UPDATE AND INFORMATION

TECHNICAL CONFERENCE ON ENVIRONMENTAL PERMITTING & CONSTRUCTION

February 17 - 19, 2014; Hyatt Regency - Austin, TX

The SGA Technical Conference on Environmental Permitting & Construction is designed to provide professionals in the pipeline design and construction industry a better understanding of the requirements associated with permitting complex projects and ensuring they are constructed per the federal, state, and local regulatory requirements.
CONTROL OF NATURAL GAS IN EMERGENCIES - BOOKLET
This valuable resource is being updated and will include new and updated information on the following:

- Addition of an "Arrival Checklist" based on the scene size-up process
- An overview of the Incident Command System from the perspective of how gas company responders can dovetail their response into the existing ICS structure established by public sector responders
- An overview of response to transmission pipeline incidents including ruptures, M&R station incidents, and relief valve venting
- Enhanced crisis communications tips
- An overview of resources including Material Safety Data Sheets, The Emergency Response Guidebook, and WISER (The Wireless Information System For Emergency Responders)
- Substitution of photos for existing engineering drawings where appropriate.

This updated product is expected to be available in January/February 2014. Contact: Gary Hines.

ZIPGAUGE
The ZipGauge is designed to quickly measure the slope angle of an excavation and verify compliance with the OSHA Maximum Allowable Slopes. This product was first introduced at the Safety & Health Roundtable in 2005. Click here to learn more and to place an order.

PRACTICAL IN-LINE INSPECTION WORKSHOP
This workshop provides operations and maintenance engineers in pipeline companies with the knowledge to establish and manage an intelligent pigging program that contributes optimum value toward improved pipeline integrity. This workshop partners include DNV Columbus and Kiefner & Associates. To maximize hands-on training, this workshop is conducted at T.D. Williamson’s facilities in Tulsa OK.

This workshop is tentatively scheduled for May 6-8, 2014. Please let us know if you or your company is interested: Click Here

INTEGRITY MANAGEMENT FOR GAS TRANSMISSION PIPELINES WORKSHOP
This workshop goes beyond understanding U.S. PHMSA IMP regulations and ASME B31.8S, Managing the Integrity of Gas Pipelines, and focuses on the future of IMP. Workshop instructors will provide an overview of IMP basics as well as regulatory requirements and processes. Instructors will then look specifically at the impact of IMP regulations that are on the horizon.

This workshop is tentatively scheduled for May 20-22, 2014, in Houston. Please let us know if you or your company is interested: Click Here
ADVANCED IN-LINE INSPECTION

This workshop provides operations and maintenance engineers in pipeline companies with the knowledge to establish and manage an intelligent pigging program that contributes optimum value toward improved pipeline integrity.

This workshop is tentatively scheduled for June 3-5, 2014, at DNV's facilities near Columbus OH. Please let us know if you or your company is interested: Click Here

SGA EXECUTIVE COUNCIL WHITE PAPER - 2013

The Executive Council's focus in 2013 is to "Advance the Natural Gas Conversation". Their deliverables include:

- Review and promote the documentary, "Switch"
- Developing a white paper focused on:
  - Load Growth and Sustainability
  - Pipeline Safety and Compliance
  - Demand Drivers
  - Supply and the Technology it Takes to Get us There (example: fracking)

To access a copy of the EC’s white paper, click here

CONNECTING WITH YOUR PEERS - IT’S EASY!

SGA is pleased to offer Connect@SGA. This tool extends the collaborative aspects of SGA by extending the interaction and idea sharing that happens at our conferences, workshops and roundtables. Read more and learn how to "Connect@SGA."

Discussions conducted in September:

- Energized House Lines
- 24/7 Shift Coverage Pay Differential
- Out Of Service Mercaptan Tank Management
- Gas Controllers scheduling software
- NFPA 70E

WHO IS THE ECONOMIC REGULATORY ADMINISTRATION (ERA)

Ever wonder about a term or in need of some industry specific definition? Connect@SGA can help with this! We have been updating our list of definitions to better serve our membership and provide a platform for consistent information being available to all members. There is even a way to request for a definition to be added if one currently does not exist.

Want to learn who the ERA is and find many more definitions for the industry? Click Here or Log in today at http://connect.southerngas.org.

UNDERSTANDING THE RESIDENTIAL BUILDING CODES IMPACTING NATURAL GAS – WEBINAR

- Understanding and Achieving the Ventilation Requirements for Gas Fired Appliances in Foam Insulated Homes - Presented by Bobby Parks, Healthy Homes of Louisiana, LLC
- New Water Heater Ruling for 2015 and Assisting Builders with the Combustion Air Issues - Presented by Reggie Johnson, Manager-Technical Services, Alagasco

This webinar was recorded and you can access the re-play by contacting Veronica Garza.
## EVENT CALENDAR

**VIRTUAL CONFERENCE FOR ARCHITECTS AND ENGINEERS**
November 5th, 2013; 1-4pm CST; Online

**TRANSMISSION PIPELINE DESIGN WORKSHOP**
January 14-17, 2013; Energy Transfer - Houston, TX

**TECHNICAL CONFERENCE ON ENVIRONMENTAL PERMITTING & CONSTRUCTION**
February 17-19, 2013; Hyatt Regency - Austin, TX

**MANAGEMENT CONFERENCE**
April 2-4, 2013; Disney's Yacht and Beach Club - Lake Buena Vista (Orlando), FL

Many of our workshops are available to bring to your location. Some of our workshops are scheduled based on demand. Check out our full list of onsite workshops to indicate your interests. Or contact Member Services.

## SGA NETWORK

**NETWORK NEWS - OCTOBER ISSUE**
Visit our communications center to access the October issue, full of ideas on ways to use the Network in your organization, as well as information about upcoming events.

Featured articles:

1. October Video Broadcast Information
2. Recommended Reading
3. SGA Network and Committee Updates
4. Learning Trends

## GAS MACHINERY RESEARCH COUNCIL

**GAS MACHINERY CONFERENCE**
The GMC was a huge success in Albuquerque. We had over 1,100 attendees with over 100 companies exhibiting their products and services. Special thanks to Conference Chair - Manny Angulo, CECO. Make plans now to attend this event in Nashville (October 5-8, 2014).

We appreciate our Conference sponsors:
- Siemens - Welcome to Albuquerque Reception
- Ariel Corp - Monday Night Reception
- Dresser-Rand - Monday Night Football Party
- EmeraChem - Water Bottles
- FW Murphy - Hotel Key Cards
- Advanced Gas Engine Solutions - Lanyards
- GE - Opening Luncheon
- CPI - Conference Bags
- Hoerbiger - Tuesday Breakfast
- Wood Group - Tuesday AM Refreshment Break
- ACI Services - Smart Phone App
- Cameron - Flash Drives
- TECO-Westinghouse - GMC 2013 Lounge

**INTRODUCTION TO GAS TURBINES AND CENTRIFUGAL GAS COMPRESSORS**
October 21-22, 2013; Sheraton Station Square Hotel - Pittsburgh, PA

**ENGINE EMISSIONS STACK TESTING AND ANALYZER WORKSHOP**
November 5-7, 2013; Renaissance Hotel - Oklahoma City OK

**BLOG HIGHLIGHTS**

The [SGA Blog](#) is a great way to keep up with everything going on at Southern Gas Association:

- North American Oil & Gas Pipelines Article
- Gas Machinery Research Council Board Meeting
- State Pipeline Safety Requirements & Initiatives Compared to Code of Federal Regulations
- SGA Welcomes New Members - Apache, ICFI, and Constellation

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