

South Dakota State Program Manager Report

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State Program Operators

- 4 Private Distribution Operators
 - MEC, MDU, NWE and NNG (farm taps)
- 4 Municipal Operators
 - Crooks, Garretson, Humboldt and Watertown
- 7 Intrastate Transmission
 - Basin, Black Hills Power, MDU, NWE, SDIP, Sioux Falls Landfill, and Xcel.

State Operator Statistics (To date)

- 4804 Miles Distribution Mains in 2015
- 4736 Miles Distribution Mains in 2014(+68)
- 203,553 Distribution Services in 2015
- 200,591 Distribution Services in 2014(+2962)
- 287.69 Miles Transmission Pipeline in 2015
- 287.69 Miles Transmission Pipeline in 2014

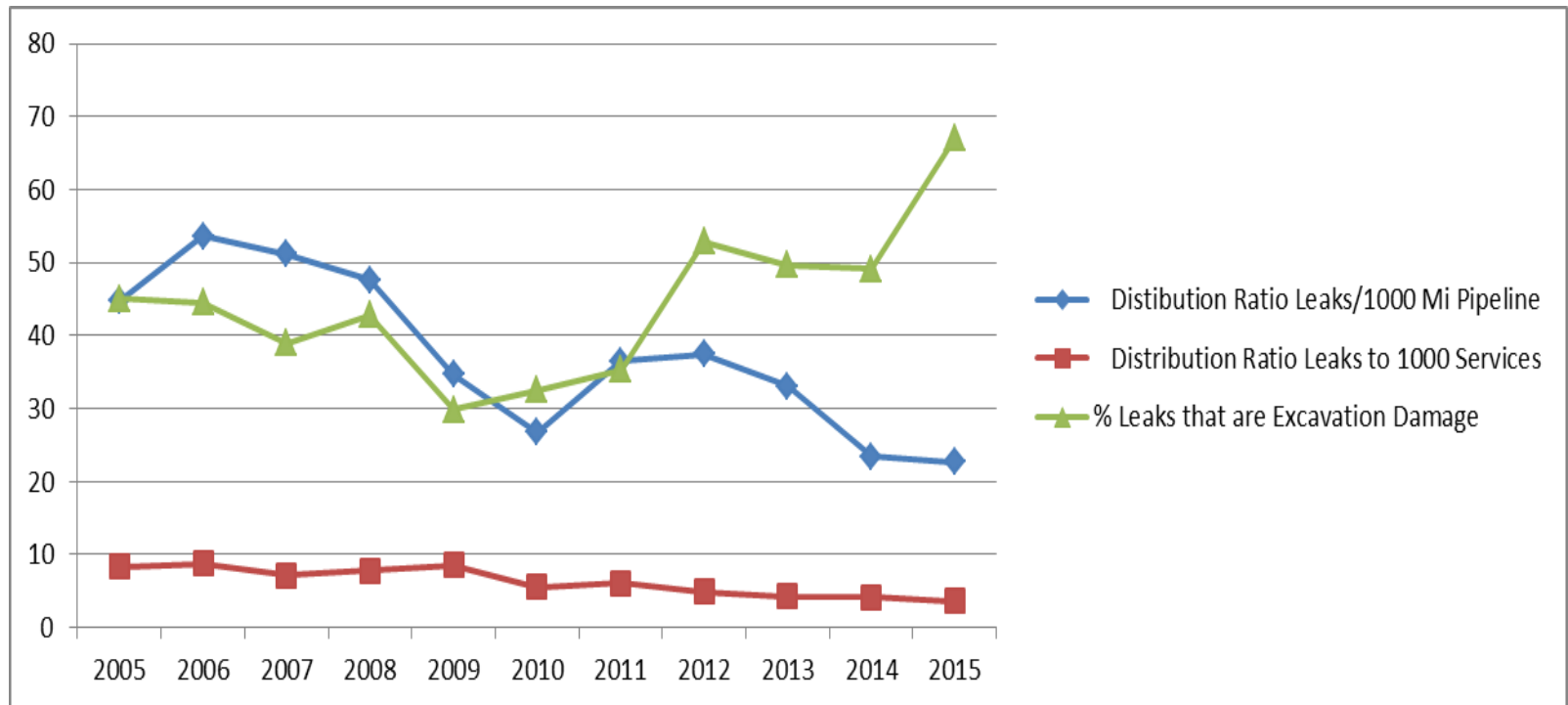
South Dakota PUC Jurisdiction

- "Gas," natural gas, liquefied natural gas, flammable gas, gas which is toxic or corrosive, or liquefied petroleum gas in distribution systems.
- "Intrastate pipeline," any pipeline or that part of a pipeline to which this part applies that is not an interstate pipeline.
- Do NOT have jurisdiction over liquid lines or interstate gas transmission lines.

Incidents

- There were one jurisdictional incident reported in 2015.
- Gettysburg, SD on June 17, 2015
- House explosion and fire.
- One family member, a 4month old child, was injured with burns on their hands and face.
- Cause was third party excavation completed in September 2014.

Leak Numbers Down – Excavation Hits Still Problem



Levels of Enforcement- NOPV/Warnings

- Violations carried forward from CY2014: 44
 - Warnings/Violations issued in 2015: 58
 - Warning/Violations corrected in 2015: 56
 - Warning/Violations outstanding: 2
 - Civil penalties assessed in 2015: \$0
- 16 violations were Cathodic Protection related and found during record inspections.
 - 9 violations were related to the Public Awareness Program.

Construction Activity

- No large or significant projects.

Damage Prevention (DP) Update

Natural Gas cases

Third Party Complaints numbers to date in 2016.

- DP cases in 2015: (12 total)
- 2015 cases closed: 9
- 2015 cases pending: 3
- Enforcement Actions Taken:
 - Civil Penalties issued: 10
 - Civil Penalties assessed to date: \$7,250
- Complaints in 2016 through March 7, 2016 = 3

Program Overview

- 152 Inspection days were conducted in 2015.
- Inspector training has been completed by both Boice & Mary.

State Program Concerns

- Regulation training and guidance for inspector.
- Staying informed of all updates on pipeline regulations as they become available.

Questions?

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