Washington State Citizens Committee on Pipeline Safety

Meeting Minutes
Utilities and Transportation Commission
621 Woodland Square Loop SE, Lacey, WA 98503
May 12, 2021

Present members:
Jerome Delvin, Chair
Aaron Losik, Vice-Chair
Greg Baruso
Phillip Lemley
Mike Hatchett
Nick Peelo
Karen Cash

Absent members:
Ron Bowen
Leanne Guier
Andreas Kammereck

Other attendees:
Sean Mayo, UTC Pipeline Safety Program
Joe Subsits, UTC Pipeline Safety Program
Rell Koizumi, UTC Pipeline Safety Program
Joice Hagen, UTC Pipeline Safety Program
Scott Zimmerman, Dept. of Ecology

Agenda Items:

1) Welcome, Meeting Protocols, Introduction and Adoption of March 10, 2021 Minutes
   The meeting was brought to order by Jerome Delvin who welcomed all attendees. In a unanimous vote, the Committee adopted the March 10, 2021 meeting minutes as written.

2) Introduction of New Members
   The Committee welcomed Mike Hatchett from TC Energy. Mike will be filling the Interstate Natural Gas position. Mike works as the Public Affairs Director for the Pacific Region at TC Energy.

3) Next Meeting Dates
   The Committee will have two more virtual meetings in 2021.

4) Department of Ecology
   The document is posted on the CCOPS website and can be found here.

5) Workgroup Update
   The Committee continues to work on its top priorities, including:
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- CCOPS Trifold  
- 811 Promotion  
- MRSC Model Ordinance  
- Safety Indicators/Dashboard

Action Item:  
On June 9th the Committee will review and update the CCOPS Trifold.

6) UTC Update  
Sean Mayo briefed the Committee on the following:

Agency Level:  
- The UTC building remains closed to the public.  
- Nearly all Staff telework and Open Meetings are held virtually.

Program Level:  
- Since the last meeting, Staff has completed 10 scheduled inspections, 97 unannounced inspections, and 50 facility inspections.  
- Responded to 31 incident calls.  
- The UTC has provided technical assistance in a new renewable natural gas (RNG) construction project.

PHMSA Level:  
- PHMSA is engaged in assisting Colonial Pipeline in the recovery of their cyber attack.  
- PHMSA has opportunities for pipeline operators to participate in a Validated Architecture Design Review program (VADR). VADR is the Transportation Security Administration’s voluntary project where an operator can volunteer to have Homeland Security and TSA conduct an assessment to proactively identify and mitigate cyber vulnerabilities on their systems.  
- PHMSA is focusing on climate change and transportation as an engine for equity.

Action Items:  
- Karen Cash will send the Committee information to observe Avista’s NURC GridEx exercise.  
- Rell Koizumi will send a poll for September and December meeting dates.  
- Sean Mayo will reach out to TSA contacts requesting a presentation on cybersecurity issues.

Adjourn  
The meeting adjourned at 10:52 p.m.