: No Indiana 811 ticket Number:

Type of Equipment: Hand Tools

Type of work performed: Fencing

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

Findings: Reported by Tony Chan (Citizens Gas); the excavator failed to respond to initial notice which was delivered and signed for on 8/6/2012. The excavator/occupant failed to provide notice of excavation. The excavation was 18” deep and required notice of excavation.

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

State Form 54122 (R2 / 7-11)
INDIANA UTILITY REGULATORY COMMISSION

Submitted to IURC-Pipeline Safety on: Jun 21, 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: SHEILA WATSON

Business address (*number and street*): 3918 TRURO CT

City, State, and ZIP code: Indianapolis, IN 46228

Telephone number (*area code*): 317-329-1303

Fax number (*area code*): _____

E-mail address: _____

Excavation or Demolition Information

Excavator type: Occupant

Excavation or demolition equipment: Hand Tools

Type of work performed: Fencing

Date and Location of Damage

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

County: Marion _____

City: Indianapolis _____

Street address (*number and street, city, state, and ZIP code*):
3918 TRURO CT _____

Nearest intersection: BONN BLVD _____

Right of way where damage occurred: Private Easement

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*): 2.5 _____

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? 18 _____

Notification, Locating, Marking

Did excavator request locates prior to commencing work? No

Enter Indiana 811 ticket number, if known: No locate requested _____

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? Contractor

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: 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: --No notification made to the one-call center

Additional Comments

Occupant was digging in excess of 12 inches requiring a valid locate request.