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Docket No. 37049

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ATTN: Mr. Gary Sanders

On January 12, 2023 a representative of the Georgia Public Service Commission Pipeline/Facilities Safety Office conducted an informal conference as requested by the gas operator. The enclosed inspection report numbered AT23-004 is provided for your information and file.

Please submit a written response outlining the proposed mitigation measures to this inspection as specified in the attached report by U.S. Mail or e-mailing me at michellet@psc.state.ga.us. Please refer to Docket No. 37049 in your response.

Michelle Thebert

Thank you for your continuing contribution toward increased pipeline safety.

Sincerely,

Michelle Thebert

Director, Office of Pipeline/Facilities Safety

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REPORT OF NATURAL GAS SAFETY

INSPECTION NO:

AT23-004

OPERATOR:

City of Eatonton Gas System

INVESTIGATOR:

Alan Towe

INSPECTION DATE:

January 12, 2023

REPORT MAILED DATE: April 26, 2023

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

1. PURPOSE OF INSPECTION

To perform an Informal Conference with the City of Eatonton and the Facilities Protection Director concerning their civil penalty issued from Inspection Report AT21-025.

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	AT21-025	9/20/2021
192.181(b)	Each regulator station controlling the flow or pressure of gas in a distribution system must have	AT21-025	9/20/2021
192.181(a)	Each high-pressure distribution system must have valves spaced so as to reduce the time to	AT21-025	9/20/2021

3. CLEARED VIOLATIONS

4. NEW VIOLATIONS

5. OTHER RECOMMENDATIONS/COMMENTS

On January 12, 2023, Staff conducted an informal conference with the City of Eatonton as requested in regard to Inspection Number AT21-025.

During this inspection, the Operator was represented by: Gary Sanders – Eatonton City Manager Charlie Bale – Eatonton Gas Superintendent Bill Defoor – MGAG/SRCS Consultant Tim Franklin – MGAG/SRCS Consultant Wade Sharpe – MGAG/SRCS Consultant Lori Lambert – MGAG/SRCS Consultant

Commission Staff was represented virtually by:
Michelle Thebert – Facilities Protection Director
Jeff Baggett – Facilities Protection Supervisor
Alan Towe – Pipeline Safety Inspector/ Lead Inspector
Daphne Jones – Pipeline Safety Inspector

During this meeting, the Operator discussed possible mitigative measures for the proposed civil penalties in Inspection Number AT21-025. Staff advised that it would consider any measures which went beyond the minimum requirements that the Operator was already required to perform.

Staff directed the Operator to submit their proposals for mitigation of the proposed civil penalties in writing no later than 14 days following this meeting. The Operator was advised that if their proposals were found to be acceptable, they would be provided with a constant agreement to review which would address the mitigation of the proposed civil penalty and the measures required to address the probable violations.

BEFORE THE GEORGIA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION STATE OF GEORGIA

IN THE MATTER OF:)
Informal Conference City of Eatonton Gas System Inspection AT23-004 on January 12, 2023)) DOCKET NO. 37049))

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 *City of Eatonton Gas System* was served a hard copy of the above-stated document by U.S. Mail, certified/return receipt requested.

*Sallie Tanner, Executive Secretary Georgia Public Service Commission 244 Washington Street, SW Atlanta, GA 30334 *Gary M Sanders, City Administrator City of Eatonton Gas System P.O. Box 3820 Eatonton, GA 31024 gsanders@eatontonga.us

*Michelle Thebert, Facilities Protection Unit Director Georgia Public Service Commission 244 Washington Street, SW Atlanta, GA 30334

Respectfully Submitted this ______ day of April 2023:

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