

Washington State Citizens Committee on Pipeline Safety
Meeting Minutes
Utilities and Transportation Commission
621 Woodland Square Loop SE, Lacey, WA 98503
March 18, 2020

Present members:

Jerome Delvin, Chair
Aaron Losik, Vice-Chair
Greg Baruso
Phillip Lemley
Nick Peelo
Andreas Kammereck
Leanne Guier

Absent members:

Ron Bowen
Karen Cash

Other attendees:

Sean Mayo, UTC Pipeline Safety Program
Joe Subsits, UTC Pipeline Safety Program
Debbie Becker, UTC Pipeline Safety Program
Rell Koizumi, UTC Pipeline Safety Program
Scott Zimmerman, Dept. of Ecology
Meagan Loy, Cascade Natural Gas Corporation
Colby Lundstrom, Cascade Natural Gas Corporation

Agenda Items:

- 1) **Welcome, Meeting Protocols, Introduction and Adoption of the September 25 and November 11, 2019 Minutes**
This meeting was held via Skype. The meeting was brought to order by Jerome Delvin who welcomed all attendees. In a unanimous vote, the Committee adopted the September 25 and November 11, 2019 meeting minutes as written.
- 2) **PST Update**
Agenda Item 2 has been moved to the May 6 agenda.
- 3) **Incident Reporting Requirements**
Joe Subsits reviewed the history of reporting incidents and how the reporting thresholds have changed over time. Joe reviewed the current process of reporting incidents and the different variables involved to determine state, federal, and non-reportable incidents.
- 4) **Department of Ecology**
The document is posted on CCOPS website and can be found here.

5) **UTC Update**

Sean Mayo briefed the committee on the following:

- 6 UTC Inspectors have become API 1169 certified. API 1169 is a Pipeline Construction Certification, which is not a mandated certification, but an additional industry certification.
- Outreach Efforts: Staff had a booth setup at the Northwest Flower and Garden Show with 811 gear.
- PHMSA Audit is scheduled for July (Field, Office, and Financial)
- Pipeline staffs response and current plan of action in response to Covid-19.

6) **Damage Prevention Update**

The damage prevention program has 117 enforcement actions to date for 2019. Debbie Becker presented stats that were requested at the November 20th meeting:

- Damages by excavator
- Damages by county
- Damages per thousand locates

7) **Operator Meeting Recap**

The UTC's Annual Operator Meeting took place in February 2020.

Sean Mayo briefed the Committee on the contents of the meeting and showed members the presentation that was given at the meeting.

Adjourn

The meeting adjourned at 11:59 a.m.