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Docket No. 37073

City of Nashville Gas System
P. O. Box 495
Nashville, GA 31639

REF: Operator Qualification Inspection # JJ23-029

☐ Certified Mail ☐ Regular Mail ☒ Email

Attention: Mr. Peter Schultz

On July 31, 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 JJ23-029 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. 37073 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: JJ23-029

OPERATOR: City of Nashville Gas System

INVESTIGATOR: Joe Jones

INSPECTION DATE: July 31, 2023 REPORT MAILED DATE: May 30, 2024

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 Operator's operator qualification (OQ) program for compliance with the minimum federal standards in 49CFR §192, SubPart N.

2. CONTINUING VIOLATIONS

3. CLEARED VIOLATIONS

4. NEW VIOLATIONS

5. OTHER RECOMMENDATIONS/COMMENTS

July 31, 2023 through August 2, 2023, Staff reported to City of Nashville to conduct an inspection of the Operator's operator qualification (OQ) program for compliance with the minimum federal standards in 49CFR §192, SubPart N.

During this inspection the Operator was represented by:
Micheal Spells – Gas Superintendent
Thomas Sapp – Gas Tech
Eddy Harp – Harp & Associates (Consultant)

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

At the time of this inspection the City of Nashville was under no previously existing probable violation(s).

NO VIOLATIONS FOUND

During this inspection Staff conducted a review of the Operator's Qualifications to ensure that the Operator had and followed a written qualification program, that covered tasks were being performed in accordance with appropriate operator-approved procedures, that the procedures were present at the job site, and that the individuals performing the observed covered task(s) were qualified and adhering to the operator-approved procedures as written.

During the field evaluations, Staff observed Micheal Spells, Gas Superintendent Task #0301 Manually Opening and Closing Valves: qualification date, 8/2/2021, thru 8/1/2024. Staff observed also observed Thomas Sapp perform Task #0681 Joining of Plastic 0681(Stab Fittings): qualification date, 3/6/20203 through 3/5/2024. Staff also observed Mr. Sapp perform Task #1291 Locate Underground Pipelines: qualification date, 2/6/2023 through 2/5/2024. Staff observed Operator's personnel follow the task procedure and applicable manufacturer-written procedure and identify the AOC's.

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. 37073**
City of Nashville Gas System	)	
Inspection JJ23-029 on July 31, 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 Nashville Gas System* 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 _____ day of June 2024:

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