

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

2010 Natural Gas State Program Evaluation

for

MARYLAND PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

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2010 Natural Gas State Program Evaluation -- CY 2010 Natural Gas

State Agency: Maryland Agency Status:		Rating: 60105(a): Yes	60106(a): No	Interstate Agent: No
Date of Visit: 04/12/2011	- 04/29/2011	()		8
Agency Representative:	John Clementson			
PHMSA Representative:	Dino N.Rathod, P.E.			
Commission Chairman to	o whom follow up letter is to be	sent:		
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INSTRUCTIONS:

Complete this evaluation in accordance with the Procedures for Evaluating State Pipeline Safety Program. The evaluation should generally reflect state program performance during CY 2010 (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 certification/agreement attachments provide the basis for determining the state's pipeline safety grant allocation.

Field Inspection (PART F):

The field inspection form used will allow different areas of emphasis to be considered for each question. Question 13 is provided for scoring field observation areas. In completing PART F, the PHMSA representative should include a <u>written summary</u> which thoroughly documents the inspection.

Scoring Summary

PARTS	6	Possible Points	Points Scored
A	General Program Qualifications	26	25
В	Inspections and Compliance - Procedures/Records/Performance	24.5	23
С	Interstate Agent States	0	0
D	Incident Investigations	7	7
Е	Damage Prevention Initiatives	9	9
F	Field Inspection	11	11
G	PHMSA Initiatives - Strategic Plan	9.5	9
Н	Miscellaneous	3	3
Ι	Program Initiatives	9	9
TOTA	LS	99	96
State R	ating		97.0

1	Certifica attachme improves each	state submit complete and accurate information on the attachments to its most current 60105(a) tion/60106 (a) Agreement? (NOTE: PHMSA Representative to verify certification/agreement ents by reviewing appropriate state documentation. Score a deficiency in any one area as "needs ment". Attachment numbers appear in parenthesis) Previous Question A.1, Items a-h worth 1 point	8	7
		 0 Needs Minor Improvement = 3-7 Needs Major Improvement = 2 State Jurisdiction and agent status over gas facilities (1) 		
	a. b.	Total state inspection activity (2)	\boxtimes	
			\boxtimes	
	С.	Gas facilities subject to state safety jurisdiction (3)	\boxtimes	
	d.	Gas pipeline incidents (4)	\boxtimes	
	e.	State compliance actions (5)	\boxtimes	
	f.	State record maintenance and reporting (6)	\boxtimes	
	g.	State employees directly involved in the gas pipeline safety program (7)	\boxtimes	
67 D 1 I	h.	State compliance with Federal requirements (8)	\boxtimes	
Atta	or correction chment 1- L	ns NG Jurisdiction (intrastate)- PSC to review and revise: Yes/60105 n-1. Indicated as Date of automatic adoption10/1999. Currently shown limits became effeictive much lat	er.	
2	with 601 property	state have an adequate mechanism to receive operator reporting of incidents to ensure state compliance $05(a)$ Certification/60106(a) Agreement requirements (fatality, injury requiring hospitalization, damage exceeding \$50,000 - Mechanism should include receiving "after hours" reports)? (Chapter 6) Question A.2	1	1
SLR No	otes:			
3	state req be held a Yes = 2 No	state held a pipeline safety TQ seminar(s) in the last 3 years? (NOTE: Indicate date of last seminar or if uested seminar, but T&Q could not provide, indicate date of state request for seminar. Seminars must tt least once every 3 calendar years.) (Chapter 8.5) Previous Question A.4 p=0	2	2
SLR No PSC		2 seminar May 5-7, 2010 in Linthicum Heights, MD		
4		beline safety program files well-organized and accessible?(NOTE: This also includes electronic files) 5) Previous Question A.5 = 0	1	1
SLR No				
		omputerized data as well hard copies; These are easily accessible		
5	of PHMS	e records and discussions with the state pipeline safety program manager indicate adequate knowledge SA program and regulations? (Chapter 4.1, Chapter 8.1) Previous Question A.6 = 0 Needs Improvement = 1	2	2
	n Clementson	n has extensive pipeline regulatory experience. He has completed T&Q training. He provides guidance to MSA and NAPSR.	PSC inspe	ction staff. He works
6	Region's	state respond in writing within 60 days to the requested items in the Chairman's letter following the last program evaluation? (No response is necessary if no items are requested in letter and mark "Yes") (8.1) Previous Question A.8	1	1
SLR No	otes:			
yes;	PSC respon	ded to Chairman letter within 60 days.		
7	previous	tions, if necessary, did the State initiate as a result of issues raised in the Chairperson's letter from the year? Did actions correct or address deficiencies from previous year's evaluation? (No response is y if no items are requested in letter and mark "Yes") (Chapter 8.1) Previous Question A.8/A.9	1	1

SLR Notes:

PSC is working with damage prevention enhancement and re-write of Miss Utility Law. No final outcome is expected anytime soon.

Personnel and Qualifications

8 Has each inspector fulfilled the 3 year TQ training requirement? If No, has the state been granted a waiver
 3 3
 3 regarding TQ courses by the Associate Administrator for Pipeline Safety? (NOTE: If the State has new inspectors who have not attended all TQ courses, but are in a program which will achieve the completion of all applicable courses within 3 years of taking first course (5 years to successfully complete), or if a waiver has been granted by the applicable Region Director for the state, please answer yes.) (Chapter 4.4) Previous Question A.10

 Yes = 3 No = 0

SLR Notes:

Yes.

- Info Only Info Only 9 Brief Description of Non-TQ training Activities: Info Only = No Points For State Personnel: For Operators: For Non-Operator Entities/Parties, Information Dissemination, Public Meetings: SLR Notes: Did the lead inspectors complete all required T&Q OQ courses and Computer Based Training (CBT) before 1 1 10 conducting OQ Inspections? (Chapter 4.4.1) Previous Question A.12 Yes = 1 No = 0SLR Notes: Did the lead inspectors complete all required TQ Integrity Management (IMP) Courses/Seminars and CBT 1 1 11 before conducting IMP Inspections? (Chapter 4.4.1) Previous Question A.13 Yes = 1 No = 0SLR Notes: Was the ratio acceptable of Total inspection Person-days to Total Person-days charged to the program by state 5 5 12 inspectors? (Region Director may modify points for just cause) (Chapter 4.3) Previous Question B.12 Yes = 5 No = 0A. Total Inspection Person Days (Attachment 2): 448.30 B. Total Inspection Person Days Charged to the Program (220 X Inspection Person Years) (Attachment 7): 220 X 3.71 = 816.20 Ratio: A / B 448.30 / 816.20 = 0.55 If Ratio ≥ 0.38 Then Points = 5, If Ratio < 0.38 Then Points = 0 Points = 5SLR Notes:
 - 13 Have there been modifications or proposed changes to inspector-staffing levels? (If yes, describe) Previous Info Only Info Only Question B.13 Info Only = No Points

SLR Notes:

In April 2011 Inspector Kalu Emeaba resigned and left PSC. PSC initiated plans to fill this vacancy. PSC may make final selection shortly.

14 Part-A General Comments/Regional Observations

Info Only = No Points

SLR Notes:

Info Only Info Only

Total points scored for this section: 25 Total possible points for this section: 26

PART B - Inspections and Compliance - Procedures/Records/ Performance	Points(MAX)	Score

1	(Cl	es the State have a written inspection plan to complete the following? (all types of operators including LNG) napter 5.1) Previous Question B.1 + Chapter 5 Changes + Incorporate LNG = 6.5 No = 0 Needs Improvement = 50% Deduction	6.5	6	5.5
	а	Standard Inspections (Including LNG) (Max points = 2)	Yes 💽	No 🔿	Needs Improvement
	b	IMP Inspections (Including DIMP) (Max points = .5)	Yes 🖲	No 🔿	Needs Improvement
	c	OQ Inspections (Max points = .5)	Yes 💽	No 🔿	Needs Improvement
	d	Damage Prevention (Max points = .5)	Yes 💽	No 🔿	Needs Improvement
	e	On-Site Operator Training (Max points = .5)	Yes 💽	No 🔿	Needs Improvement
	f	Construction Inspections (Max points = .5)	Yes 💽	No 🔿	Needs Improvement
	g	Incident/Accident Investigations (Max points = 1)	Yes 💽	No 🔿	Needs Improvement
	h	Compliance Follow-up (Max points = 1)	Yes 🖲	No 🔿	Needs Improvement
2	Qu	d the written Procedures for selecting operators adequately address key concerns? (Chapter 5.1) Previous estion B.2, items a-d are worth .5 point each	2	1	1.5
2	Qu Ye	estion B.2, items a-d are worth .5 point each s = 2 No = 0 Needs Improvement = 50% Deduction			Needs
2	Qu Ye a	estion B.2, items a-d are worth .5 point each s = 2 No = 0 Needs Improvement = 50% Deduction Length of time since last inspection	Yes ()	No 💿	Needs Improvement Needs
2	Qu Ye	estion B.2, items a-d are worth .5 point each s = 2 No = 0 Needs Improvement = 50% Deduction Length of time since last inspection History of Operator/unit and/or location (including leakage , incident and compliance history)	Yes () Yes ()	No 💿 No 💿	Needs Improvement Needs Improvement
2	Qu Ye a	estion B.2, items a-d are worth .5 point each s = 2 No = 0 Needs Improvement = 50% Deduction Length of time since last inspection	Yes ()	No 💿	Needs Improvement Needs Improvement Needs Improvement
	Qu Ye a b c d	estion B.2, items a-d are worth .5 point each s = 2 No = 0 Needs Improvement = 50% Deduction Length of time since last inspection History of Operator/unit and/or location (including leakage , incident and compliance history)	Yes () Yes ()	No 💿 No 💿	Needs Improvement Needs Improvement
2 SLR N	Qu Ye a b c d	estion B.2, items a-d are worth .5 point each s = 2 No = 0 Needs Improvement = 50% Deduction Length of time since last inspection History of Operator/unit and/or location (including leakage , incident and compliance history) Type of activity being undertaken by operator (construction etc)	Yes () Yes () Yes ()	No () No () No ()	Needs Improvement Needs Improvement Improvement Needs

Did the state inspect all types of operators and inspection units in accordance with time intervals established in 2 2 3 its written procedures? (Chapter 5.1) Previous Question B.3 Yes = 2 No = 0

SLR No	tes:		
4	Did the state inspection form cover all applicable code requirements addressed on the Federal Inspection forms? (Chapter 5.1 (3)) Previous Question B.4 $Y_{es} = 1 N_0 = 0$	1	1
SLR No	tes:		
5	Did state complete all applicable portions of inspection forms? (Chapter 5.1 (3)) Previous Question B.5 $Y_{es} = 1 N_0 = 0$	1	0
SLR No	tes:		
Disc	ussed with PSC need for filling in necessary inspection details and have it done consistently by all inspection staff.		
6 SL P. No	Did the state initiate appropriate follow-up actions to Safety Related Condition Reports? (Chapter 6.3) Previous Question B.6 Yes = .5 No = 0	.5	NA

SLR Notes:

NO SRC reported in CY 2010

7	Did the state review operator procedures for determining if exposed cast iron pipe was examined for evidence of graphitization and if necessary remedial action was taken? (NTSB) Previous Question B.7 Yes = $.5 \text{ No} = 0$.5	.5
SLR No			
PSC	inspection form EN-16, Exposed Pipe Part 192.459		
8	Did the state review operator procedures for surveillance of cast iron pipelines, including appropriate action resulting from tracking circumferential cracking failures, study of leakage history, or other unusual operating maintenance condition? (Note: See GPTC Appendix G-18 for guidance) (NTSB) Previous Question B.8 Yes = $.5 \text{ No} = 0$.5	.5
SLR No			
PSC	inspection Check List EN-16 Protecting cast iron Part 192.755		
9	Did the state review operator emergency response procedures for leaks caused by excavation damage near buildings and determine whether the procedures adequately address the possibility of multiple leaks and underground migration of gas into nearby buildings Refer to $4/12/01$ letter from PHMSA in response to NTSB recommendation P-00-20 and P-00-21? (NTSB) Previous Question B.9 Yes = $.5 \text{ No} = 0$.5	.5
SLR No	tes:		
PSC	inspection form E-16 covers review of Emergency Plan procedures		
10	Did the state review operator records of previous accidents and failures including reported third party damage and leak response to ensure appropriate operator response as required by 192.617? (NTSB) Previous Question B.10 Yes = $1 \text{ No} = 0$	1	1
SLR No			
Co	mpliance - 60105(a) States		
11	Did the state adequately document sufficient information on probable violations? (Chapter 5.2) Previous Question B.14 $Yes = 1 No = 0$ Needs Improvement = .5	1	1
SLR No	tes:		
12	Does the state have written procedures to identify the steps to be taken from the discovery to the resolution of a probable violation as specified in the "Guidelines for State Participating in the Pipeline Safety Program"? (Chapter 5.1) Previous Question $D(1).1$ Yes = 1 No = 0 Needs Improvement = .5	1	1
SLR No			
13	Does the state have written procedures to notify an operator when a noncompliance is identified as specified in the "Guidelines for States Participating in the Pipeline Safety Program"? (Chapter 5.1(4)) Previous Question D (1).2	1	1
SLR No	Yes = 1 No = 0 Needs Improvement = .5		
SER NO			
14	Does the state have a written procedure for routinely reviewing the progress of compliance actions to prevent delays or breakdowns of the enforcement process, as required by the "Guidelines for States Participating in the Pipeline Safety Program"? (Chapter 5.1(5)) Previous Question D(1).3 Yes = $1 \text{ No} = 0 \text{ Needs Improvement} = .5$	1	1
SLR No	-		

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10	Has the State issued compliance actions for all probable violations discovered? (Note : PHMSA representative has discretion to delete question or adjust points, as appropriate, based on number of probable violations; any change requires written explanation) Previous Question $D(1).4$	1	1
SLR Note	Yes = 1 No = 0		
	2010 PSC found 55 probable Violations		
mer			
16	Did the state follow its written procedures for reviewing compliance actions and follow-up to determine that prompt corrective actions were taken by operators, within the time frames established by the procedures and compliance correspondence, as required by the "Guidelines for States Participating in the Pipeline Safety Program"? Previous Question $D(1).5$ Yes = 1 No = 0 Needs Improvement = .5	1	1
SLR Note			
17	If compliance could not be established by other means, did state pipeline safety program staff request formal action, such as a "Show Cause Hearing" to correct pipeline safety violations? (check each states enforcement procedures) Previous Question $D(1).6$ No = 0 Yes = 1	1	1
SLR Note			
18	Did the state adequately document the resolution of probable violations? (Chapter 5.1 (6)) Previous Question $D(1).7$ Yes = 1 No = 0 Needs Improvement = .5	1	1
SLR Note			
			.5
19	Were compliance actions sent to a company officer? (manager or board member if municipal/government system) (Chapter 5.1(4)) Previous Question D(1).8 $Y_{es} = 5 N_0 = 0$.5	
19 SLR Note	system) (Chapter 5.1(4)) Previous Question D(1).8 Yes = .5 No = 0	.5	
	system) (Chapter 5.1(4)) Previous Question D(1).8 Yes = .5 No = 0 ES: Did the compliance proceedings give reasonable due process to all parties? (check each states enforcement procedures) Previous Question D(1).9	.5	1
SLR Note	system) (Chapter 5.1(4)) Previous Question D(1).8 Yes = .5 No = 0 es: Did the compliance proceedings give reasonable due process to all parties? (check each states enforcement procedures) Previous Question D(1).9 Yes = 1 No = 0 Needs Improvement = .5		
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SLR Note 20 SLR Note Con	system) (Chapter 5.1(4)) Previous Question D(1).8 Yes = .5 No = 0 2S: Did the compliance proceedings give reasonable due process to all parties? (check each states enforcement procedures) Previous Question D(1).9 Yes = 1 No = 0 Needs Improvement = .5 2S: Did the state use the current federal inspection form(s)? Previous Question D(2).1 Yes = 1 No = 0 Needs Improvement = .5 2S: Are results adequately documented demonstrating inspection units were reviewed in accordance with state inspection plan? Previous Question D(2).2	1	1
SLR Note 20 SLR Note Coi 21 SLR Note	system) (Chapter 5.1(4)) Previous Question D(1).8 Yes = 5 No = 0 ES: Did the compliance proceedings give reasonable due process to all parties? (check each states enforcement procedures) Previous Question D(1).9 Yes = 1 No = 0 Needs Improvement = .5 ES: Did the state use the current federal inspection form(s)? Previous Question D(2).1 Yes = 1 No = 0 Needs Improvement = .5 ES: Are results adequately documented demonstrating inspection units were reviewed in accordance with state inspection plan? Previous Question D(2).2 Yes = 1 No = 0 Needs Improvement = .5	1	1 NA
SLR Note 20 SLR Note Con 21 SLR Note 22	system) (Chapter 5.1(4)) Previous Question D(1).8 Yes = 5 No = 0 ES: Did the compliance proceedings give reasonable due process to all parties? (check each states enforcement procedures) Previous Question D(1).9 Yes = 1 No = 0 Needs Improvement = .5 ES: Did the state use the current federal inspection form(s)? Previous Question D(2).1 Yes = 1 No = 0 Needs Improvement = .5 ES: Are results adequately documented demonstrating inspection units were reviewed in accordance with state inspection plan? Previous Question D(2).2 Yes = 1 No = 0 Needs Improvement = .5	1	1 NA

24	Did the state immediately report to PHMSA conditions which may pose an imminent safety hazard to the public or to the environment? Previous Question $D(2).4$ Yes = 1 No = 0 Needs Improvement = .5	2 1	NA
SLR Not	*		
25	Did the state give written notice to PHMSA within 60 days of all probable violations found? Previous Question $D(2).5$ Yes = 1 No = 0 Needs Improvement = .5	1	NA
SLR Not	res:		
26	Did the state initially submit adequate documentation to support compliance action by PHMSA on probable violations? Previous Question D(2).6 $Y_{es} = 1 N_0 = 0 Needs Improvement = .5$	1	NA
SLR Not			
27	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) Info Only = No Points	Info Only	NA
SLR Not			
28	Part B: General Comments/Regional Observations Info Only = No Points	Info Only	NA
SLR Not	es:		

Total points scored for this section: 23 Total possible points for this section: 24.5

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1	Did the state use the current federal inspection form(s)? Previous Question D(3).1	1	NA
SLR Not	Yes = 1 No = 0 Needs Improvement = .5		
2	Are results documented demonstrating inspection units were reviewed in accordance with "PHMSA directed inspection plan"? Previous Question $D(3).2$ Yes = 1 No = 0 Needs Improvement = .5	1	NA
SLR Not	*		
3	Did the state submit documentation of the inspections within 60 days as stated in its latest Interstate Agent Agreement form? Previous Question $D(3).3$ Yes = 1 No = 0	1	NA
SLR Not	es:		
4	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.) Previous Question $D(3).4$ Yes = 1 No = 0	1	NA
SLR Not	es:		
5	Did the state immediately report to PHMSA conditions which may pose an imminent safety hazard to the public or to the environment? Previous Question $D(3).5$ Yes = 1 No = 0 Needs Improvement = .5	ic 1	NA
SLR Not			
6	Did the state give written notice to PHMSA within 60 days of all probable violations found? Previous Questio $D(3).6$ Yes = 1 No = 0	on 1	NA
SLR Not	es:		
7	Did the state initially submit documentation to support compliance action by PHMSA on probable violations? Previous Question D(3).7 Yes = 1 No = 0 Needs Improvement = .5	1	NA
SLR Not			
8	Part C: General Comments/Regional Observations	Info Only	Info Only
SLR Not	Info Only = No Points es:		
	Total n	oints scored f	or this section: 0
	-		for this section: 0

1	Are state personnel following the procedures for Federal/State cooperation in case of an incident? (See Appendix in "Guidelines for States Participating in the Pipeline Safety Program") (Chapter 6.1) Previous Question E.1	1		1
SLR No	Yes = 1 No = 0 Needs Improvement = .5			
2	Are state personnel familiar with the jurisdictional authority and Memorandum of Understanding between NTSB and PHMSA? (See Appendix in "Guidelines for States Participating in the Pipeline Safety Program") (Chapter 6 ? Appendix D) Previous Question E.2 Yes = $5 \text{ No} = 0$.5		5
SLR No				
3	Did the state keep adequate records of incident notifications received? Previous Question E.3 Yes = 1 No = 0 Needs Improvement = .5	1		1
SLR No	otes:			
4	If an onsite investigation of an incident was not made, did the state obtain sufficient information by other means to determine the facts and support the decision not to go on-site? Previous Question E.4 Yes = $1 \text{ No} = 0$ Needs Improvement = .5	1		1
SLR No				
5	Were investigations thorough and conclusions and recommendations documented in an acceptable manner? Previous Question E.5, comprehensive question worth 2 points total Yes = 2 No = 0 Needs Improvement = 1	2		2
	a. Observations and Document Review	Yes 💿	No 🔿	Needs Improvement
	b. Contributing Factors	Yes 💿	No 🔿	Needs Improvement
SLR No	c. Recommendations to prevent recurrences where appropriate	Yes 🖲	No 🔿	Needs Improvement
6	Did the state initiate enforcement action for violations found during any incident investigation(s)? Previous Question E.6 Variation Yes = $1 N_0 = 0$ Needs Improvement = .5	1		1
SLR No				
7	Did the state assist region office by taking appropriate follow-up actions related to the operator incident reports to ensure accuracy and final report has been received by PHMSA? (validate annual report data from operators concerning incidents/accidents and investigate discrepancies) (Chapter 6) Previous Question E.7/E.8 Yes = $5 \text{ No} = 0$.5	0.	5
SLR No				
8	Part D: General Comments/Regional Observations	Info Only	Info Onl	у
-	Info Only = No Points	5		
SLR No	otes:			



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	1	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? Previous Question B.11 Yes = $2 \text{ No} = 0 \text{ Needs Improvement} = 1$	2	2
SLF	for the	es: ad requested the LDC's Directional Drilling/Boring procedures back in October 2008. The procedures were revier ir facilities as well as the facilities of other utilities. They were also reviewed to see if the procedures called for a ack process		
	2	Did the state inspector check to assure the pipeline operator is following its written procedures pertaining to notification of excavation, marking, positive response and the availability and use of the one call system? New 2008 $Y_{es} = 2 N_0 = 0$	2	2
SLF		PSC has plastic pipe and steel main construction inspection forms (EN-33 ans EN-34) have a space for the Miss in on and the date the excavation started. PSC inspector also verfies compliance with LDCs procedures.	Utility ticket	number, the date it was
	3	Did the state encourage and promote the adoption of the Common Ground Alliance Best Practices document to its regulated companies as a means of reducing damages to all underground facilities? Previous Question A.7 Yes = $2 \text{ No} = 0 \text{ Needs Improvement} = 1$	2	2
SLF				
	4	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? New 2008 $Y_{es} = 1 N_0 = 0$	1	1
SLF		equested the LDC's Damages per Thousand Locate Tickets for years 2006 thru 2010. PSC also reviews data for per on also requested the number of damages according to the three following categories; Failure to call Miss Utility, Damage occurred as a result of an error made by the operator, and Damage occurred even though the utility was marked correctly.	ossible trend	s. The Engineering
	5	Did the state review operators' records of accidents and failures due to excavation damage to ensure causes of failure are addressed to minimize the possibility of recurrence as required by 192.617? Yes = $2 \text{ No} = 0$	2	2
SLF	R Note			
	PSC re	esponds to reports of possible incidents and works closely with LDCs for excavation damages.		
SLF	6 R Note	Part E: General Comments/Regional Observations Info Only = No Points 28:	Info Only	Info Only

Total points scored for this section: 9

Total possible points for this section: 9

1	Operator, Inspector, Location, Date and PHMSA Representative Info Only = No Points	Info Only	Info Only
	Name of Operator Inspected: Washington Gas (WGL); BG&E		
	Name of State Inspector(s) Observed: R.K.Amroliwala; J. Clementson and A Jaiyeola		
	Location of Inspection: Springfiled, Va and Baltimore,MD		
	Date of Inspection: 04/12/2011; 4/21/2011		
	Name of PHMSA Representative: Dino N. Rathod, P.E.		
SLR Not	tes:		
Mult	ilpe field activities at various locations		
2	Was the operator or operator's representative notified and/or given the opportunity to be present during inspection? New 2008 $Yes = 1 No = 0$	1	1
SLR Not	tes:		
LDC	Reps were present for various planned field evaluation activities		
3	Did the inspector use an acceptable inspection form/checklist and was the form/checklist used as a guide for the inspection? (New regulations shall be incorporated) Previous Question F.2 $Y_{es} = 2 N_0 = 0$	2	2
SLR Not			
	inspectors used State Inspection check List(s) and PHMSA Protocol form for OQ# 9 Field Verification activities.		
4	Did the inspector thoroughly document results of the inspection? Previous Question F.3 $Yes = 2 No = 0$	2	2
SLR Not	tes:		
5	Did the inspector check to see if the operator had necessary equipment during inspection to conduct tasks viewed? (Maps, pyrometer, soap spray, CGI, etc.) New 2008 $Y_{es} = 1 \text{ No} = 0$	1	1
SLR Not	tes:		
6	What type of inspection(s) did the state inspector conduct during the field portion of the state evaluation? (i.e. Standard, Construction, IMP, etc) New 2008 Info Only = No Points	Info Only	Info Only
SLR Not	tes:		
	P Implementation Status review; Pipe Repalcement with new plastic pipe; Discuss PHMSA advisories etc (San Bru	ino, Ca incid	lent)
7	Did the inspector adequately review the following during the field portion of the state evaluation? (check all that apply on list) New 2008, comprehensive question worth 2 points total $Yes = 2 No = 0 Needs Improvement = 1$	2	2
	a. Procedures	\boxtimes	
	b. Records	\boxtimes	
	c. Field Activities/Facilities	\boxtimes	
	d. Other (Please Comment)	\boxtimes	

SLR Notes:

8	Did the inspector have adequate knowledge of the pipeline safety program and regulations? (Liaison will document reasons if unacceptable) Previous Question F.8 $Y_{es} = 2 N_0 = 0$	2	2
SLR No			
	inspectors have completed required T&Q training and have demonstrated adequate level of understanding of pipe	line safety pr	ogram regulations
9	Did the inspector conduct an exit interview? (If inspection is not totally complete the interview should be based on areas covered during time of field evaluation) Previous Question F.10 $Y_{es} = 1 N_0 = 0$	d 1	1
SLR No	tes:		
10	During the exit interview, did the inspector identify probable violations found during the inspections? Previou Question F.11 Yes = $1 \text{ No} = 0$	us l	NA
SLR No	tes:		
No p	robale violations were discovered during field activities. PSC inspectors did discuss concerns to field crew.		
11	What did the inspector observe in the field? (Narrative description of field observations and how inspector performed) Info Only = No Points	Info Only	Info Only
Apri Apri	tes: inspectors performed field activities. l 12- R.K. Amroliwala WGL- Joint DIMP Status Review, Springfiled, VA with DC PSC inspector M Singh l 19 A Jaiyeola BG&E- Pipe replacement, Baltimore l 21- J Clementson BG&E- Review of PHMSA Advisories, proactive measures LDCs can consider taking resultin	ng from San 1	Brunco, Ca incident
12	Best Practices to Share with Other States - (Field - could be from operator visited or state inspector practices)	Info Only	Info Only
SLR No	Info Only = No Points tes:		
13	Field Observation Areas Observed (check all that apply) Info Only = No Points	Info Only	Info Only
	a. Abandonment	\boxtimes	
	b. Abnormal Operations		
	c. Break-Out Tanks		
	d. Compressor or Pump Stations		
	e. Change in Class Location f. Casings		
	i. Cashigs		

Cathodic Protection g. h. Cast-iron Replacement \boxtimes i. Damage Prevention \square j. Deactivation k. **Emergency Procedures** 1. Inspection of Right-of-Way Line Markers m. n. Liaison with Public Officials Leak Surveys 0. MOP p. MAOP q. Moving Pipe r.

	s.	New Construction
	t.	Navigable Waterway Crossings
	u.	Odorization
	v.	Overpressure Safety Devices
	w.	Plastic Pipe Installation
	X.	Public Education
	y.	Purging
	Z.	Prevention of Accidental Ignition
	A.	Repairs
	B.	Signs
	C.	Tapping
	D.	Valve Maintenance
	E.	Vault Maintenance
	F.	Welding
	G.	OQ - Operator Qualification
	H.	Compliance Follow-up
	I.	Atmospheric Corrosion
	J.	Other
SLR Notes:		
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DIMP implementation Status Review with WGL

14 Part F: General Comments/Regional Observations Info Only = No Points

SLR Notes:

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Total points scored for this section: 11

Total possible points for this section: 11

	8	Points(MAX)	Score
Ris	sk base Inspections - Targeting High Risk Areas		
1	Does state have process to identify high risk inspection units? Yes = 1.5 No = 0	1.5	1.5
	Risk Factors (criteria) to consider may include:		
	Miles of HCA's, Geographic area, Population Density		
	Length of time since last inspection		
	History of Individual Operator units (leakage, incident and compliance history, etc.)		
	Threats - (Excavation Damage, Corrosion, Natural Forces, Other Outside Forces, Material or Welds,		
	Equipment, Operations, Other) tes: Inspection Procedure, page 3 outline describes "Risk Based Inspection Plan" review. According to PSC, this ocumented for CY 2011 evaluation cycle.	process will be for	malized and results v
2	Are inspection units broken down appropriately? (see definitions in Guidelines) Yes = $.5 \text{ No} = 0$.5	0.5
		ertifications indicat	e that the Commissio
3	Consideration of operators DIMP Plan? (if available and pending rulemaking) Info Only = No Points	Info Only	Info Only
	tes: also eagerly awaits the arrival of Distribution Integrity Management (DIMP). The Engineering division will it has completed its training with T&Q	begin its inspection	of DIMP plans this
4	Does state inspection process target high risk areas? Yes = .5 No = 0	.5	0.5
		nical coupling leak	issue and Eastern Sho
Us	e of Data to Help Drive Program Priority and Inspections		
5	Does state use data to analyze effectiveness of damage prevention efforts in the state? (DIRT or other dat Yes = $.5 \text{ No} = 0$	a, etc) .5	0.5
SLR Not PSC	tes: continues to collect damage data- damages per 1000 ticket requests for 2000-2010. PSC actively promotes da	amage prevention p	rogram
6	Has state reviewed data on Operator Annual reports for accuracy? Yes = .5 No = 0	.5	0.5
SLR Not Yes;			
7	Has state analyzed annual report data for trends and operator issues?	.5	0.5
N D Ma	$Yes = .5 N_0 = 0$		
SLR Not PSC	tes: performs analysis of annual report data. PSC shared with GOAC meeting in Sept 2010		
8	Has state reviewed data on Incident/Accident reports for accuracy? Yes = .5 No = 0	.5	0.5

SLR Notes:

yes. PSc routinely reviews LDC data on gas incidents.

9	Does state do evaluation of effectiveness of program based on data? (i.e. performance measures, trends, etc.) $Y_{es} = .5 N_0 = 0$.5	0
		manual ar	d include key steps and
10	Did the State input all operator qualification inspection results into web based database provided by PHMSA in a timely manner upon completion of OQ inspections? Previous Question B.15 Yes = $.5 \text{ No} = 0$.5	0.5
SLR No	otes:		
For	2010, PSC performed 31 OQ inspections and uploaded in OQDB.		
11	Did the State submit their replies into the Integrity Management Database (IMDB) in response to the Operators notifications for their integrity management program? Previous Question B.16 Yes = $5 \text{ No} = 0$.5	NA
SLR No			
12	Have the IMP Federal Protocol forms been uploaded to the IMDB? Previous Question B.17 $Y_{es} = .5 N_0 = 0$.5	0.5
SLR No			
PSC	comleted 2 IMP inspections and expect to upload in IMDB shortly. PSC to advise of progress.		
13	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? Previous Question B.18 $Y_{es} = .5 N_0 = 0$.5	0.5
SLR No			
PSC	has requested LDCs for this information at various GOAC meetings.		
14	Has state confirmed transmission operators have submitted information into National Pipeline Mapping System (NPMS) database along with any changes made after original submission? $Y_{es} = .5 N_0 = 0$.5	0.5
SLR No	otes:		

Ac	cident/Incident Investigation Learning and Sharing Lessons Lea	ırned		
15	Has state shared lessons learned from incidents/accidents? (i.e. NAPSR meetings and communications) Yes = $5 \text{ No} = 0$.5	0.5	
SLR Not	es:			
PSC	has shared with NASPR members at ER meetings			
16	Does the State support data gathering efforts concerning accidents? (Frequency/Consequence/etc) Yes = .5 No = 0	.5	0.5	
SLR Not	es:			
17	Does state have incident/accident criteria for conducting root cause analysis? Info Only = No Points	Info Only	Info Only	
SLR Not	es:			

18 Does state conduct root cause analysis on incidents/accidents in state?

19	Has state participated on root cause analysis training? (can also be on wait list) Yes = $.5 \text{ No} = 0$.5	0.5	
SLR 1				
	SC inspectors completed Root cause Analysis training.			
Т	ransparency - Communication with Stakeholders			
20	Other than pipeline safety seminar does State communicate with stakeholders? (Communicate program data, pub awareness, etc.) Yes = $.5 \text{ No} = 0$.5	0.5	
SLR N	Notes:			
P	SC communicated on a quarterly basis with GOAC meetings and on an individual basis with LDCs.			
21	Does state share enforcement data with public? (Website, newsletters, docket access, etc.) Yes = $.5 \text{ No} = 0$.5	0.5	
SLR 1				
	D PSC website: tp://webapp.psc.state.md.us/Intranet/home.cfm			
22	Part G: General Comments/Regional Observations Info Only = No Points	Info Only	Info Only	
SLR 1				

Total points scored for this section: 9 Total possible points for this section: 9.5



1	What were the major accomplishments for the year being evaluated? (Describe the accomplishments, NAPS Activities and Participation, etc.) Yes = $.5 \text{ No} = 0$	R .5	0.5	
SLR I				
1	John Clementson is currently the Eastern Region chair, a member of Liaison Committee and is also a member of t ifety.	he NARUC Staff	Sub-committee on	Gas
	PSC participated in a successful rewrite of the State's current "Miss Utility" law which was signed by the Governo	r in May of 2010)	
2	What legislative or program initiatives are taking place/planned in the state, past, present, and future? (Desc initiatives (i.e. damage prevention, jurisdiction/authority, compliance/administrative, etc.) Yes = $.5 \text{ No} = 0$	cribe .5	0.5	
SLR I	Notes:			
P U	SC has two members on the stake holders group that is charged with the re-write of Title 12 ? Damage Prevention tility" law was sent to Annapolis to be made into law. The revisions made through the legislature and were signed visions to the law became effective in October of 2010			
3	Any Risk Reduction Accomplishments/Projects? (i.e. Cast iron replacement projects, bare steel, third-party damage reductions, etc.) Yes = .5 No = 0	.5	0.5	
p	Notes: SC encourages pipe replacement of bare steel and cast iron. As a result, Eastern Shore Gas has met its first deadlir ogram. They now have until 2018 to replace the remaining 7 miles of bare steel. They have currently replaced 23 olumbia Gas has entered into a 20 year replacement program for its bare steel and cast iron gas main		-	
4	Did the state participate in/respond to surveys or information requests from NAPSR or PHMSA? Yes = $1 \text{ No} = 0$	1	1	
SLR I				
	he Commission's Engineering Division participated in several survey or information requests from NASPR and PF Gathering Line Survey NAPSR Strategic Plan Indirect Cost Questions	IMSA. A couple	e are listed below:	
5	Sharing Best Practices with Other States - (General Program) Yes = .5 No = 0	.5	0.5	
	Notes: The Commission's Engineering Division has shared information with the Eastern Region with regards to the revisi Miss utility" law.	ons that have be	en made to the State	e's
6 SLR 1	Info Only = No Points	Info Only	Info Only	
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Total points scored for this section: 3

Total possible points for this section: 3

	8	Points(MAX)	Score
Dr	rug and Alcohol Testing (49 CFR Part 199)		
1 LR No [.] PSC	Has the state verified that operators have drug and alcohol testing programs? Yes = 1 No = 0 otes: conducts two types of D&A inspections. They are the EN10 ? Comprehensive Drug & Alcohol Inspection ar	1 nd the EN11 - Anti-	1 Drug and Alcoh
Thes	use Prevention. The EN10 is a comprehensive program and records inspection and the EN11 is a self-assessme se inspections are done with each operator on alternating years. As part of these inspections, staff reviews pos t with accordingly		
2	Is the state verifying that operators are conducting the drug and alcohol tests required by the operators prog (random, post-incident, etc.) Yes = .5 No = 0	gram .5	0.5
SLR No	tes:		
3	Is the state verifying that any positive tests are responded to in accordance with the operator's program?	.5	0.5
SLR No	Yes = .5 No = 0 tes:		
Qu	alification of Pipeline Personnel (49 CFR Part 192 Subpart N)		
4	Has the state verified that operators have a written qualification program? $Y_{es} = 1$ No = 0	1	1
throu	otes: Commission's Engineering Division conducts an inspection of an Operator's OQ program every three years. W ughout the year. Also, as part of other types of field inspections, the qualifications of individuals performing c inspection form		
5	Has the state reviewed operator qualification programs for compliance with PHMSA rules and protocols? $Y_{es} = .5 N_0 = 0$.5	0.5
SLR No			
6	Is the state verifying that persons who perform covered tasks for the operator are qualified in accordance we the operator's program? Yes = $.5 \text{ No} = 0$	vith .5	0.5
SLR No	nes.		
SLR No	Is the state verifying that persons who perform covered task for the operator are requalified at the intervals specified in the operator's program? Yes = .5 No = 0	.5	0.5

8 Has the state verified that all operators with transmission pipelines have either adopted an integrity management 1 program (IMP), or have properly determined that one is not required? Yes = 1 No = 0

SLR Notes:

The Commission's Engineering Division conducts an inspection of an Operator's Transmission Integrity Management Program every other year. On a yearly basis, the Engineering Division's Staff inspect the operators when they are making their IMP required inspections in the field, including the digs. The Commission is currently using the Gas Trans. IMP inspection form created by PHMSA. The results of the comprehensive inspections are then uploaded into the IMDB

9	Has the state verified that in determining whether a plan is required, the operator correctly calculated the potential impact radii and properly applied the definition of a high consequence area? Yes = $.5 \text{ No} = 0$.5	0.5
SLR No			
10	Has the state reviewed operator IMPs for compliance with Subpart O? (In accordance with State Inspection plan) Yes = $.5 \text{ No} = 0$.5	0.5
SLR No			
11	Is the state monitoring operator progress on the inspections, tests and remedial actions required by the operator's IMP, including that they are being done in the manner and schedule called for in its IMP? Yes = $.5 \text{ No} = 0$	5 .5	0.5
SLR No	tes:		
12	Is the state verifying that operators are periodically examining their transmission line routes for the appearance of new HCAs? Yes = $.5 \text{ No} = 0$.5	0.5
SLR No	tes:		
Pu	blic Awareness (49 CFR Section 192.616)		
13	Has the state verified that each operator has developed a continuing public awareness program? (due date was $6/20/06$ for most operators, $6/20/07$ for certain very small operators, $6/13/08$ for master meters) Yes = .5 No = 0	.5	0.5
plans its L comj	tes: Commission's Engineering Division has received a Public Awareness plan from the LDC's that are jurisdictional. I s due to a lack of an inspection form. This last winter an inspection form was developed. It is the intention of the I DC's Public Awareness Plans by August 31, 2009. The Master Meter operators will be inspected at their next routi plying with the applicable portions of RP1162. As part of the LDC's records inspection, the operator's records are o ing out notices to their customers as well as communicating with emergency response officials	Engineering ne inspectio	Division to inspect all of n to ensure that they are
14	Has the state reviewed the content of these programs for compliance with 192.616 (by participating in the Clearinghouse or by other means)? Yes = $.5 \text{ No} = 0$.5	0.5
SLR No			
15	Is the state verifying that operators are conducting the public awareness activities called for in its program? Yes = $.5 \text{ No} = 0$.5	0.5
SLR No	tes:		
16	Is the state verifying that operators have evaluated their Public Awareness programs for effectiveness as described in RP1162? Info Only = No Points	Info Only	Info Only
SLR No	tes:		
17	Part I: General Comments/Regional Observations Info Only = No Points	Info Only	Info Only
SLR No			

Total points scored for this section: 9 Total possible points for this section: 9

