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REF: Construction Inspection # JH22-010

☐ Certified Mail ☐ Regular Mail ☒ Email

Attention: Mr. Pedro Cherry

On March 28, 2022, a representative of the Georgia Public Service Commission Pipeline/Facilities Safety Office conducted an inspection of your gas system. The enclosed inspection report numbered JH22-010 is provided for your information and file.

In conjunction with this inspection report, Staff has recommended the following enforcement(s):

Enforcement Action:

- ☐ Notice of Probable Violation
- ☐ Notice of Probable Violation with Proposed Civil Penalty
- ☐ Notice of Amendment

Enforcement Letter:

- ☐ Warning Letter
- ☐ Letter of Concern

Enforcement Notification:

- ☐ Observed Issue
- ☒ No Violation

Please review and respond to this report in accordance with the attached Instructions for Responding to Enforcement Actions, Enforcement Letters, and Notifications Issued by the Georgia Public Service Commission. Please refer to Docket No. 37024 in your response.

Please let me know if there are any questions concerning this report at (404) 985-4271 or mthebert@psc.ga.gov. Thank you for your continuing contribution toward increased pipeline safety.

Sincerely,

Michelle Thebert

Michelle L. Thebert
Director, Office of Pipeline Safety/Facilities Protection

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REPORT OF NATURAL GAS SAFETY

INSPECTION NO: JH22-010

OPERATOR: AGL - SE GA

INVESTIGATOR: Jack Hewitt

INSPECTION DATE: March 28, 2022 REPORT MAILED DATE: January 25, 2023

Any questions concerning this report may be directed to the above address or by telephoning (404) 463-6526.

1. PURPOSE OF INSPECTION

To conduct an inspection of the Operators construction project for compliance with the minimum federal standards in 49CFR Part 192.

2. CONTINUING VIOLATIONS

Violation	Description	Inspection#	Date
192.605(a)	Each operator shall prepare and follow for each pipeline, a manual of written procedures for...	DL20-030	10/5/2020
192.615(a)(11)	Actions required to be taken by a controller during an emergency in accordance with § 192.631.	DL20-030	10/5/2020
192.615(a)(2)	Each operator shall establish written procedures to minimize the hazard resulting from a...	DL20-030	10/5/2020

3. CLEARED VIOLATIONS

4. NEW VIOLATIONS

5. OTHER RECOMMENDATIONS/COMMENTS

From March 28-31, 2022, Staff reported to the AGLC SE-GA Service Center to perform a construction inspection of the Operator's facilities.

During this inspection, the Operator was represented by:
John Skyasik - AGLC Project Coordinator
Jose Zarate (Construction Foreman) - SEC (AGL Contractor)

Commission Staff was represented by:
Jack Hewitt - Lead Inspector
Alan Towe – Pipeline Safety Inspector

At the time of this inspection, the AGLC-Brunswick was under one (1) previously existing probable violation. Staff did not review this probable violation at this time.

During this inspection, Staff reviewed the Atlanta Gas Light Company (Southern Company) construction project specifications for the 1 ¼ inch on E. Commons Dr. in Saint Simons Island, Ga. SEC construction crew was installing 80 feet of 1 1/4-inch plastic main pipeline and service lines measuring 47' and 52'. Staff reviewed the materials being used, excavation for the pipe, damage prevention procedures, along with an operator qualification field inspection on personnel performing construction tasks.

NO VIOLATIONS FOUND

During this inspection, Staff reviewed the Atlanta Gas Light Company (Southern Company) construction project specifications on E. Commons Dr. where crew was installing new plastic main and services. The services were forty seven feet and fifty two feet. Staff observed an AGLC contractor construction crew (SEC) and conducted an OQ Protocol 9 field Task. Staff verified that covered task(s) were being performed in accordance with appropriate Operator-approved procedures, that the procedures were available at the job site, and that the individuals performing the observed covered task(s) were adhering to the operator-approved procedures as written.

During this inspection, Staff conducted OQ Protocol 9 field verification inspections. In the field evaluations, Staff observed an AGLC contractor construction crew (SEC). Staff verified that covered task(s) were being performed in accordance with appropriate Operator-approved procedures, that the procedures were available at the job site, and that the individuals performing the observed covered task(s) were cognizant of abnormal operating conditions that could be encountered with their task. During the field evaluations, Staff observed Construction Foreman Jose Zarate- on 4B-Damage prevention and 44A Locating. Staff also check credentials on 4B Damage Prevention exp. 10/7/2023, 44A Locating exp. 6/7/2023, 59A AOC exp. 1/18/2024, 6A Evaluating exposed pipe exp. 8/29/2024, and 25B Installation of plastic pipe exp. 8/29/2024.

As a result of this inspection Staff noted no probable violations of the minimum federal safety standards.

Please review and respond to this report in accordance with the attached Instructions for Responding to Enforcement Letters Issued by the Georgia Public Service Commission.

BEFORE THE GEORGIA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION
STATE OF GEORGIA

IN THE MATTER OF:	)	
	)	
No Violation Report	)	**DOCKET NO. 37024**
Atlanta Gas Light Company-SE GA	)	
Inspection JH22-010 on March 28, 2022	)	
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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I, the undersigned, do hereby certify that I have caused to be served a copy of the foregoing, and a copy of same was served upon all parties and persons listed below via electronic mail as indicated by an asterisk I further certify that the *Atlanta Gas Light Company* was served a hard copy of the above-stated document by U.S. Mail, certified/return receipt requested.

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Respectfully Submitted this 26th day of January 2023:

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