U.S. Department of Transportation Pipeline and Hazardous Materials Safety Administration

2018 Gas State Program Evaluation

for

NEW YORK DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SERVICE

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2018 Gas State Program Evaluation -- CY 2018 Gas

State Agency: New York Rating:

Agency Status: 60105(a): Yes 60106(a): No Interstate Agent: Yes

Date of Visit: 10/07/2019 - 10/11/2019

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INSTRUCTIONS:

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Complete this evaluation in accordance with the Procedures for Evaluating State Pipeline Safety Program. The evaluation should generally reflect state program performance during CY 2018 (not the status of performance at the time of the evaluation). All items for which criteria have not been established should be answered based on the PHMSA representative's judgment. A deficiency in any one part of a multiple part question should be scored as needs improvement. Determine the answer to the question then select the appropriate point value. If a state receives less then the maximum points, include a brief explanation in the space provided for general comments/regional observations. If a question is not applicable to a state, select NA. Please ensure all responses are COMPLETE and ACCURATE, and OBJECTIVELY reflect state program performance. Increasing emphasis is being placed on performance. This evaluation together with selected factors reported in the state's annual progress report attachments provide the basis for determining the state's pipeline safety grant allocation.

Scoring Summary

PAKIS	S Possible Points Poi		Points Scored
Α	Progress Report and Program Documentation Review	10	10
В	Program Inspection Procedures	13	13
C	Program Performance	49	49
D	Compliance Activities	15	15
E	Incident Investigations	11	11
F	Damage Prevention	8	8
G	Field Inspections	11	11
Н	Interstate Agent State (If Applicable)	7	7
I	60106 Agreement State (If Applicable)	0	0
TOTAL	LS	124	124
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PART A - Progress Report and Program Documentation Review

Points(MAX) Score

1 Accuracy of Jurisdictional Authority and Operator/Inspection Units Data - Progress 1 Report Attachment 1
Yes = 1 No = 0 Needs Improvement = .5

Evaluator Notes:

Verified operator data, annual reports and the State files to assure numbers are correct. No issues identified with the jurisdiction of operators.

Review of Inspection Days for accuracy - Progress Report Attachment 2

Yes = 1 No = 0 Needs Improvement = .5

Evaluator Notes:

Reviewed data in the NYDPS timesheets and data collection to verify inspection days. Jeff Kline reviews and gathers all inspection data and inputs into the Progress Report. Data is very detailed and accurate.

Accuracy verification of Operators and Operators Inspection Units in State - Progress 1

Report Attachment 3

Yes = 1 No = 0 Needs Improvement = .5

Evaluator Notes:

Verified operator with annual reports and PDM. There were no issues identified. NY DPS is working with the gathering operators to submit annual reports to PHMSA. Some operators may not be jurisdictional under PHMSA definition but state has own laws for jurisdiction of gathering lines.

Were all federally reportable incident reports listed and information correct? - Progress

Report Attachment 4

Yes = 1 No = 0 Needs Improvement = .5

Evaluator Notes:

Yes, verified Attachment 4 incident investigated with PDM and there were no issues identified. The NYDPS investigated all reportable incidents.

5 Accuracy verification of Compliance Activities - Progress Report Attachment 5

Yes = 1 No = 0 Needs Improvement = .5

Evaluator Notes:

The number carried over from 2017 (46) are different than 2018 (63) due to not counting several violations but numbers were corrected to include those violations, which raised the total carry over to 63.

6 Were pipeline program files well-organized and accessible? - Progress Report 2 2 Attachment 6

Yes = 2 No = 0 Needs Improvement = 1

Evaluator Notes

Records are kept electronically in the server which is available to inspectors.

Was employee listing and completed training accurate and complete? - Progress Report 1 Attachment 7

Yes = 1 No = 0 Needs Improvement = .5

Evaluator Notes

Yes, verified inspector training with blackboard. There are no issues with the training.

8 Verification of Part 192,193,198,199 Rules and Amendments - Progress Report 1 1 1 Attachment 8

Yes = 1 No = 0 Needs Improvement = .5

Evaluator Notes:

Verified the adoption all rules and amendments. State adopts rules within 2 years of amendments.



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Evaluator Notes:

Yes, list accomplishments in Progress Report. Part of their accomplishments is to complete all inter and intra state inspections of operators. Continue to enforce the legislative changes to the damage prevention laws. Continue to investigate concerns/issues with OQ and plastic fusion.

10 General Comments: Info OnlyInfo Only

Info Only = No Points

Evaluator Notes:

The NY DPS is mainly complying with Part A of the Evaluation.

Total points scored for this section: 10 Total possible points for this section: 10



- Standard Inspection procedures should give guidance to state inspectors that insure consistency in all inspections conducted by the state? The following elements should be addressed at a minimum pre-inspection activities, inspection activities, post-inspection activities.
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Yes = 2 No = 0 Needs Improvement = 1

Evaluator Notes:

Staff Guidance Manual has procedures for conducting Standard Inspections. The procedures include pre and post inspection activities. The procedures are well detailed and give guidance to inspectors.

2 IMP and DIMP Inspection procedures should give guidance to state inspectors that insure consistency in all inspections conducted by the state? The following elements should be addressed at a minimum - pre-inspection activities, inspection activities, post-inspection activities.

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Yes = 1 No = 0 Needs Improvement = .5

Evaluator Notes:

State Guideline Manual has IMP and DIMP inspection procedures. Section 4.5 has Program Audits which includes IMP and DIMP inspections. Section 4 gives guidance to inspectors on conducting IMP inspections which include pre and post inspection activities.

- 3 OQ Inspection procedures should give guidance to state inspectors that insure consistency in all inspections conducted by the state? The following elements should be addressed at a minimum - pre-inspection activities, inspection activities, post-inspection activities.
 - Yes = 1 No = 0 Needs Improvement = .5

Evaluator Notes:

State Guideline Manual has OQ inspection procedures. Section 4.5 has Program Audits which includes OQ inspections. Section 4 gives guidance to inspectors on conducting OQ inspections which include pre and post inspection activities.

- Damage Prevention Inspection procedures should give guidance to state inspectors that insure consistency in all inspections conducted by the state? The following elements should be addressed at a minimum - pre-inspection activities, inspection activities, postinspection activities.
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Yes = 1 No = 0 Needs Improvement = .5

Evaluator Notes:

Chapter 8 of the Staff Guidance Manual located in r:\division\gaswater\ safety\sgm. This procedure provides guidance for performing field investigations, the citation forms used, routing and final dispensation of Part 753 citations, notifications for probable violations, and investigative hearings.

- 5 Any operator training conducted should be outlined and appropriately documented as needed.

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Yes = 1 No = 0 Needs Improvement = .5

Evaluator Notes:

Section 4.12 of the Staff Guidance Manual provides guidance for operator training.

- 6 Construction Inspection procedures should give guidance to state inspectors that insure consistency in all inspections conducted by the state? The following elements should be addressed at a minimum pre-inspection activities, inspection activities, post-inspection activities.
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Yes = 1 No = 0 Needs Improvement = .5

Evaluator Notes

Chapter 6 of the Guidance Manual has procedures for Construction Inspections. Procedures give detail of how and what consists of a construction inspection.

7	uni	es inspection plan address inspection priorities of each operator, and if necessary each t , based on the following elements? $t = 6 \text{ No} = 0 \text{ Needs Improvement} = 1-5$	6		6
	a.	Length of time since last inspection (Within five year interval)	Yes •	No 🔾	Needs Improvement
	b.	Operating history of operator/unit and/or location (includes leakage, incident and pliance activities)	Yes •	No 🔾	Needs Improvement
	c.	Type of activity being undertaken by operators (i.e. construction)	Yes 💿	No 🔘	Needs Improvement
	d. area	Locations of operators inspection units being inspected - (HCA's, Geographic s, Population Density, etc)	Yes •	No 🔾	Needs Improvement
		Process to identify high-risk inspection units that includes all threats - (Excavation nage, Corrosion, Natural Forces, Outside Forces, Material and Welds, Equipment, rators and any Other Factors)	Yes •	No 🔾	Needs Improvement
	f.	Are inspection units broken down appropriately?	Yes •	No 🔘	Needs Improvement
statis	the l	es: NYDPS utilizes statistical sampling to conduct their inspections. Section 4.3.1 and 4.3 sampling. The NYDPS establishes a 5 year inspection plan which includes higher risk quently. Section 4.2 has provisions for risk ranking.			
8		neral Comments: p Only = No Points	Info On	lyInfo Or	nly
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The	NYD	PPS is mainly complying with Part B of the Evaluation.			
		Total points so Total possible p			

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1	Was ratio of Total Inspection person-days to total person days acceptable? (Director of State Programs may modify with just cause) Chapter 4.3 $Yes = 5 No = 0$	5		5
	A. Total Inspection Person Days (Attachment 2): 2363.90			
	B. Total Inspection Person Days Charged to the Program (220 X Inspection Person Years) (Attachment 7): 220 X 24.13 = 5308.97			
	Ratio: A / B 2363.90 / 5308.97 = 0.45			
	If Ratio >= 0.38 Then Points = 5, If Ratio < 0.38 Then Points = 0 Points = 5			
	r Notes: reviewed inspection days to verify the total inspection person days to total person days was the requirement of .38.	s accepta	ble. The	ratio of .45
2	Has each inspector and program manager fulfilled the T Q Training Requirements? (See Guidelines Appendix C for requirements) Chapter 4.4 Yes = 5 No = 0 Needs Improvement = 1-4	5		5
	a. Completion of Required OQ Training before conducting inspection as lead?	Yes •	No 🔾	Needs Improvement
	b. Completion of Required DIMP*/IMP Training before conducting inspection as lead? *Effective Evaluation CY2013	Yes •	No 🔘	Needs Improvement
	c. Root Cause Training by at least one inspector/program manager	Yes 💿	No 🔾	Needs Improvement
	d. Note any outside training completed	Yes •	No 🔘	Needs Improvement
F 1 .	e. Verify inspector has obtained minimum qualifications to lead any applicable standard inspection as the lead inspector.	Yes •	No 🔘	Needs Improvement
a. Yob. Yoc. Yod. Tl	all inspectors have or will complete all required TQ training requirements. es, reviewed inspection reports to assure lead inspectors are qualified. es, DIMP/IMP inspectors are qualified before leading inspections. es, inspectors have taken the root cause training course. here was no additional training in 2018. es, reviewed inspection reports to verify lead inspectors were qualified.			
3	Did state records and discussions with state pipeline safety program manager indicate adequate knowledge of PHMSA program and regulations? Chapter 4.1,8.1 Yes = 2 No = 0 Needs Improvement = 1	2		2
	•	MSA pro	gram and	d
4 Evaluato	Did state respond to Chairman's letter on previous evaluation within 60 days and correct or address any noted deficiencies? (If necessary) Chapter 8.1 Yes = 2 No = 0 Needs Improvement = 1 r Notes:	2		2
	the Chairman letter was mailed on September 10, 2018 and response received on October	12, 2018.		
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Evaluator Notes:

Years? Chapter 8.5 Yes = 1 No = 0

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Yes. Seminar was conducted in Saratoga Springs on September 24/25/26, of 2013. Seminar was conducted in Canandaigua on September 13/14/15 of 2016. Seminar was conducted in Cooperstown on September 17/18/19/20 of 2019.

Did State conduct or participate in pipeline safety training session or seminar in Past 3

Did state inspect all types of operators and inspection units in accordance with time

Did inspection form(s) cover all applicable code requirements addressed on Federal

Inspection form(s)? Did State complete all applicable portions of inspection forms?

Yes. The NY DPS keeps excel files located in each operator's '5 Year Audit Plan' folder. Inspections are conducted on Program level, field and O&M which are inspected on a five year cycle. LNG inspections are conducted annually.

Yes, the five year plan covers all applicable code requirements in each type of inspections. The NY DPS utilizes IA for Program Inspections (IMP, OQ, CRM..etc) Have own forms used during the standard inspections which include all

intervals established in written procedures? Chapter 5.1

Yes = 5 No = 0 Needs Improvement = 1-4

Yes = 2 No = 0 Needs Improvement = 1

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Has state confirmed intrastate transmission operators have submitted information into 13 NPMS database along with changes made after original submission? Yes = 1 No = 0 Needs Improvement = .5

Evaluator Notes:

Yes. NY DPS periodically reviews that intrastate operators have submitted information into NPMS database, along with any modifications. The question is on the inspection forms.

14 Is the state verifying operators are conducting drug and alcohol tests as required by 2 regulations? This should include verifying positive tests are responded to in accordance with program. 49 CFR 199 Yes = 2 No = 0 Needs Improvement = 1

Evaluator Notes:

Yes. A comprehensive plan review was completed for all operators in 2013. The documentation is located within r:\division \gaswater\safety\Drug & Alcohol Audits. Any changes will be reviewed at intervals not exceeding 5-years

Is state verifying operators OQ programs are up to date? This should include verification of any plan updates and that persons performing covered tasks (including contractors) are properly qualified and requalified at intervals determined in the operators plan. 49 CFR 192 Part N Yes = 2 No = 0 Needs Improvement = 1

Evaluator Notes:

Yes, reviewed inspection reports to verify OQ inspections are being completed. The reports were kept in the OQ Database and are also kept in their "r" Drive.

16 Is state verifying operator's gas transmission integrity management programs (IMP) are up to date? This should include a previous review of IMP plan, along with monitoring progress on operator tests and remedial actions. In addition, the review should take in to account program review and updates of operators plan(s). (Are the State's largest operators programs being contacted or reviewed annually? Are replies to Operator IM notifications addressed? (formerly part of Question C-13)). 49 CFR 192 Subpart 0 Yes = 2 No = 0 Needs Improvement = 1

Evaluator Notes:

Yes, reviewed inspection reports to assure IMP inspections are being completed within their inspection time frame cycles. Staff inspects IMP work being carried out by the operators and document its findings in Inspection Assistant (IA).

17 Is state verifying operator's gas distribution integrity management Programs (DIMP)? This should include a review of DIMP plans, along with monitoring progress. In addition, the review should take in to account program review and updates of operators plan(s). (Are the State's largest operators programs being contacted or reviewed annually?). 49 CFR 192 Subpart P Yes = 2 No = 0 Needs Improvement = 1

Evaluator Notes:

Yes. The comprehensive DIMP Plan audits have been completed and their results are documented in Inspection Assistant. The recommendation letters, any associated findings, and audit documentation can be found at the following location: t: \division/gaswater/safety/DIMP

18 Is state verifying operators Public Awareness programs are up to date and being followed. State should also verify operators have evaluated Public Awareness programs for effectiveness as described in RP1162. PAPEI Effectiveness Inspections should be conducted every four years by operators. 49 CFR 192.616

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Yes = 2 No = 0 Needs Improvement = 1

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will	continue, and will be documented in Inspection Assistant (IA).			
19	Does the state have a mechanism for communicating with stakeholders - other than state pipeline safety seminar? (This should include making enforcement cases available to public). Yes = 1 No = 0 Needs Improvement = .5	1		1
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	. A public website, www.dps.ny.gov. This website provides stakeholders with the ability to	search a	any and a	all of the
com	nmission documents, file a complaint, dispute a resolution, view press releases, view public n	otices, a	ınd view	webcasts.
20	Did state execute appropriate follow-up actions to Safety Related Condition (SRC) Reports? Chapter 6.3 Yes = 1 No = 0 Needs Improvement = .5	1		1
Evaluato	or Notes:			
to P	Pre were three SRCR on intrastate pipelines in 2018. The NY DPS follows up on the corrective PHMSA. Reports of follow up and status of reports are kept in their "T" drive. Reviewed reports the state action.			
21	Did the State ask Operators to identify any plastic pipe and components that has shown a record of defects/leaks and what those operators are doing to mitigate the safety concerns? Yes = 1 No = 0 Needs Improvement = .5	1		1
Evaluato				
Yes	Quarterly meetings are held with the operators to discuss advisory bulletins, pipe/compone position, federal notices, etc. Plastic failures are submitted by operators quarterly.	nt defec	ts and th	eir
22	Did the state participate in/respond to surveys or information requests from NAPSR or PHMSA? Yes = 1 No = 0 Needs Improvement = .5	1		1
Evaluato	or Notes:			
Yes	NY actively participates in NAPSR Survey Requests			
23	If the State has issued any waivers/special permits for any operator, has the state verified conditions of those waivers/special permits are being met? This should include having the operator amend procedures where appropriate. No = 0 Needs Improvement = .5 Yes = 1	1		1
Evaluato	•			
	are are several waivers in the PHMSA website that were not approved by PHMSA so are not sed to New York State Electric & Gas Corporation in 2004 is now an interstate pipeline.	open wa	ivers. Th	ne waiver
24	Did the state attend the NAPSR National Meeting in CY being evaluated? No = 0 Needs Improvement = .5 Yes = 1	1		1
Evaluato	or Notes:			
Yes	, Mr. Speicher and Mr. Thomas attended the 2018 NAPSR National Meeting in Maine.			
25	Discussion on State Program Performance Metrics found on Stakeholder Communication site - http://primis.phmsa.dot.gov/comm/states.htm No = 0 Needs Improvement = 1 Yes = 2	2		2
	a. Discussion of Potential Accelerated Actions (AA's) based on any negative trends	Yes 💿	No 🔾	Needs Improvement
	b. NTSB P-11-20 Meaningful Metrics	Yes •	No 🔘	Needs Improvement
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Disc	cussed performance metrics with Mr. Speicher. All metrics look like they are in a positive treat and the hits per 1,000 tickets is at 1.6. There are no issues or concerns with the performance			repaired are

Yes. Due to operators not having comprehensive plans on previous inspections, secondary reviews have commenced and

Discussion with State on accuracy of inspection day information submitted into State
Inspection Day Calculation Tool (SICT) Has the State updated SICT data?
No = 0 Yes = 1

Evaluator Notes

Discussed SICT days with Mr. Speicher. The numbers from the SICT were reduced due to two operators abandoning their pipelines and the interstate agent anticipated inspection days were lower than expected.

Did the State verify Operators took appropriate action regarding Pipeline Flow Reversals,
 Product Changes and Conversions to Service? See ADP-2014-04
 Needs Improvement = .5 No = 0 Yes = 1

Evaluator Notes:

Yes. The NY DPS sent ADB-2014-04 to all operators. Quarterly meetings are held with the operators to discuss advisory bulletins. NY DPS to initiate discussions related to pipeline flow reversals, product changes, and conversions to service.

28 General Comments: Info OnlyInfo Only
Info Only = No Points

Evaluator Notes:

The NY DPS is mainly complying with Part C of the Evaluation.

Total points scored for this section: 49 Total possible points for this section: 49



Does the state have written procedures to identify steps to be taken from the discove resolution of a probable violation? Chapter 5.1 Yes = 4 No = 0 Needs Improvement = 1-3	ery to 4	4	
a. Procedures to notify an operator (company officer) when a noncompliance is identified	Yes •	No O Nee	ds rovement
 Procedures to routinely review progress of compliance actions to prevent dela breakdowns 	ys or Yes •	- Nee	
c. Procedures regarding closing outstanding probable violations	Yes	- Nee	
Evaluator Notes: Yes. Sections 4.9, 4.10, and 4.11, of the Staff Guidance Manual located in r:\division\gasv procedures provide examples on how to accumulate violations, how to accumulate pieces addressing compliance letters, addressing violation specifics, and audit correspondence an specific guidance on compliance meetings, high/other risk violations, and a tiered penalty current merger/rate case.	of evidence, p d documentat	provides guida tion. In addition	on,
Did the state follow compliance procedures (from discovery to resolution) and adeq document all probable violations, including what resolution or further course of actineeded to gain compliance? (Incident Investigations do not need to meet 30/90 day requirement) Chapter 5.1 Yes = 4 No = 0 Needs Improvement = 1-3		4	
a. Were compliance actions sent to company officer or manager/board member i municipal/government system?	f Yes •	No O Nee Imp	ds rovement
b. Document probable violations	Yes	- Nee	ds rovement
c. Resolve probable violations	Yes		rovement O
d. Routinely review progress of probable violations	Yes •		rovement O
e. Within 30 days, conduct a post-inspection briefing with the owner or operator the gas or hazardous liquid pipeline facility inspected outlining any concerns; and	Yes (•)	- Nee	ds rovement
f. Within 90 days, to the extent practicable, provide the owner or operator with w preliminary findings of the inspection.	vritten Yes	Naa	
Evaluator Notes: Yes. Reviewed the 'Correspondence Audits' folder for each company, which are located of letters and audit response letters are organized per year. Per procedure, compliance meeting preliminary violations are presented, and the operators are provided five business days to a for compliance. Section 4.9 has post inspection briefing within 30 days of completing inspection. Section 4.9 has provision to provide operator with written notice within 90 days.	ngs are held a	fter each audit	t,
Did the state issue compliance actions for all probable violations discovered? Yes = 2 No = 0 Needs Improvement = 1	2	2	
Evaluator Notes: Yes. Reviewed inspection reports for completion and for probable violations being address letters address all violations discovered and are located within their specific company fold case agreements, enforcement protocols have been established to address the instances of associated penalties will be documented and tracked through the rate/merger case proceeds.	ers on the r:\ non-complian	drive. Per rate	e/merger
Did compliance actions give reasonable due process to all parties? Including "show cause" hearing if necessary. Yes = 2 No = 0	2	2	

cause"
Yes = 2
Evaluator Notes:

Yes. Each record audit letter states "Please provide a written response, within 30 days, outlining what actions have and/or will be taken by [the operator] to prevent similar violations from occurring." Similar to the answer provided in question #3 of this section, enforcement protocols have been established to address the instances of non-compliances identified and their associated penalties.

Is the program manager familiar with state process for imposing civil penalties? Were civil penalties considered for repeat violations (with severity consideration) or violations resulting in incidents/accidents? (describe any actions taken)

Yes = 2 No = 0 Needs Improvement = 1

Evaluator Notes:

Yes, Mr. Kevin Speicher is very familiar with the state's process for imposing civil penalties. The NYDPS uses what is called the 25/25A, which addresses compliance actions against companies for violations identified during investigations.

6 Can the State demonstrate it is using their enforcement fining authority for pipeline safety 1 violations?

Yes = 1 No = 0 Needs Improvement = .5

Evaluator Notes:

Yes, the NYDPS issues civil penalties and uses its fining authority either thru consent orders, final orders and rate case proceedings.

7 General Comments: Info OnlyInfo Only
Info Only = No Points

Evaluator Notes:

The NYDPS is mainly complying with Part D of the Evaluation.

Total points scored for this section: 15 Total possible points for this section: 15

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Yes = 2 No = 0 Needs Improvement = 1

Accident notifications received? Chapter 6

Yes = 2 No = 0 Needs Improvement = 1

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3	If onsite investigation was not made, did state obtain sufficient information operator and/or by other means to determine the facts to support the decision on-site? Chapter 6 Yes = 1 No = 0 Needs Improvement = .5			1
the fir	ompany arrived on site, whether or not there was and the number of injuries, fata ne critical facilities involved, greater than \$5,000 in property damage, asbestos re re departments notified, the date and time of restoration, the cause, description of which may be applicable.	elease, the customers	notified,	the police
4	Were all incidents investigated, thoroughly documented, and with conclusion recommendations? Yes = 3 No = 0 Needs Improvement = 1-2	ons and 3		3
	a. Observations and document review	Yes (No O	Needs Impro
	b. Contributing Factors	Yes (No O	Needs Impro
	o. Controuding ractors			
4	recommendations? Yes = 3 No = 0 Needs Improvement = 1-2 a. Observations and document review	Yes (\bigcirc

Does the state have written procedures to address state actions in the event of an incident/

reports, reports to the Commission, incident report files, and incidents on interstate facilities.

Does state have adequate mechanism to receive and respond to operator reports of

Acknowledgement of MOU between NTSB and PHMSA (Appendix D)

Acknowledgement of Federal/State Cooperation in case of incident/accident

incidents, including after-hours reports? And did state keep adequate records of Incident/

Yes. Chapter 9 of the SGM. This chapter provides guidance for media contact, notifications for both business and nonbusiness hours, investigations and documentations, internal notifications, accident investigation guidelines, field investigation

Yes. Chapters 9, Section 3 of the SGM. During business hours, all incident notifications will be received in the Albany Office by Safety Section staff. The person receiving this notification will record the information given on Form GW-1 Safety Section Incident Notification Report located in: r:\division\gaswater\safety\sgm. Albany clerical staff has been instructed to

show one of the Albany Engineering Staff each report received during business days. Albany Engineering Staff will determine if further investigation is required and, if necessary, contact local supervision that covers the area of the incident for any required follow-up action, which may include dispatching Section Staff for an on-site investigation, or contacting the



follow up actions are documented in the '753' database. Also included in this database, are any complaints made by excavators or third parties which results in an enforcement action.

5 Did the state initiate compliance action for violations found during any incident/accident 1 investigation?

Yes = 1 No = 0

Evaluator Notes:

Yes, issued compliance actions to operator due to an incident investigation. Linked through the '753' database, compliance actions are determined by the commission at the monthly Session. These items are logged through the 'Document and Matter Management System (DMM)' which is located via the web. Also included in DMM are 25/25A compliance actions against companies for violations identified during investigations.

Did the state assist Region Office or Accident Investigation Division (AID) by taking appropriate follow-up actions related to the operator incident reports to ensure accuracy and final report has been received by PHMSA? (validate report data from operators concerning incidents/accidents and investigate discrepancies) Chapter 6

Yes = 1 No = 0 Needs Improvement = .5

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Evaluator Notes:

Yes. Contact for PHMSA Eastern Region office is Marta Reindeau.

Does state share lessons learned from incidents/accidents? (sharing information, such as: 1
 at NAPSR Region meetings, state seminars, etc)
 Yes = 1 No = 0

Evaluator Notes:

Yes. All pertinent details of incidents are shared at the NAPSR Region Meetings and state Training and Qualification Seminars.

8 General Comments: Info OnlyInfo Only

Evaluator Notes:

Info Only = No Points

The NYDPS is mainly complying with Part E of the Evaluation.

Total points scored for this section: 11 Total possible points for this section: 11



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Has the state reviewed directional drilling/boring procedures of each pipeline operator or its contractor to determine if they include actions to protect their facilities from the dangers posed by drilling and other trench less technologies? NTSB

Yes = 2 No = 0 Needs Improvement = 1

Evaluator Notes:

Yes. As directional drilling/boring procedures are submitted by each pipeline operator or its contractors, they are reviewed by the Albany Engineering Staff in consultation with each affected Field Office. Any comments/recommendations are then provided back to the operator.

Did the state inspector verify pipeline operators are following their written procedures pertaining to notification of excavation, marking, positive response and the availability and use of the one call system?

Yes = 2 No = 0 Needs Improvement = 1

Evaluator Notes:

Yes. During construction monitoring, incident investigations, and 753 enforcement activities, state inspectors verify that each operator is following its written procedures pertaining to the notification of excavation, marking, positive response, and the availability and use of the one-call system. NY inspectors also respond to complaints made by operators, excavators, and third parties regarding the one-call systems, their process, and compliance with applicable regulations.

Did the state encourage and promote practices for reducing damages to all underground 2 facilities to its regulated companies? (i.e. such as promoting/adopting the CGA Best Practices encouraging adoption of the 9 Elements, etc.)

Yes = 2 No = 0 Needs Improvement = 1

Evaluator Notes:

Yes. In addition to promoting/adopting the CGA Best Practices, NY has incorporated performance measures into the rate cases of several of the jurisdictional pipeline operators. In addition, an independent consultant was selected, in Case 13-M-0314, to audit the performance data submitted by several of these jurisdictional pipeline operators. The results of this audit were presented at the March 17, 2016 Session, its recommendations evaluated, and implemented completed by the operators

Has the agency or another organization within the state collected data and evaluated trends on the number of pipeline damages per 1,000 locate requests? (This can include DIRT and other data shared and reviewed by the pipeline safety program)

Yes = 2 No = 0 Needs Improvement = 1

Evaluator Notes:

Yes. NY collects and evaluates the data associated with pipeline damages per 1,000 locate request. NY published the 2018 Performance Measures Report on June 13, 2019, in Case 19-G-0298.

5 General Comments: Info OnlyInfo Only
Info Only = No Points

Evaluator Notes:

The NYDPS is mainly complying with Part F of the Evaluation.

Total points scored for this section: 8 Total possible points for this section: 8



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		of Operator Inspected: kirk Cogen Partners, (2) Central Hudson Gas & Electric, and (3) National Grid		
		of State Inspector(s) Observed: an Foti (Lead), (2) Steven Dilillo (Lead), (3) Alexander Cook (Lead), and Micahe	:1	
		on of Inspection: kirk, NY, (2) Kingston, NY, and (3) Cohoes, NY		
		Finspection: r 22 - 24, 2019		
	Name of Clint St	of PHMSA Representative: tephens		
	or Notes:			1 1 (2)
		luation consisted of a (1) Standard O&M Inspection, (2) regulator station annual n nspection.	naintenance ch	neck, and (3)
2		e operator or operator's representative notified and/or given the opportunity to be during inspection? $N_0 = 0$	1	1
Evaluato	or Notes:			
Yes	s. The ope	erator representative was notified and was present during the inspection.		
3	used as	inspector use an appropriate inspection form/checklist and was the form/checklist a guide for the inspection? (New regulations shall be incorporated) No = 0 Needs Improvement = 1	t 2	2
Evaluato	or Notes:			
Yes	s. The insp	pectors used the NYPSC inspection checklists which have some areas more string	ent than the fe	deral code.
4		inspector thoroughly document results of the inspection? No = 0 Needs Improvement = 1	2	2
Evaluato	or Notes:			
Yes	s. The insp	pectors thoroughly documented results of the inspections on the inspection checkli	ists.	
5		inspector check to see if the operator had necessary equipment during inspection luct tasks viewed? (Maps,pyrometer,soap spray,CGI,etc.) No = 0	1	1
Evaluato	or Notes:			
	s. The inspinguishers	pectors checked calibration of odorometer, combustible gas indicator, pressure gau	ages, soap spra	ay, and fire
6	evaluat	inspector adequately review the following during the field portion of the state ion? (check all that apply on list) No = 0 Needs Improvement = 1	2	2
	a.	Procedures		
	b.	Records		
	c.	Field Activities		
	ď	Other (please comment)		

Yes. The inspector reviewed O&M manual procedures, CP, patrolling, odorization, class location, and OQ records. The field activities included the observation of valve operations, opp testing, atmospheric corrosion, chart recorder testing, plastic service line replacement, pressure testing, and tracer wire installation.



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]	D.	Valve Maintenance	\boxtimes
]	E.	Vault Maintenance	
]	F.	Welding	
•	G.	OQ - Operator Qualification	\boxtimes
]	H.	Compliance Follow-up	
]	I.	Atmospheric Corrosion	\boxtimes
	J.	Other	
Evaluator Note	es:		
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The inspectors observed the testing of over pressure protection devices, valve operations, odorant testing, atmospheric corrosion, plastic service line replacement, OQ records, and pressure test of service line. The inspectors did a good job interacting with the operator and identifying possible issues of concern.

> Total points scored for this section: 11 Total possible points for this section: 11



PAR'	Γ H - Interstate Agent State (If Applicable) P	oints(MAX)	Score	
1	Did the state use the current federal inspection form(s)?	1	1	
	Yes = 1 No = 0 Needs Improvement = .5			
	or Notes:			
NY	utilized IA and PIMs as directed by the Region.			
2	Are results documented demonstrating inspection units were reviewed in accordance "PHMSA directed inspection plan"? Yes = 1 No = 0 Needs Improvement = .5	with 1	1	
Evaluate	or Notes:			
Res	sults were documented in IA as directed by the Region			
3	Did the state submit documentation of the inspections within 60 days as stated in its la Interstate Agent Agreement form? Yes = 1 No = 0 Needs Improvement = .5	atest 1	1	
	or Notes:			
Res	sults were documented in IA and completed at time of inspection.			
4	Were probable violations identified by state referred to PHMSA for compliance? (NO PHMSA representative has discretion to delete question or adjust points, as appropria based on number of probable violations; any change requires written explanation.) Yes = 1 No = 0 Needs Improvement = .5		1	
NY	or Notes: identified probable violations, which resulted in cases being issued. 1 LC, 1 WL were is stember 2019.	sued between (October 201	18 and
5	Did the state immediately report to PHMSA conditions which may pose an imminent safety hazard to the public or to the environment? Yes = 1 No = 0 Needs Improvement = .5	1	1	
Evaluate	or Notes:			
The	ere were no immediate safety hazard concerns.			
6	Did the state give written notice to PHMSA within 60 days of all probable violations found? Yes = 1 No = 0 Needs Improvement = .5	1	1	
Evaluate	or Notes:			
	identified probable violation by submitting inspection records and PIM within 60 days.			
7	Did the state initially submit documentation to support compliance action by PHMSA probable violations? Yes = 1 No = 0 Needs Improvement = .5	on 1	1	
Evaluate	or Notes:			
NY	submitted necessary inspection records for identified probable violations			
0		Info Onl-I	ofo Only	
8	General Comments:	Info Onlyli	по Опіу	
Evaluate	Info Only = No Points or Notes:			
	provided thorough IA inspections, PIM and evidence, and brought concerns to PHMSA	's attention.		

Total points scored for this section: 7 Total possible points for this section: 7

PAR	Γ I - 60106 Agreement State (If Applicable) Po	oints(MAX)	Score	
1	Did the state use the current federal inspection form(s)? Yes = 1 No = 0 Needs Improvement = .5	1	NA	
Evaluato	•			
The	NYDPS does not have a 60106 Agreement.			
2	Are results documented demonstrating inspection units were reviewed in accordance v state inspection plan? Yes = 1 No = 0 Needs Improvement = .5	vith 1	NA	
Evaluato	*			
The	NYDPS does not have a 60106 Agreement.			
3	Were any probable violations identified by state referred to PHMSA for compliance? (NOTE: PHMSA representative has discretion to delete question or adjust points, as appropriate, based on number of probable violations; any change requires written explanation.) Yes = 1 No = 0 Needs Improvement = .5	1	NA	
Evaluato	or Notes:			
The	NYDPS does not have a 60106 Agreement.			
4	Did the state immediately report to PHMSA conditions which may pose an imminent safety hazard to the public or to the environment? Yes = 1 No = 0 Needs Improvement = .5	1	NA	
Evaluato				
The	NYDPS does not have a 60106 Agreement.			
5	Did the state give written notice to PHMSA within 60 days of all probable violations found? Yes = 1 No = 0 Needs Improvement = .5	1	NA	
Evaluato	*			
	NYDPS does not have a 60106 Agreement.			
6	Did the state initially submit adequate documentation to support compliance action by PHMSA on probable violations? Yes = 1 No = 0 Needs Improvement = .5	1	NA	
Evaluato	1			
The	NYDPS does not have a 60106 Agreement.			
7	General Comments: Info Only = No Points	Info Onlyli	nfo Only	
Evaluato	or Notes:			



Total points scored for this section: 0 Total possible points for this section: 0

The NYDPS does not have a 60106 Agreement.