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 – 9:10 Welcoming Comments – La Nouvelle Orleans

9:10 – 9:30 Opening Address – La Nouvelle Orleans
The importance of involving communities in pipeline safety - Cynthia Quartermann, new administrator, PHMSA - Invited

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? Will they continue in the future?
Sam Hall, PHMSA, Coordinator of Community Technical Assistance Grants
Carl Weimer, 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
TBD, 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
Steve Fischer, Director of Program Development, PHMSA
Terry Boss, Senior Vice President, Interstate Natural Gas Association of America
Chuck Lesniak, City of Austin, Texas and National League of Cities

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
James Woods, City Manager, City of Blountstown, Florida
Ben Andrews, General Manager, Oak Ridge Utility District, Tennessee

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
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
Local government efforts to increase safety and community awareness – Iberville Room
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

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

12:15–1:30 – LUNCH – On Your Own

1:30 – 2:45 Breakouts
Community groups assessment of safety issues regarding new pipelines - Iberville Room
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

The Federal Government & Industry’s Growing Public Awareness Requirements & Efforts – Iberville Room
Pipeline and Hazardous Materials Safety Administration
American Petroleum Institute & Interstate Natural Gas Association of America

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