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BUREAU OF
INVESTIGATION
&
ENFORCEMENT

August 6, 2024

Via Electronic Filing

Rosemary Chiavetta, Secretary
Pennsylvania Public Utility Commission
Commonwealth Keystone Building
400 North Street
Harrisburg, PA 17120

Re: Pennsylvania Public Utility Commission,
Bureau of Investigation and Enforcement v.
Columbia Gas of Pennsylvania, Inc.
Docket No. C-2024-
I&E Formal Complaint (Damage Prevention)

Dear Secretary Chiavetta:

Enclosed for electronic filing please find the Formal Complaint of the Bureau of Investigation and Enforcement of the Pennsylvania Public Utility Commission in the above-referenced matter.

Copies are being served on the parties of record in accordance with the attached Certificate of Service.

Should you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'G. Rosul', written over a light blue horizontal line.

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GR/ac
Enclosures

cc: Michael L. Swindler, Deputy Chief Prosecutor, I&E-Enforcement (*via email*)
As per Certificate of Service

NOTICE

A. You must file an Answer within twenty (20) days of the date of service of this Complaint. The date of service is the date as indicated at the top of the Secretarial Letter. *See* 52 Pa. Code § 1.56(a). The Answer must raise all factual and legal arguments that you wish to claim in your defense, include the docket number of this Complaint, and be verified. Pursuant to *Suspension of Regulatory and Statutory Deadlines; Modification to Filing and Service Requirements*, Docket No. M-2020-3019262 (Emergency Order ratified on March 20, 2020), you must eFile your Answer using the Commission's website at www.puc.pa.gov. The link to eFiling is located under the Filing & Resources tab on the homepage.

Additionally, please electronically serve a copy on:

Grant Rosul, Prosecutor
Pennsylvania Public Utility Commission
Bureau of Investigation and Enforcement
grosul@pa.gov

B. If you fail to answer this Complaint within twenty (20) days, the Bureau of Investigation and Enforcement will request that the Commission issue an Order imposing the administrative penalty and other requested relief.

C. You may elect not to contest this Complaint by paying the administrative penalty within twenty (20) days and performing the corrective actions set forth in the requested relief. A certified check, cashier's check or money order should be payable to the "Commonwealth of Pennsylvania" and mailed to:

Rosemary Chiavetta, Secretary
Pennsylvania Public Utility Commission
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Your payment is an admission that you committed the alleged violations and an agreement to cease and desist from committing further violations. Upon receipt of your payment, the Complaint proceeding shall be closed.

D. If you file an Answer, which either admits or fails to deny the allegations of the Complaint, the Bureau of Investigation and Enforcement will request the Commission to issue an Order imposing the administrative penalty and granting the requested relief as set forth in the Complaint.

E. If you file an Answer which contests the Complaint, the matter will proceed before the assigned presiding Administrative Law Judge for hearing and decision. The Judge is not bound by the penalty set forth in the Complaint, and may impose additional and/or alternative penalties as appropriate.

F. If you are a corporation, you must be represented by legal counsel. 52 Pa. Code § 1.21.

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**BEFORE THE
PENNSYLVANIA PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION**

Pennsylvania Public Utility Commission,	:	
Bureau of Investigation and Enforcement,	:	
Complainant	:	
	:	
v.	:	Docket No. C-2024-
	:	
Columbia Gas of Pennsylvania, Inc.,	:	
Respondent	:	

FORMAL COMPLAINT

NOW COMES the Bureau of Investigation and Enforcement (“I&E”) of the Pennsylvania Public Utility Commission, by its prosecuting attorneys, pursuant to Section 182 of the Underground Utility Line Protection Law (“UULPL” or “PA One Call Law”), Act of October 30, 2017, P.L. 806, No. 50, 73 P.S. § 182.8(c)(2), and files this Formal Complaint (“Complaint”) against Columbia Gas of Pennsylvania, Inc. (“Columbia Gas” or “Respondent”) alleging violations of the PA One Call Law in connection with a strike on an unmarked three-quarter inch copper water line belonging to the Municipal Authority of Westmoreland County on 3rd Street, between Sewickley Avenue and Highland Avenue, Sewickley Township, Westmoreland County, Pennsylvania, by Northern Pipeline Construction while working on behalf of Columbia Gas. In support of its Complaint, I&E respectfully avers as follows:

I. COMMISSION JURISDICTION AND AUTHORITY

1. The Pennsylvania Public Utility Commission (“Commission” or “PUC”), with a primary address of Commonwealth Keystone Building, 400 North Street, Harrisburg, PA 17120, is a duly constituted agency of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania empowered to regulate, *inter alia*, project owners, within the Commonwealth pursuant to the PA One Call Law, Act of October 30, 2017, P.L. 806, No. 50, 73 P.S. §§ 176 *et seq.*

2. Complainant is the Commission’s Bureau of Investigation and Enforcement, which is the bureau established to take enforcement action against public utilities and other entities subject to the Commission’s jurisdiction pursuant to 66 Pa.C.S. § 308.2(a)(11). *See also Implementation of Act 129 of 2008; Organization of Bureaus and Offices*, Docket No. M-2008-2071852 (August 11, 2011) (delegating authority to initiate proceedings that are prosecutory in nature to I&E).

3. Complainant’s prosecuting attorneys are as follows:

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4. Respondent is Columbia Gas of Pennsylvania, with a main mailing address of 121 Champion Way, Suite 100, Canonsburg, PA 15317.

5. Columbia Gas is a “project owner,” as that term is defined in Section 176 of the PA One Call Law, 73 P.S. § 176.¹

6. Section 181.1 of the PA One Call Law, 73 P.S. § 181.1, imposes duties on project owners.

7. Specifically, Section 181.1(1) of the PA One Call Law, 73 P.S. § 181.1(1), requires project owners to “utilize sufficient quality levels of subsurface utility engineering or other similar techniques whenever practicable to properly determine the existence and positions of underground facilities when designing known complex projects having an estimated cost of four hundred thousand dollars (\$400,000) or more.” 73 P.S. § 181.1(1).

8. Section 184 of the PA One Call Law, 73 P.S. § 184, requires that stakeholders “shall use their best efforts to comply with the Common Ground Alliance best practices.” 73 P.S. § 184.

9. “Complex Project” is defined as “an excavation that involves more work than properly can be described in a single locate request or any project designated as such by the excavator or facility owner as a consequence of its complexity or its potential to cause significant disruption to lines or facilities and the public, including excavations that require scheduling locates over an extended time frame.” 73 P.S. § 176.

¹ “Project owner” is defined as “any person who or which engages an excavator for construction or any other project which requires excavation or demolition work.” 73 P.S. § 176.

10. “Subsurface Utility Engineering,” or “SUE,” is defined as those techniques set forth in the American Society of Civil Engineers (ASCE) most recently published standard CI/ASCE 38-02, or its successor document as determined by the One Call System. 73 P.S. § 176.

11. The American Society of Civil Engineers defines Subsurface Utility Engineering as “[a] branch of engineering practice that involves managing certain risks associated with utility mapping at appropriate quality levels, utility coordination, utility relocation design and coordination, utility condition assessment, communication of utility data to concerned parties, utility relocation cost estimates, implementation of utility accommodation policies, and utility design.” *American Society of Civil Engineers*, “Standard Guideline for the Collection and Depiction of Subsurface Utility Data,” ASCE-38-02.

12. Utility Quality Level A is defined as “[p]recise horizontal and vertical location of utilities obtained by the actual exposure (or verification of previously exposed and surveyed utilities) and subsequent measurement of subsurface utilities, usually at a specific point. Minimally intrusive excavation equipment is typically used to minimize the potential for utility damage. A precise horizontal and vertical location, as well as other utility attributes, is shown on plan documents. Accuracy is typically set to 15-mm vertical and to applicable horizontal survey and mapping accuracy as defined or expected by the project owner.” *American Society of Civil Engineers*, “Standard Guideline for the Collection and Depiction of Subsurface Utility Data,” ASCE-38-02.

13. Utility Quality Level B is defined as the “[i]nformation obtained through the application of appropriate surface geophysical methods to determine the existence and approximate horizontal position of subsurface utilities. Quality level B data should be reproducible by surface geophysics at any point of their depiction. This information is surveyed to applicable tolerances defined by the project and reduced onto plan documents.” *American Society of Civil Engineers*, “Standard Guideline for the Collection and Depiction of Subsurface Utility Data,” ASCE-38-02.

14. Utility Quality Level C is defined as the “[i]nformation obtained by surveying and plotting visible above-ground utility features and by using professional judgment in correlating this information to quality level D information.” *American Society of Civil Engineers*, “Standard Guideline for the Collection and Depiction of Subsurface Utility Data,” ASCE-38-02.

15. Utility Quality Level D is defined as the “[i]nformation derived from existing records or oral recollections.” *American Society of Civil Engineers*, “Standard Guideline for the Collection and Depiction of Subsurface Utility Data,” ASCE-38-02.

16. Respondent, as a project owner, is subject to the authority of this Commission pursuant to Section 182.10 of the PA One Call Law, 73 P.S. § 182.10, which requires project owners to comply with the PA One Call Law. 73 P.S. § 182.10.

17. Section 182.8(c)-(d) and Section 182.10 of the PA One Call Law, 73 P.S. §§ 182.8(c)-(d) and 182.10, authorize the Commission to, *inter alia*, hear and determine complaints against project owners for violations of the PA One Call Law and to enforce the provisions of the PA One Call Law. 73 P.S. §§ 182.8(c)-(d) and 182.10.

18. Section 182.8(c)(2) of the PA One Call Law, 73 P.S. § 182.8(c)(2), authorizes the Commission’s prosecutorial staff to bring a formal complaint against entities subject to the PA One Call Law. 73 P.S. § 182.8(c)(2).

19. Section 182.10 of the PA One Call Law, 73 P.S. § 182.10(b)(1)(i)-(ii), authorizes the Commission to impose administrative penalties on any person or corporation, subject to the PA One Call Law, who violates any provisions of the PA One Call Law or any regulation or order issued thereunder governing underground utility lines, of up to \$2,500 per violation or if the violation results in injury, death, or property damage of \$25,000 or more an administrative penalty not to exceed \$50,000. 73 P.S. § 182.10(b)(1)(i)-(ii).

20. Pursuant to the provisions of the applicable Commonwealth statutes and regulations, the Commission has jurisdiction over the subject matter of this Complaint and the actions of Respondent related thereto.

II. FACTUAL BACKGROUND

21. On or about May 3, 2022, Northern Pipeline Construction (“NPL”) was excavating with a backhoe to install a new 4-inch gas main on behalf of Columbia Gas on 3rd Street between Sewickley Avenue and Highland Avenue in Sewickley Township, Westmoreland County, Pennsylvania, when it struck a mismarked three-quarter inch copper water line belonging to the Municipal Authority of Westmoreland County (“MAWC”). I&E Exhibit 1.

22. NPL was excavating pursuant to a complex project ticket submitted to the Pennsylvania One Call System (“POCS”) on February 22, 2022. I&E Exhibit 2.

23. NPL was also excavating pursuant to a routine excavation ticket submitted to POCS on April 13, 2022. I&E Exhibit 3.

24. At all relevant times, Columbia Gas was the project owner, as that term is defined in the PA One Call Law for this project.

25. The design drawings for this project were completed on May 2, 2022.

26. On the second page of the design drawings, under the heading “General Notes,” Columbia Gas provides that “[p]roperty lines, structures, street lines, etc., were compiled using NiSource GIS and are to be considered approximate and not to scale.”

27. The “General Notes” section also provides that “[e]xisting utilities, where shown, have been compiled from above ground evidence only and are to be considered approximate. NiSource does not guarantee the location of the underground utilities shown or that all existing utilities and/or subsurface structures are shown.”

28. Subsequent to striking MAWC’s water line, NPL, MAWC, and Columbia Gas submitted Alleged Violation Reports² (“AVRs”) to POCS, reporting the incident to the Commission, as required by the PA One Call Law.

29. The AVR of Columbia Gas stated that this project was a complex project with an estimated cost of \$400,000 or more and that the project utilized Quality Level C SUE. I&E Exhibit 4.

30. Columbia Gas identified the length of the project as 5,512 feet. Id.

² The purpose of an AVR is to report to the Commission through POCS an alleged violation of the PA One Call Law. 73 P.S. §§ 176 and 181.1(7).

31. On November 22, 2023, a copy of the report prepared by the Damage Prevention Investigator (“DPI”) from the Commission’s Bureau of Investigation and Enforcement, Damage Prevention Section, was mailed to Columbia Gas informing Respondent that it was in violation of the PA One Call Law by failing to utilize sufficient subsurface utility engineering, releasing a project to bid or construction before the final design was completed, failing to show upon its drawing the position and type of each facility owner's line along with the name of the facility owner, failing to provide copies of the project plans to each facility owner who requested them, and failing to request the line and facility information from the One Call System not less than ten nor more than 90 business days before the final design is to be completed

32. In the letter from the DPI, Columbia Gas was informed that they could either accept the findings and pay the assessed administrative penalty or reject the DPI report and present its case before the Damage Prevention Committee (“DPC”) by informing the DPI in writing of its rejection within thirty days of the date of the letter.

33. On December 13, 2023, Columbia Gas informed the DPI by e-mail that it would accept one of the findings on condition of paying a reduced penalty and would reject the other alleged violations. Columbia Gas provided the DPI with an explanation for its rejection and requested to present its case to the Damage Prevention Committee (“DPC”).

34. On December 13, 2023, the DPI responded that it would withdraw three of the alleged violations, leaving only the violations for failing to utilize sufficient

subsurface utility engineering and for failing to show upon its drawing the position and type of each facility owner's line along with the name of the facility owner.

35. On December 19, 2023, Columbia Gas rejected the findings of the DPI report, as amended by the DPI's December 13, 2023, email.

36. On February 14, 2024, Columbia Gas was informed by letter that their case would be heard at the March 12, 2024, DPC meeting, and that Columbia Gas would have the opportunity to present its position.

37. Columbia Gas presented its case at the March 12, 2024, meeting, and its case was discussed and voted upon by the DPC.

38. On March 13, 2024, Columbia Gas was informed by letter of the DPC's informal determination adopting the DPI report, as originally prepared and without withdrawing any of the alleged violations, and further adopting its recommended administrative penalties with the exception of reducing the administrative penalty for using insufficient SUE to \$1,000.

39. In this letter, Columbia Gas was advised that if they rejected the DPC's informal determination, the matter could be referred to the Commission's Bureau of Investigation and Enforcement for the purpose of filing a formal complaint.

40. By e-mail dated March 14, 2024, Columbia Gas rejected the DPC's informal determination.

III. VIOLATIONS

41. Paragraphs 1-40 are incorporated herein as if stated in their entirety.

Count 1

42. Respondent failed to utilize sufficient quality levels of subsurface utility engineering to determine the existence and positions of underground facilities.

Respondent utilized only Quality Level C SUE when designing its complex project when a higher Quality Level was warranted.

If proven, this is a violation of Section 181.1(1) of the PA One Call Law, 73 P.S. § 181.1(1). As a project owner, Respondent was required to “utilize sufficient quality levels of subsurface utility engineering or other similar techniques whenever practicable to properly determine the existence and positions of underground facilities when designing known complex projects having an estimated cost of four hundred thousand dollars (\$400,000) or more.”

Here, Respondent stated in its AVR that it filed with the Commission that the project was a complex project with an estimated cost of \$400,000 or more. Respondent also stated in its AVR that it utilized Quality Level C SUE. This Quality Level of SUE consists of information “obtained by surveying and plotting visible above-ground utility features and by using professional judgment in correlating this information to quality level D information,” with Quality Level D information being information obtained from existing records.

While the statute states that a “sufficient” level of SUE must be used on such projects, the PA One Call User Guide, citing the Common Ground Alliance Best Practices Manual and the ASCE 38-02 Utility Engineering Standard, instructs that “Quality Level B or Quality Level A should be applied for more precise horizontal and

vertical data necessary for conflict identification during the design phases,” with only projects under \$400,000 in estimated cost permitted to utilize Quality Level D or Quality Level C SUE.³

Further, the nature of the project, as a “complex project” requiring excavation over multiple locations and therefore multiple PA One Call excavation tickets, should have alerted Columbia Gas that a higher level of SUE should have been used for this project. Had Quality Level B SUE been utilized, the existence and approximate horizontal position of the MAWC water line could have been discovered by geophysical methods and the strike on said water line could have been avoided. Instead, Columbia Gas relied on above-ground survey and existing records and stated to NPL, or any other reader of the design drawings for this project, that the drawing was “compiled from above ground evidence only,” was to be considered “approximate,” “not to scale,” and that the location or existence of any utility lines cannot be guaranteed.

The Bureau of Investigation and Enforcement’s proposed administrative penalty for this violation is \$2,500.

Count 2

43. Respondent failed to use best efforts to comply with the Common Ground Alliance Best Practices.

If proven, this is a violation of Section 184 of the PA One Call Law, 73 P.S. § 184. As a project owner, Respondent is required to use its best efforts to adhere to the Common Ground Alliance Best Practices. Specifically, Best Practice 2-14 instructs that

³ PA One Call Users Guide, p. 30, Apr. 24, 2023.

“SUE is applied during the design phase to locate, identify, and characterize all existing utility infrastructure (and other relevant nonutility features) found within a given project/area.” Further, “the project owner dictates the required quality levels as well as the amount of effort expended by the SUE provider on each.” CGA Best Practices Manual 18.0, § 2-14 (“CGA Manual”).

Here, Respondent did not properly apply SUE to its project. While it did provide drawings to its excavator, NPL, it left NPL with the burden to uncover underground facilities during the construction phase of the project and warned NPL that its drawings were “compiled from above ground evidence only” and were “approximate.” I&E submits that this practice is not indicative of putting forth a best effort to comply with the CGA Manual.

The Bureau of Investigation and Enforcement’s proposed administrative penalty for this violation is \$2,500.

WHEREFORE, for all the foregoing reasons, the Pennsylvania Public Utility Commission’s Bureau of Investigation and Enforcement respectfully requests that the Commission:

- (1) Find Columbia Gas of Pennsylvania, Inc. to be in violation of the PA One Call Law at 73 P.S. §§ 181.1(1) and 184.
- (2) Impose a cumulative administrative penalty upon Columbia Gas of Pennsylvania, Inc. in the amount of \$5,000; and
- (3) Incorporate, by reference, the non-monetary remedial measures to be undertaken by Columbia Gas of Pennsylvania, Inc., agreed upon as settlement terms in BIE v. Columbia Gas of Pennsylvania, Inc., C-2023-3040925.

- (4) Order such other remedies as the Commission may deem appropriate.

Respectfully submitted,



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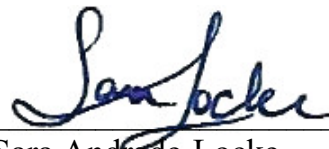
**BEFORE THE
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VERIFICATION

I, Sara Andrade-Locke, Damage Prevention Supervisor, Damage Prevention Section, Bureau of Investigation and Enforcement, hereby state that the facts above set forth are true and correct to the best of my knowledge, information, and belief and that I expect that the Bureau of Investigation and Enforcement will be able to prove the same at any hearing held in this matter. I understand that the statements herein are made subject to the penalties of 18 Pa.C.S. § 4904 relating to unsworn falsification to authorities.

Date: August 6, 2024



Sara Andrade-Locke
Damage Prevention Supervisor
Damage Prevention Section
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Exhibit 1

Alleged Violation Report

PA Act 287, as amended 73 P. S. § 176 et. seq.
Powered by Pennsylvania One Call System, Inc.

AVR Number AVR2022MAY090035

First Name JENNIFER **Last Name** JACOBS

Company Name NORTHERN PIPELINE CONSTRUCTION

Address 199 S JOHNSON RD

City HOUSTON

State PA

Zip Code 15342

Email* jjacobs@gonpl.com

Phone 724-678-7034

Ext

Role

Submitter Role(s)* (?)

- | | |
|---|---|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Facility Owner | <input type="checkbox"/> Designer |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Excavator | <input type="checkbox"/> Project Owner |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Locator | <input type="checkbox"/> Enforcement Agency |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Other | |

Are you representing a company other than your own? Yes No

Alleged Violation Information

PUC Case Number (if known)

Related AVR Number (?)

Type of Alleged Violation (?) Facility Owner Issue

Reason Marked incorrectly §2(5)

When did the alleged violation occur?* 05/03/2022
(?) 10:30:00 AM

Was the One Call System notified?* Yes No

Original Serial Number

Please enter the 11 digit One Call Serial Number under which work was taking place, which will populate the work site information of this alleged violation.

20221031304

Related Damage Serial Number, if applicable

Other Related Serial Numbers (?)

Was the excavation exempt from One Call notification? Yes No Unknown

Event Information



County* (?) WESTMORELAND

Municipality* (?) SEWICKLEY TWP

Ward 0

Work Site* 3RD ST

Nearest Intersection HIGHLAND AVE

Second Intersection SEWICKLEY AVE

Geolocation (?)

Affected Facility Information



Primary Right of Way Type Public

Public Right of Way Type City Street

Affected Operation* Water

Facility Subtype Affected* Service/Drop/Lateral

Facility Owner Company Name Westmoreland Municipal Water

Contact First Name Paul **Last Name**

Address

City

State

Zip

Email **Phone** 724-640-5975

Joint Trench? Yes No Unknown

Involve Cross Bore? Yes No Unknown

Measured Depth from Grade 18" - 36" / 46 - 91 cm

Work Information



Start Date of Excavation (?) 05/03/2022
07:00:00 AM

Excavation Activity NATURAL GAS

Excavator Company Name NPL Construction Company

Contact First Name Jennifer Last Name Jacobs

Address 199 South Johnson Road

City Houston

State PA

Zip 15342

Email jjacobs@gonpl.com Phone 724-678-7034

Marked in White Yes No Unknown

Method of Excavation DIGGING

Equipment Used What Equipment was used for excavation or demolition when the event occurred?
BACKHOE/TRACKHOE

Type of Excavator What is the type of excavator for whom the work was being done when the event occurred?
Non-utility Pipeline Operator

Did Excavator incur down time? Yes No Unknown

How much down time? 2- < 3 hrs

Estimated cost of down time Unknown

Was a response posted to the One Call System? Yes No Unknown

What level of subsurface utility engineering was utilized?

Estimated cost of the entire project

What was the length of the entire project? Please include the appropriate measurement: IN, FT, MI, DIA

Project Owner Company Name Nisource/Columbia Gas

Contact First Name John Last Name Askey

Address 2787 Memorial Hwy

City Connellsville

State PA

Zip 15301
Email jaskey@nisource.com Phone 724-986-2271

Event Impact



- Did Violation result in underground damage or near miss event? Damage
- OSHA Report Filed? Yes No
- Was 911 called? Yes No
- Did the incident cause any injuries? Yes
- Did the incident cause any deaths? Yes
- Was there an evacuation? Yes No
- Traffic Stopped? Yes No
- Service Interrupted? Yes No
- Duration of Service Interruption? 1 - < 6 hrs
- Approximately how many customers were affected? 1
- Cost of Damaged Line Repair? Unknown
- Was other property damaged? Yes No

Locator/Locate Information



- Who was the facility line locator? Contract Locator
- Locator Company Westmoreland Municipal Water
- Contact First Name Paul Last Name
- Address
- City
- State
- Zip
- Email Phone 724-640-5975
- Was the line marked? Accurately Inaccurately/Incompletely Not Marked
 Unknown
- Were facilities marked according to APWA/CGA temporary marking color code (ANSI standard Z535.1)? Yes No Unknown

What types of marks were present? Paint
 Flags
 Stakes
 Other

Were offset markings used? Yes No Unknown

Condition of Marks Visible

Was the line marked by the response due date or within the agreed upon locate schedule? (?) Yes No Unknown

Was the excavation within the tolerance zone? (?) Yes No Unknown

Was there an indication of underground facilities (clear evidence) in the excavation area? Yes No Unknown

What method(s) were used to locate the facility? Electronic Records
 Visual Exposed

Did the excavator request payment under PennDOT Form 408 specifications for extra work performed on a force account basis? Yes No

Additional Locate Comments Westmoreland water locator did not mark the water service accurately. Locate mark was off by several inches outside of the tolerance zone.
If this incident involved any locating/markings errors, please include all records related to the locator's training and qualification (including training to meet UULPL standards as well as Operator Qualification).

Summary and Attachments

Provide a summary of the event While excavating to to install a 4 inch gas main, NPL Operator struck and damaged a 3/4 inch copper water line that was mismarked. Once outside of the tolerance zone of the mis-marked water service, the NPL crew started to excavate and struck the mismarked copper water service.
If more space is needed, attach additional pages or documents.

Attachments	1.jpg	134.67KB
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	3.jpg	154.32KB

Attach pictures and additional documents

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Exhibit 2

CDC 00000 POCS MM/DD/YY TT:TT:TT 20220561415-000 NEW XCAV CMPX

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=====PENNSYLVANIA UNDERGROUND UTILITY LINE PROTECTION REQUEST=====

Serial Number--[20220561415]-[000] Channel#--[1229AWEB][0636][2019-08]

Message Type--[NEW][EXCAVATION][COMPLEX PROJECT][B]
Preconstruction Meeting Requested--[Y]

Proposed Meeting Date and Time--[02-Mar-22][1100] Response Due Date--[01-Mar-22]
Lawful Start Date--[11-Mar-22] Duration--[TIL COMPLETE]

Meeting Location--
[IN PERSON - YES. (SEE REMARKS). 201 HIGHLAND AVENUE.]

Caller--[ADDISON LAX]
Caller Phone--[724-809-8681]
Excavator--[NORTHERN PIPELINE CONSTRUCTION]
Address--[2252 UNIVERSITY DR]
City--[LEMONT FURNACE] State--[PA] Zip--[15456]
FAX--[] Caller Type--[B]
Email--[ALAX@GONPL.COM]

Onsite Contact--[JOSH HOFFER]
Onsite Contact Phone--[412-335-6041]
Best Time to Call--[7AM - 3PM]
Onsite Contact Email--[JHOFFER@GONPL.COM]

Scope of Work
County--[WESTMORELAND]
Municipality--[SEWICKLEY TWP]
Bounded by--[WILPS DR]
and--[MEADOW LN]
and--[HIGHLAND AVE]
Site Marked in White--[N] Subdivision--[]
Location Information--
[PARTIES CAN MEET AT 201 HIGHLAND AVENUE. IN THE LIBRARY PARKING LOT BESIDE
DOLLAR GENERAL STORE.]

Mapped Type--[C] Mapped Lat/Lon--
[]

Attachments--[<http://www.pa811.org/attachments/20220561415>]

Type of Work--[EXCAVATION] Depth--[VARIES]
Extent of Excavation--[] Method of Excavation--[DITCHING]
Equip Type--[BACKHOE/EXCAVATOR AND/OR TRENCHLESS TECH]
Street--[X] Sidewalk--[X] Pub Prop--[X] Pvt Prop--[X] Other--[]
Private Front--[X] Rear--[X] Left--[X] Right--[X]

Owner--[COLUMBIA GAS OF PA UNIONTOWN PA]
Job Number--[21-0239369-00]
CPA Project ID--[1763673]

Prepared--[25-Feb-22] at [1240] by [ADDISONLAX]

Remarks--

[ALL FACILITY OWNERS ARE REQUIRED TO ATTEND THIS MEETING UNLESS A CLEAR
RESPONSE CAN BE DETERMINED FROM THE SCOPE OF THE WORK.

*****==ADDITIONAL MEETING INFORMATION==*****

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ASL0 ASL=CROWN CASTLE BD 0 BD =VERIZON PA CCH0 CCH=COL GAS CHAR
CGR0 CGR=COL GAS JEANNET CSA0 CSA=COL GAS IO 0 IO =COMCAST
JU 0 JU =WSTMLD CMA KN 0 KN =WEST PENN POWER LL10 LL1=LAUREL MTN MIDS
SEW0 SEW=SEWICKLEY TWP

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RESPONSES for S/N: 20220561415:

Ver	CDC	Name	Response	Time	Respondent
0	SEW	SEWICKLEY TOWNSHIP	SEW-WILL ATTEND MEETING	2/28/2022 10:18:06 AM	PA-WEB
0	LL1	LAUREL MOUNTAIN MIDSTREAM LLC	LL1-CLEAR. NO FACILITIES OR FACIL NOT INVOLVED	2/27/2022 6:23:10 PM	RMC-WEBSVC
0	KN	WEST PENN POWER	KN-CLEAR. NO FACILITIES OR FACIL NOT INVOLVED	2/28/2022 7:40:45 AM	MBR-WEBSVC
0	JU	WESTMORELAND CO MUNI AUTH OF	JU-ATTENDED MEETING. REACHED AGREEMENT	3/2/2022 12:00:54 PM	CF-WEBSVC
0	JU	WESTMORELAND CO MUNI AUTH OF	JU-SCHEDULED MARK	3/7/2022 5:55:48 AM	MB-WEBSVC
0	JU	WESTMORELAND CO MUNI AUTH OF	JU-ATTENDED MEETING. REACHED AGREEMENT	3/2/2022 2:45:23 PM	DG-WEBSVC
0	JU	WESTMORELAND CO MUNI AUTH OF	JU-SCHEDULED MARK	3/7/2022 5:57:10 AM	MB-WEBSVC
0	JU	WESTMORELAND CO MUNI AUTH OF	JU-SCHEDULED MARK	3/14/2022 1:45:04 PM	MB-WEBSVC
0	JU	WESTMORELAND CO MUNI AUTH OF	JU-WILL ATTEND MEETING	2/28/2022 2:22:56 PM	MB-WEBSVC
0	IO	COMCAST	IO-CLEAR. NO FACILITIES OR FACIL NOT INVOLVED	2/28/2022 7:39:41 AM	CLS-WEBSVC
0	BD	VERIZON PENNSYLVANIA LLC	BD-NO RESPONSE	3/2/2022 12:03:47 AM	Auto-KARL
0	CCH	COLUMBIA GAS OF PA INC CHARLEROI	CCH-CLEAR. WILL NOT ATTEND MEETING	2/28/2022 1:48:01 PM	AAA-WEBSVC
0	ASL	CROWN CASTLE	ASL-CLEAR. NO FACILITIES OR FACIL NOT INVOLVED	2/25/2022 4:47:21 PM	AAA-WEBSVC
0	CGR	COLUMBIA GAS OF PA INC JEANNETTE	CGR-CLEAR. WILL NOT ATTEND MEETING	2/28/2022 1:48:01 PM	AAA-WEBSVC
0	CSA	COLUMBIA GAS OF PA INC	CSA-CLEAR. WILL NOT ATTEND MEETING	2/28/2022 1:48:01 PM	AAA-WEBSVC

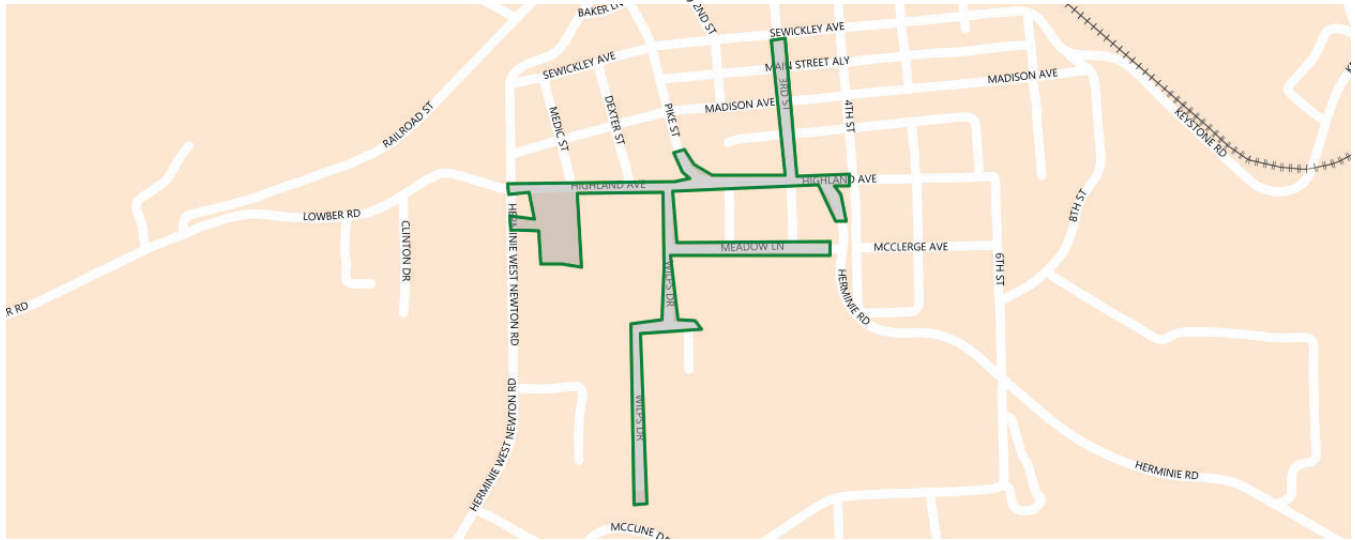
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0	LL1	LAUREL MOUNTAIN MIDSTREAM LLC	LL1	2/25/2022 12:40:33 PM	4	MAIL
0	KN	WEST PENN POWER	KN	2/25/2022 12:40:32 PM	234	MAIL
0	JU	WESTMORELAND CO MUNI AUTH OF	JU	2/25/2022 12:40:31 PM	3	MAIL
0	IO	COMCAST	IO	2/25/2022 12:40:30 PM	2	MAIL
0	BD	VERIZON PENNSYLVANIA LLC	BD	2/25/2022 12:40:29 PM	162	MAIL
0	CCH	COLUMBIA GAS OF PA INC CHARLEROI	CCH	2/25/2022 12:40:28 PM	2	MAIL
0	ASL	CROWN CASTLE	ASL	2/25/2022 12:40:27 PM	239	MAIL
0	CGR	COLUMBIA GAS OF PA INC JEANNETTE	CGR	2/25/2022 12:40:28 PM	5	MAIL
0	CSA	COLUMBIA GAS OF PA INC	CSA	2/25/2022 12:40:28 PM	9	MAIL

NOTIFICATIONS for S/N: 20220561415:

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0	TPN		0	0	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0
0	SUV		0	0	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0
0	SGN		0	0	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0
0	SEW	SEW	1	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
0	MI		0	0	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0
0	LX		0	0	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0
0	LL1	LL1	1	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
0	LHT		0	0	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0
0	KN	KN	1	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
0	KMI		0	0	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0
0	JU	JU	1	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
0	JR		0	0	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0
0	JRM		0	0	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0
0	IO	IO	1	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
0	AL		0	0	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0
0	ARV		0	0	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0
0	JB		0	0	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0
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Exhibit 3

CDC 00000 POCS MM/DD/YY TT:TT:TT 20221031304-000 NEW XCAV RTN

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Serial Number--[20221031304]-[000] Channel#--[0911AWEB][0317][2019-08]
Message Type--[NEW][EXCAVATION][ROUTINE]

County--[WESTMORELAND] Municipality--[SEWICKLEY TWP]

Work Site--[3RD ST]

Nearest Intersection--[HIGHLAND AVE]

Second Intersection--[SEWICKLEY AVE]

At Intersection--[N] Between Intersections--[N] Site Marked in White--[N]

Subdivision--[]

Location Information--

[INSTALLATION OF GAS MAIN AND SERVICES ON 3RD STREET FROM HIGHLAND AVENUE
TO SEWICKLEY AVENUE]

Caller Lat/Lon--[]

Mapped Type--[C] Mapped Lat/Lon--

[]

Attachments--[http://www.pa811.org/attachments/20221031304]

Type of Work--[GAS LINE REPLACEMENT] Depth--[VARIES]

Extent of Excavation--[] Method of Excavation--[DITCHING]

Equip Type--[BACKHOE/EXCAVATOR AND/OR TRENCHLESS TECH]

Street--[X] Sidewalk--[X] Pub Prop--[X] Pvt Prop--[X] Other--[]

Private Front--[X] Rear--[X] Left--[X] Right--[X]

Lawful Start Dates--[18-Apr-22] thru [27-Apr-22] Response Due Date--[15-Apr-22]

Scheduled Excavation Date--[18-Apr-22] Dig Time--[0700] Duration--[TIL COMPLETE]

Caller--[ADDISON LAX]

Caller Phone--[724-809-8681]

Excavator--[NORTHERN PIPELINE CONSTRUCTION]

Address--[2252 UNIVERSITY DR]

City--[LEMONT FURNACE]

State--[PA] Zip--[15456]

FAX--[]

Caller Type--[B]

Email--[ALAX@GONPL.COM]

Work For--[COLUMBIA GAS OF PA UNIONTOWN PA]

Onsite Contact--[JOE GARDNER]

Onsite Contact Phone--[443-506-5352]

Best Time to Call--[7AM - 3PM]

Onsite Contact Email--[JGARDNER@GONPL.COM]

Job Number--[21-0239369-00] Complex Project Number--[20220561415]-[000]

CPA Project ID--[1763673]

Prepared--[13-Apr-22] at [0917] by [ADDISONLAX]

Remarks--

[PLEASE LOCATE ALL UTILITIES 150 FEET IN ALL DIRECTIONS OF INTERSECTIONS]

CCH0 CCH=COL GAS CHAR

CGR0 CGR=COL GAS JEANNET CSA0 CSA=COL GAS

JU 0 JU =WSTMLD CMA

KN 0 KN =WEST PENN POWER SEW0 SEW=SEWICKLEY TWP

Serial Number--[20221031304]-[000]

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0	KN	WEST PENN POWER	KN-CLEAR. NO FACILITIES OR FACIL NOT INVOLVED	4/13/2022 2:02:58 PM	MBR-WEBSVC
0	JU	WESTMORELAND CO MUNI AUTH OF	JU-CONFLICT. DCTF BY FO	4/14/2022 10:14:22 AM	KS-WEBSVC
0	JU	WESTMORELAND CO MUNI AUTH OF	JU-SCHEDULED MARK	4/14/2022 9:38:57 AM	DG-WEBSVC
0	JU	WESTMORELAND CO MUNI AUTH OF	JU-FIELD MARKED	4/19/2022 10:18:45 AM	KS-WEBSVC
0	CCH	COLUMBIA GAS OF PA INC CHARLEROI	CCH-FIELD MARKED	4/13/2022 6:43:00 PM	AAA-WEBSVC
0	CGR	COLUMBIA GAS OF PA INC JEANNETTE	CGR-FIELD MARKED	4/13/2022 6:43:00 PM	AAA-WEBSVC
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0	SEW	SEWICKLEY TOWNSHIP	SEW	4/13/2022 9:17:39 AM	1	MAIL
0	KN	WEST PENN POWER	KN	4/13/2022 9:17:38 AM	161	MAIL
0	JU	WESTMORELAND CO MUNI AUTH OF	JU	4/13/2022 9:17:37 AM	3	MAIL
0	CCH	COLUMBIA GAS OF PA INC CHARLEROI	CCH	4/13/2022 9:17:32 AM	5	MAIL
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0	SGN		0	0	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0
0	SEW	SEW	1	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
0	MI		0	0	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0
0	LX		0	0	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0
0	LL1		0	0	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0
0	LHT		0	0	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0
0	KN	KN	1	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
0	KMI		0	0	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0
0	JU	JU	1	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
0	JR		0	0	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0
0	JRM		0	0	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0
0	IO		0	0	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0
0	AL		0	0	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0
0	ARV		0	0	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0
0	JB		0	0	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0
0	BD		0	0	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0
0	CCH	CCH	1	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
0	ASL		0	0	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0
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Exhibit 4

Alleged Violation Report

PA Act 287, as amended 73 P. S. § 176 et. seq.
Powered by Pennsylvania One Call System, Inc.

AVR Number AVR2022MAY120022

AVR Version 1

First Name Ray **Last Name** Geesey

Company Name Columbia Gas of PA - South

Address 305 N Franklin St

City Hanover

State PA

Zip Code 17331

Email abreighner@nisource.com **Phone** 717-324-0580

Ext

Role

Submitter Role(s) (?)

<input type="checkbox"/> Facility Owner	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Designer
<input type="checkbox"/> Excavator	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Project Owner
<input type="checkbox"/> Locator	<input type="checkbox"/> Enforcement Agency
<input type="checkbox"/> Other	

Are you representing a company other than your own? Yes No

What company or individual are you representing?

Alleged Violation Information

PUC Case Number (if known)

Related AVR Number (?)

Type of Alleged Violation (?) Facility Owner Issue

Reason Marked incorrectly §2(5)

When did the alleged violation occur? (?) 05/03/2022

10:30:00 AM

Was the One Call System notified? Yes No

Original Serial Number

Please enter the 11 digit One Call Serial Number under which work was taking place, which will populate the work site information of this alleged violation.
20221031304

Related Damage Serial Number, if applicable

Other Related Serial Numbers (?) 20212041870

Other Related Serial Numbers (?) 20220561415

Was the excavation exempt from One Call notification? Yes No Unknown

Reason for Exemption

Event Information



County WESTMORELAND

Municipality SEWICKLEY TWP

Ward 0

Work Site 3RD ST

Nearest Intersection HIGHLAND AVE

Second Intersection SEWICKLEY AVE

Geolocation (?)

Affected Facility Information



Primary Right of Way Type Public

Public Right of Way Type City Street

Private Right of Way Type

Affected Operation Water

Facility Subtype Affected Service/Drop/Lateral

Facility Owner Company Name Westmoreland Municipal Water

Contact First Name Paul **Last Name**

Address

City

State

Zip
Email Phone 724-640-5975
Joint Trench? Yes No Unknown
Involve Cross Bore? Yes No Unknown
Measured Depth from Grade 18" - 36" / 46 - 91 cm
Exact Measured Depth from Grade Enter the inches or centimeters with number and measurement used

Work Information



Start Date of Excavation (?) 05/03/2022
07:00:00 AM
Excavation Activity NATURAL GAS
Excavator Company Name Northern Pipeline Construction
Contact First Name Jennifer Last Name Jacobs
Address 199 S Johnson Rd
City Houston
State PA
Zip 15342
Email jjacobs@gonpl.com Phone 724-678-7034
Marked in White Yes No Unknown
Method of Excavation DIGGING
Equipment Used What Equipment was used for excavation or demolition when the event occurred?
BACKHOE/TRACKHOE
Type of Excavator What is the type of excavator for whom the work was being done when the event occurred?
Utility
Did Excavator incur down time? Yes No Unknown
How much down time? 2- < 3 hrs
Estimated cost of down time Unknown
Was a response posted to the One Call System? Yes No Unknown
Was the design serial number on the plans/bid documents? Yes No Unknown
Were the lines shown on the plans/bid documents? Yes No Unknown
What level of subsurface utility engineering was utilized? C (Above ground survey)

Estimated cost of the entire project \$400,000 or more

What was the length of the entire project? 5512 FT

Project Owner Company Name Columbia Gas of PA

Contact First Name Ray Last Name Geesey

Address

City

State

Zip

Email Phone

Event Impact



Did Violation result in underground damage or near miss event? Damage

OSHA Report Filed? Yes No

OSHA Report Number

Was 911 called? Yes No

Name of 911 Caller

Fire Response Yes No

Police Response Yes No

Did the incident cause any injuries? Yes

Number of Injuries (?)

Did the incident cause any deaths? Yes

Number of Deaths

Was there an evacuation? Yes No

Number of people evacuated?

Traffic Stopped? Yes No

Service Interrupted? Yes No

Duration of Service Interruption? 1 - < 6 hrs

Exact Value of Service Interruption

Approximately how many customers were affected? 1

Exact Number of Customers Affected

Cost of Damaged Line Repair? Unknown

Exact Cost of Damaged Line Repair

Was other property damaged? Yes No

What other property was damaged?

Cost of Other Property Repair

Locator/Locate Information



Who was the facility line locator? Contract Locator

Locator Company Westmoreland Municipal Water

Contact First Name Paul Last Name

Address

City

State

Zip

Email Phone 724-640-5975

Was the line marked? Accurately Inaccurately/Incompletely Not Marked
 Unknown

Were facilities marked according to APWA/CGA temporary marking color code (ANSI standard Z535.1)? Yes No Unknown

What types of marks were present? Paint
 Flags
 Stakes
 Other

Were offset markings used? Yes No Unknown

Condition of Marks Visible

Was the line marked by the response due date or within the agreed upon locate schedule? (?) Yes No Unknown

Reason for Late Locate

Was the excavation within the tolerance zone? (?) Yes No Unknown

Was there an indication of underground facilities (clear evidence) in the excavation area? Yes No Unknown

What was the evidence?
(meter/pedestal, pipeline marker, valve
box, hydrant, manhole, etc.)

What method(s) were used to locate
the facility? Electronic Records
 Visual Exposed

Did the excavator request payment
under PennDOT Form 408
specifications for extra work
performed on a force account basis? Yes No

Additional Locate Comments

Westmoreland Water locator did not mark the water service
accurately. Locate mark was off by several inches outside the
tolerance zone.

If this incident involved any locating/markings errors, please include all records related to the
locator's training and qualification (including training to meet UULPL standards as well as
Operator Qualification).

Summary and Attachments

Provide a summary of the event

NPL, working on behalf of Columbia Gas for an infrastructure
replacement project, was excavating to install a 4 inch gas main
when the Operator struck and damaged a mismarked 3/4 inch
copper water line. Once outside the tolerance zone of the paint
marks, the NPL crew started to excavate and that is when they
struck the line.

If more space is needed, attach additional pages or documents.

Attachments

1.jpg 134.67KB
2.jpg 130.45KB
3.jpg 154.32KB

Attach pictures and additional documents

Submit Date

05/12/2022

Compliance Update

Research Result

Listed tickets found
 Additional tickets found
 No tickets found

Additional Tickets Found

Additional Serial Numbers 20220561415

Additional Serial Numbers 20220732507

Additional Serial Numbers 20220732587

Additional Serial Numbers 20221031304

Additional Serial Numbers 20213363098

Additional Serial Numbers 20202471175

Additional Serial Numbers 20212041870

Ticket Attachment

1763673 CPA documents.pdf

4.91MB

1016698 CPA documents.pdf

569.99KB

Comments

**BEFORE THE
PENNSYLVANIA PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION**

Pennsylvania Public Utility Commission,	:	
Bureau of Investigation and Enforcement,	:	
Complainant	:	
	:	
v.	:	Docket No. C-2024-
	:	
Columbia Gas of Pennsylvania, Inc.,	:	
Respondent	:	

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that I have this day served a true copy of the foregoing document upon the parties, listed below, in accordance with the requirements of 52 Pa. Code § 1.54 (relating to service by a party).

Service by Certified Mail and Electronic Mail

Columbia Gas of Pennsylvania, Inc.
Attn: Peter Trufahnestock
800 North Third Street, Suite 204
Harrisburg, PA 17120
ptrufahnestock@nisource.com



Grant Rosul
Prosecutor
PA Attorney ID No. 318204

Pennsylvania Public Utility Commission
Bureau of Investigation and Enforcement
Commonwealth Keystone Building
400 North Street
Harrisburg, PA 17120
(717) 783-5243
grosul@pa.gov

Dated: August 6, 2024