

7:30-8:30 AM

Breakfast and Networking

8:30-8:35 AM

Introductions - Presidents Hall 1-3

Robert Horensky, Pennsylvania Public Utility Commission (PAPUC)
Safety Manager

8:35-8:45 AM

Opening Remarks

Stephen M. DeFrank, Chairman, PAPUC

8:45-9:15 AM

BI&E Safety Program Updates

Robert Horensky

9:15-10:00 AM

PA ONE CALL Damage Prevention Update

William Kiger, President and CEO - POCS, Inc.

10:00-10:15 AM

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10:15-10:30 AM

PAPUC Damage Prevention Section - Data and Updates

Sara Locke and **Braxton Cooper**, PAPUC Safety Division

10:30-11:15 AM

Utilizing Effective Enforcement for Damage Prevention

David Appelbaum, State Programs - U.S. Department of
Transportation - Pipeline and Hazardous Material Safety
Administration

11:15 AM-12:00 PM

The Importance of Cyber & Physical Security Information Sharing

Michael Holko

Director, PAPUC Office of Cybersecurity Compliance and Oversight

Chris Allwein

Cyber Intelligence Manager - Pennsylvania State Police, Bureau of Criminal Investigation

Ashley Bleacher

Intelligence Analyst Supervisor, Pennsylvania State Police, Bureau of Criminal Investigation

12:00-1:15 PM

LUNCH

1:15-4:15 PM

Concurrent Breakout Sessions A, B, and C:

Breakout Session A – Pipeline: Presidents Hall 1-3

1:15-1:25 PM

Pipeline Session Opening Remarks

Kathryn L. Zerfuss, PAPUC Commissioner

1:25-2:00 PM

What Makes a Good O&M Procedure

Dale Golemon, Executive Consultant - RCP, Inc.

2:00-2:15 PM

Gathering Line Updates & FAQs

Mike Chitek and **Matt Matse**, PAPUC Safety Division

2:15-2:30 PM

What is Wrong with this Picture?

Martin Salamonski and **Israel Gray**, PAPUC Safety Division

2:30-2:45 PM

Data Review

Bob Biggard, **Sunil Patel**, and **Jesse Burkett**, PAPUC Safety Division

2:45-3:00 PM

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Breakout Session A Cont'd – Pipeline

3:00-3:45 PM

Geohazard Guidelines & Locating Abandoned/Orphan Wells
Andy Klinger, Environmental Program Manager, Pennsylvania Department of Environmental Protection

Ann M. Mathew, P.E., Environmental Group Manager, Pennsylvania Department of Environmental Protection

3:45-4:15 PM

Non-Compliance Letters & Investigative Findings and Enforcement
Terri Cooper Smith and **Chris Whiteash**, PAPUC Safety Division

Breakout Session B – Electricity: Presidents Hall 4

1:15-2:00 PM

Challenges in Forecasting Disruptive Weather
Dr. Jon Nese, Teaching - Professor and Associate Head for Undergraduate Programs Department of Meteorology and Atmospheric Science, Penn State

2:00-3:00 PM

When What You're Wearing Is Your Last Line of Defense: The Proper Selection, Use, and Care of Arc - Rated Clothing
Derek Sang, Senior Technical Training Manager, QSSP, CSHEP (IASHEP) Bulwark Protection & Workrite Fire Service

3:00-3:15 PM

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3:15-3:45 PM

PECO Composite (Fiberglass) Pole Update
Michael Keller, Manager Distribution Standards, PECO Energy and Exelon Corporation

3:45-4:15 PM

Electric Reliability in PA Overview
Dan Searfoorce, PAPUC Manager Water, Reliability and Emergency Preparedness Division, Bureau of Technical Utility Services

Breakout Session C – Cybersecurity: Conf Rm 104

1:15-2:30 PM

Gas & Pipeline Cybersecurity Threat Briefing

Dennis Ryan, Department of Homeland Security, Office of Intelligence and Analysis

2:30-2:45 PM

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2:45-3:30 PM

Critical Infrastructure Assessments

Dave Wood, Cybersecurity and Infrastructure Security Agency (CISA), Protective Security Advisor, Central Pennsylvania

3:30-4:15 PM

CISA Free Cybersecurity Evaluation Tool

Derek Mueller, CISA Cybersecurity Advisor

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Update on the Latest Natural Gas Leak Detection Technology

Paul Wehnert, Executive VP - Heath Consultants

9:30-10:00 AM

Black Sky Preparedness & the Operation Blue Flame Exercise Series

Derek Ruhl, PAPUC Lead Emergency Agency Representative

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Pipeline Safety Program Review

Mary Friend, Director, Public Service Commission of West Virginia

11:15-11:40 AM

Online Resources & PAPUC Website Review

Melissa McFeaters and **Don Trumpie**, PAPUC Safety Division

11:40-11:50 AM

Seminar Review & Wrap-Up

Rob Horensky

11:50 AM-12:00 PM

Closing Remarks

Kimberly M. Barrow, PAPUC, Vice Chair

12:00 PM

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