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Pipeline Safety – What Local Communities Want to Know

A conference for all stakeholders

**Hotel Monteleone, New Orleans, Louisiana,
November 5th & 6th, 2009**

DAY ONE - Nov. 5, 2009

9:00 – 9:05 Welcoming Comments – La Nouvelle Orleans

9:05 – 9:30 Opening Session – La Nouvelle Orleans

Why Involving the Public is Important to Pipeline Safety – Four Varied Perspectives

Bob Rackleff, County Commissioner, FL

Glenn Archambault, Rancher, OR

Rick Kessler, Lobbyist, DC

Alan Rathbun, Former State Pipeline Safety Director, WA

9:30 – 10:15 General Session - La Nouvelle Orleans

Trust but Verify – How can a community learn the facts about the pipelines that run through them? What do the facts mean?

Jeff Wiese, Associate Administrator, Pipeline & Hazardous Materials Safety Admin.

Peter Lidiak, Director, Pipeline Segment, American Petroleum Institute

Carl Weimer, Executive Director, Pipeline Safety Trust

10:15 – 10:45 General Session – La Nouvelle Orleans

Community Technical Assistance Grants – What are they? How do I get one? What hoops do I have to jump through?

Sam Hall, PHMSA, Coordinator of Community Technical Assistance Grants

Carl Weimer, Executive Director, Pipeline Safety Trust

10:45 – 11:00 – Break

11:00 – 12:00 – General Session - La Nouvelle Orleans

Need information and assistance? Where to go, what's available and what's not.

Elizabeth Komiskey, Community Assistance & Technical Services, PHMSA

Pipeline Industry Information Specialist

Carl Weimer, Executive Director, Pipeline Safety Trust

12:00 – 1:30 - LUNCH – Provided – Queen Anne Ballroom

1:30 – 2:45 General Session - La Nouvelle Orleans

Pipelines and Informed Planning Alliance (PIPA) – Bringing Guidance to Local Communities - Facilitated by Carl Weimer

Steve Fischer, Director of Program Development, PHMSA

Terry Boss, Senior Vice President, Interstate Natural Gas Association of America

Chuck Lesniak, Environmental Policy Program Manager, City of Austin, Texas

2:45 – 3:00 Break

3:00 – 4:15 Breakouts

Local government assessment of pipeline safety and planning issues – La Nouvelle Orleans – Facilitated by Elizabeth Komiskey

Bob Archey, Chairman, Washington State Citizens Committee on Pipeline Safety

Robert Hill, Brookings County Zoning Director, Brookings County, South Dakota

Dick Goldsmith, PST, Proposed new pipeline safety code provisions, La Center, Washington

Local pipeline GIS applications and implementation - Iberville Room - Facilitated by John Jacobi

James Woods, City Manager, City of Blountstown, Florida

Ben Andrews, General Manager, Oak Ridge Utility District, Tennessee

John Piazza, President, Southern Cathodic Protection Co., Representing 5 grantees from cities and local utilities in Florida & Georgia

**5:30 – 7:00 Pipeline Safety Trust Board of Director’s Reception for Attendees
The Royal Ballroom (snacks & drinks)**

DAY TWO - Nov. 6, 2009

8:00 – 9:00 Continental Breakfast Provided - La Nouvelle Orleans

**8:10 – 9:30 - This Will Wake You Up – Movie Premiere - La Nouvelle Orleans
Split Estate - Documentary depicts dirty side of “clean alternative”**

9:30 – 10:45 – Breakouts

Local Government and Citizen Efforts to Understand Gas Drilling Impacts - La Nouvelle Orleans – Facilitated by Carl Weimer

Mayor Calvin Tillman, DISH, Texas

Deborah Rogers, Deborah’s Farmstead, Fort Worth, Texas

Wilma Subra, President, Subra Company & MacArthur Foundation Fellowship Winner

Leak assessment, emergency preparedness and response - Iberville Room - Facilitated by Harold Winnie

Brad Mears, Director of Operations, Kansas Municipal Utilities, McPherson, Kansas

Andrew Dorton, Prestonsburg Utility Commission, Prestonsburg, Kentucky

Frank McGarry, Senior Policy Manager, National Association of State Fire Marshals

10:45 – 11:00 - Break

11:00 – 12:15 Breakouts

Citizens assessing and monitoring pipelines - La Nouvelle Orleans

Facilitated by Joseph Mataich

Kristin Smith, Executive Director, Copper River Watershed Project, Cordova, Alaska

Anthony Moscarelli, Project Coordinator, Healthy Community Research, Suisun City, CA

Olivia Stockman, Director of Organizing & Campaigns, Northern Plains Resource Council, MT

**Local government efforts to increase safety and community awareness – Iberville Room
Facilitated by Dick Goldsmith**

Lori Bonilla, Utilities Business Development Coordinator, City of Mesa, Arizona

Cathy Pratt, Engineering & Development Services Manager, City of St. Peters, Missouri

Eileen Juico, Project Consultant, West Vincent Township, Pennsylvania

12:15 -1:30 – LUNCH – On Your Own

1:30 – 2:45 Breakouts

Community groups assessment of safety issues regarding new pipelines - La Nouvelle Orleans - Facilitated by Glenn Archambault

Lisa Van Houten, Bradford Glen Homeowners Association, Pennsylvania

Lynda Farrell, Consultant, Safety, Agriculture, Villages & Environment (SAVE), Pennsylvania

Libby Willis, Vice President, Fort Worth League of Neighborhood Associations, Fort Worth, TX

2:45 – 3:00 - La Nouvelle Orleans - Closing General Session