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Docket No. 37024

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REF: Construction Inspection # JH22-012

☐ Certified Mail ☐ Regular Mail ☒ Email

Attention: Mr. Pedro Cherry

On May 9, 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 JH22-012 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: JH22-012

OPERATOR: AGL - NW GA

INVESTIGATOR: Jack Hewitt

INSPECTION DATE: May 9, 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...	AT21-005	1/5/2021

3. CLEARED VIOLATIONS

4. NEW VIOLATIONS

5. OTHER RECOMMENDATIONS/COMMENTS

From May 9, 2022 thru August 4, 2022 Staff reported to Rock City Lookout Mountain, Ga. to conduct an inspection of the Atlanta Gas Light Company (Southern Company Gas) construction project for compliance with the minimum federal standards in 49CFR Part 192 and Protocol 9 inspections for compliance with the minimum federal safety standards.

During this inspection the Operator was represented by:
Bobby Smith – AGL Quality Assurance Tech
Tulio Soto – AGL Construction Coordinator

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

At the time of this inspection, the AGLC NW GA Service Center had one (1) previously existing probable violations. Because the inspection was conducted in the field Staff did not review this violation.

NO VIOLATIONS FOUND

During this inspection Staff reviewed the AGLC new construction project specifications in Walker County. The purpose of this project was for replacing bare and ineffectively coated pipe in the Rock City area of Lookout Mountain, GA. Staff reviewed the materials being used, construction procedures for the pipe, fusing procedures, and qualification records along with a qualification field inspection on personnel performing construction tasks.

The Pipeline construction consisted of approximately 5350' of 2" and 4" PE Pipe on Lula Lake Rd., Elfin Rd., Red Riding Hood Tr., near Rock City, GA on Lookout Mountain. Construction was installed by open ditch excavation and some boring.

During this inspection Staff observed an AGLC contractor construction crew (SEC) perform OQ Protocol 9 tasks. Staff verified that the Operators procedures were available on site. Staff performed an OQ Protocol 9 inspection on Heriberto Arias / Operator SEC (AGL Contractor) / Mr. Arias performed "Installation of Plastic Pipe Boring" his qualification were verified as current, Mr. Arias also Performed Inspection of Plastic Pipe, his qualifications for this task was also verified as being current.
David Mendoza / SEC Contractor Performed Task Identification and response to "Generic Abnormal Operating Conditions" this task was performed correctly, and his qualification verified as current.

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-NW GA	)	
Inspection JH22-012 on May 9, 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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