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Docket No. 37067

City of Madison Natural Gas System
P. O. Box 32
Madison, GA 30650

REF: DIMP (Annual Review) Inspection # JJ23-010

☐ Certified Mail ☐ Regular Mail ☒ Email

Attention: Mr. John Klimm

On February 7, 2023, a representative of the Georgia Public Service Commission Pipeline/Facilities Safety Office conducted an inspection of your gas system. The enclosed inspection report numbered JJ23-010 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. 37067 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: JJ23-010

OPERATOR: City of Madison Natural Gas System

INVESTIGATOR: Joe Jones

INSPECTION DATE: February 7, 2023 REPORT MAILED DATE: July 10, 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 annual review of the Operators Distribution Integrity Management Program

2. CONTINUING VIOLATIONS

Violation	Description	Inspection#	Date
192.739	Pressure limiting and regulating stations: Inspection and testing.	JS18-006	2/5/2018
192.465(d)	Each operator shall take prompt remedial action to correct any deficiencies indicated by the...	JS18-006	2/5/2018
192.619(a)	No person may operate a segment of steel or plastic pipeline at a pressure that exceeds a maximum...	JS18-006	2/5/2018
192.467(d)	Inspection and electrical tests must be made to assure that electrical isolation is adequate.	JS18-006	2/5/2018
192.473(a)	Each operator whose pipeline system is subjected to stray currents shall have in effect a...	JS18-006	2/5/2018
192.743(a)	Pressure relief devices at pressure limiting stations and pressure regulating stations must have...	JS18-006	2/5/2018
192.553(c)	Written plan. Each operator who uprates a segment of pipeline shall establish a written procedure...	JS18-006	2/5/2018
192.557(b)(1)	Before increasing operating pressure above the previously established maximum allowable operating...	JS18-006	2/5/2018
192.616	Public education.	AT19-019	5/15/2019
Consent Agreement Pending	Operator is negotiating Consent Agreement with the FPU Director	JS20-043	12/3/2020

3. CLEARED VIOLATIONS

4. NEW VIOLATIONS

5. OTHER RECOMMENDATIONS/COMMENTS

February 8, 2023, Staff reported to the City of Madison Gas Department to perform an Annual Review of their Distribution Integrity Management Program (DIMP) as required under the PHMSA State Programs Guidelines.

During this review the Operator was represented by:
Rusty Johnson – Gas Superintendent
Wade Sharpe – MGAG/SRCS (Consultant)

Commission Staff was represented by:
Joseph Jones – Lead Inspector
Daphne Jones – Pipeline Safety Inspector
Daniel Clemmons – Pipeline Safety Inspector

At the time of this inspection the City of Madison Gas System was under ten (10) previously existing probable violation. This violation will be addressed under Follow-Up Inspection Number JS23-007

During this inspection, Staff reviewed the information provided by the Operator and found that their DIMP Plan was last reviewed on February 8, 2023. Staff then discussed the following items with Madison representatives:

1. Top 10 Identified Risk/Threats
2. 2012 - 2022 PHMSA 7100 – Part C Leak Data
3. 2022 PHMSA 7100 – Part D Excavation Damage Data
4. 2022 Business District leak survey numbers.
5. Madison moved to new version of SHRIMP 3 in Year 2022.
6. Madison base line for 10 years is 1.57 per 1000 locate tickets.
7. Grade Leaks; Madison repairs all leaks when found in their system.
8. Cast Iron; Per Madison, no cast iron in their system.
9. Master Meters; Madison has no master meters
10. Blasting Area; Madison has not had any blasting areas; No leaks due to blasting.
11. Madison is a member of GPERI and Georgia 811 Program.
12. Madison has had no corrosion in the past 10 years on main.
13. Madison Dimp plan addresses cross bore, directional drilling and auger. Madison has been tracking cross bores on the baseline spread sheet since 2018 and has none.

This concludes Staff's Annual Review of Madison's Distribution Integrity Management Program (DIMP). Please contact the Director of Pipeline Safety if you have any questions or concerns at 404-985-4271 or michellet@psc.state.ga.us.

BEFORE THE GEORGIA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION
STATE OF GEORGIA

IN THE MATTER OF:	)	
	)	
No Violation Report,	)	**DOCKET NO. 37067**
City of Madison Natural Gas System	)	
Inspection JJ23-010 on February 7, 2023	)	
	)	

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

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*John Klimm, City Manager
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Respectfully Submitted this 13th day of July 2023:

Cathy Nesbitt

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