

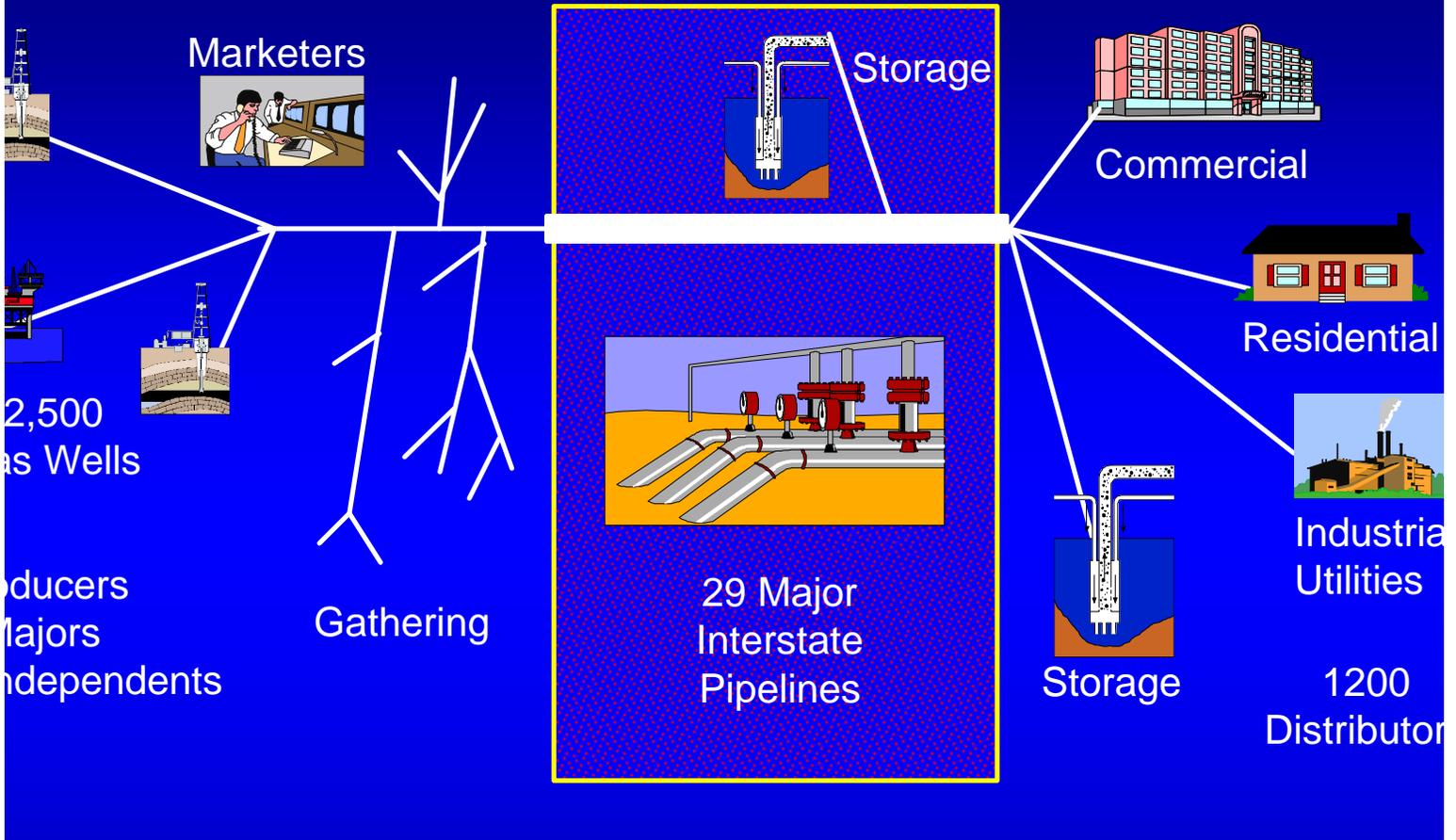
# Enhanced Safety and Environmental Protection for Gas Transmission and Hazardous Liquid Pipelines in High Consequence Areas

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America



# INGAA



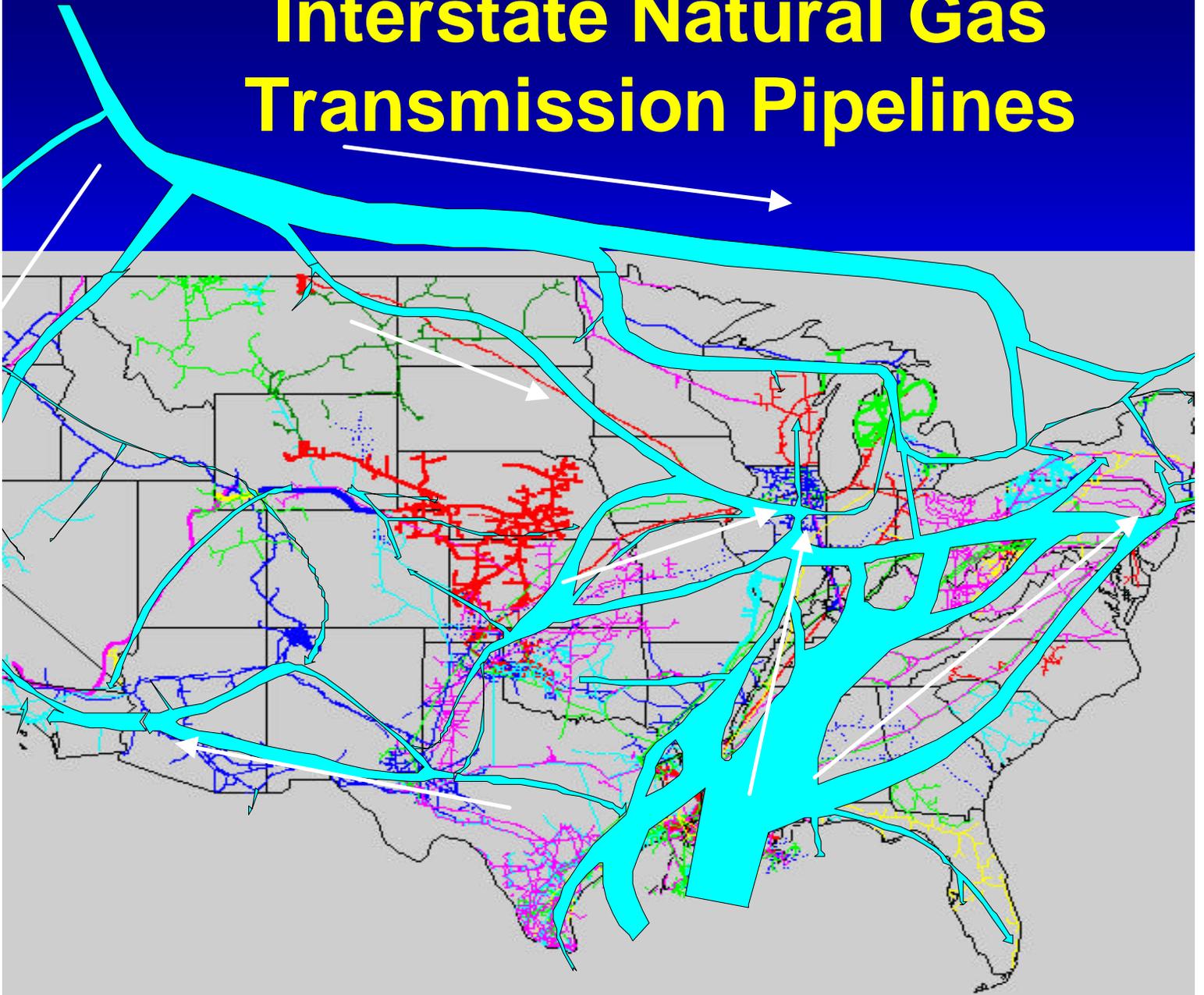
Not Regulated

Regulated by some States

Regulated by DOT

Regulated by State

# Interstate Natural Gas Transmission Pipelines



# Summary

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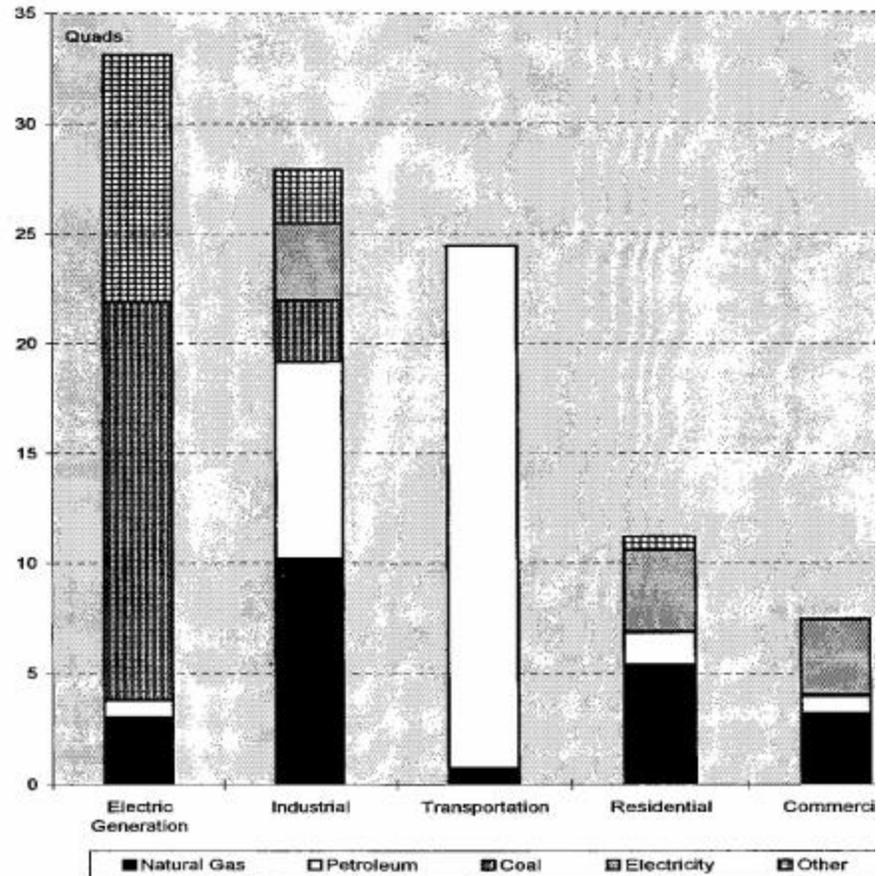
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**Natural Gas Is needed in  
increasing quantities**

# Natural gas is very important for the U.S. in the global economy

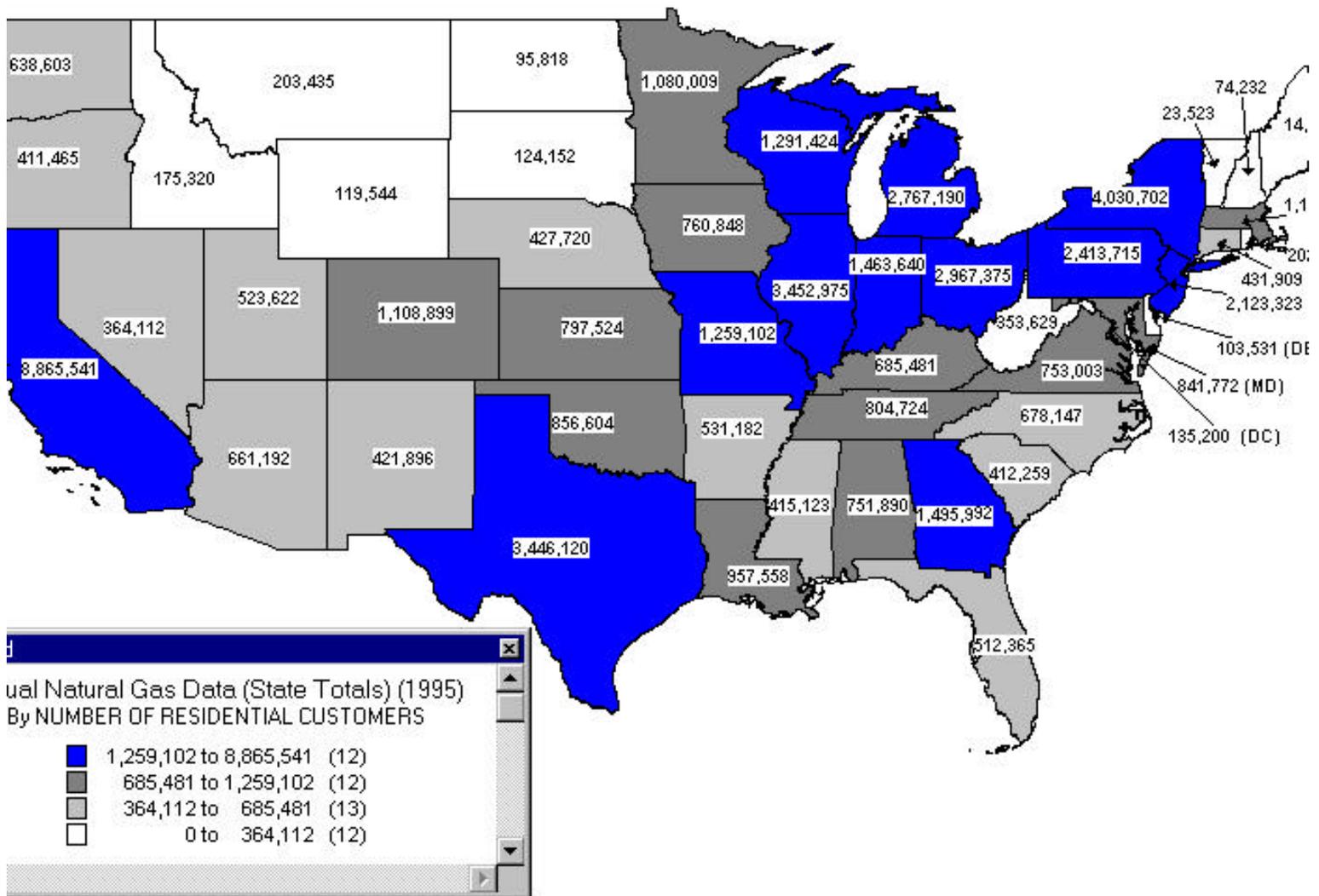
Domestic  
Clean  
Cost Effective  
Versatile

Figure 2-1  
1996 Energy Demand by Sector

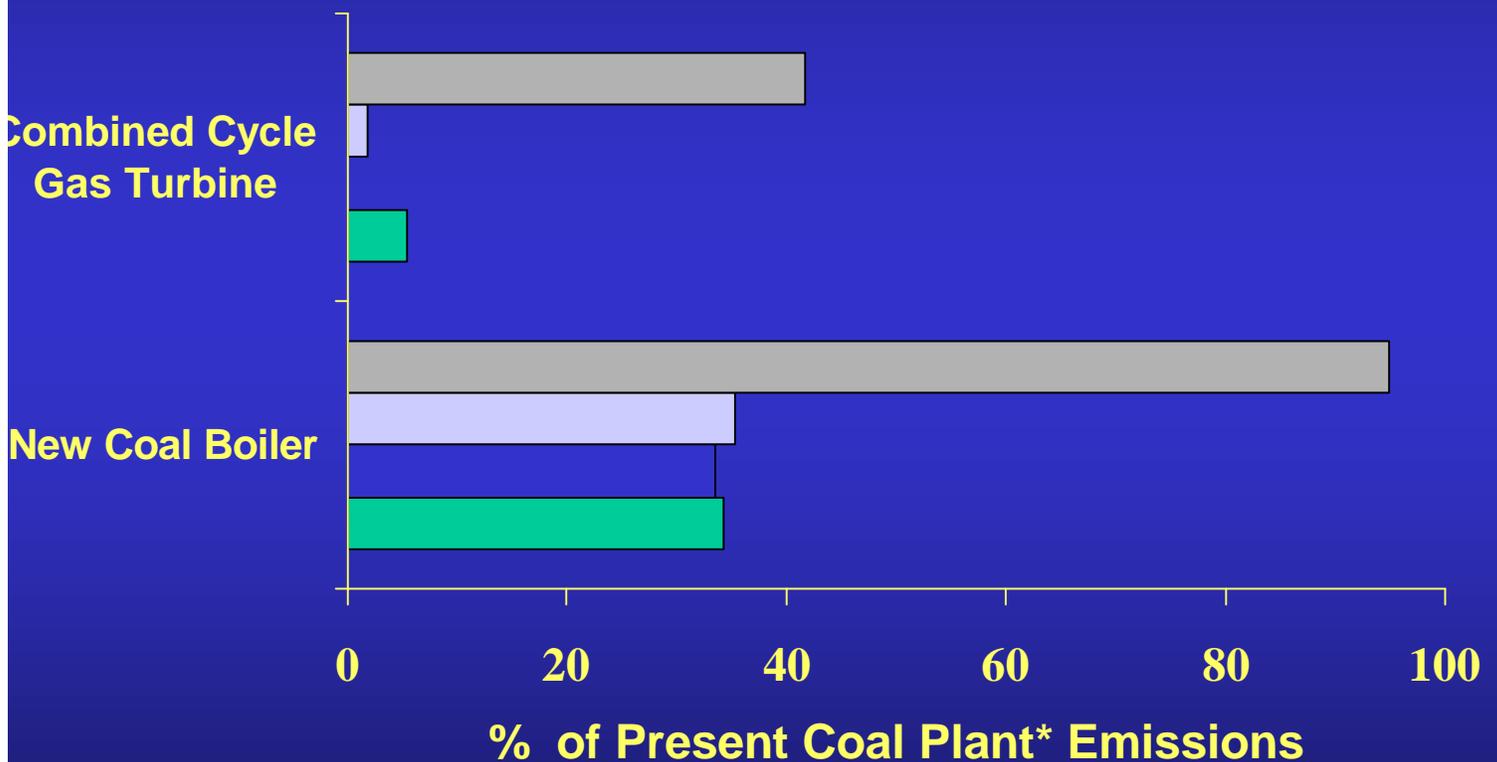


Other includes solar, wood, hydropower, and nuclear.

# Number of Residential Natural Gas Customers in the U. S., 1995



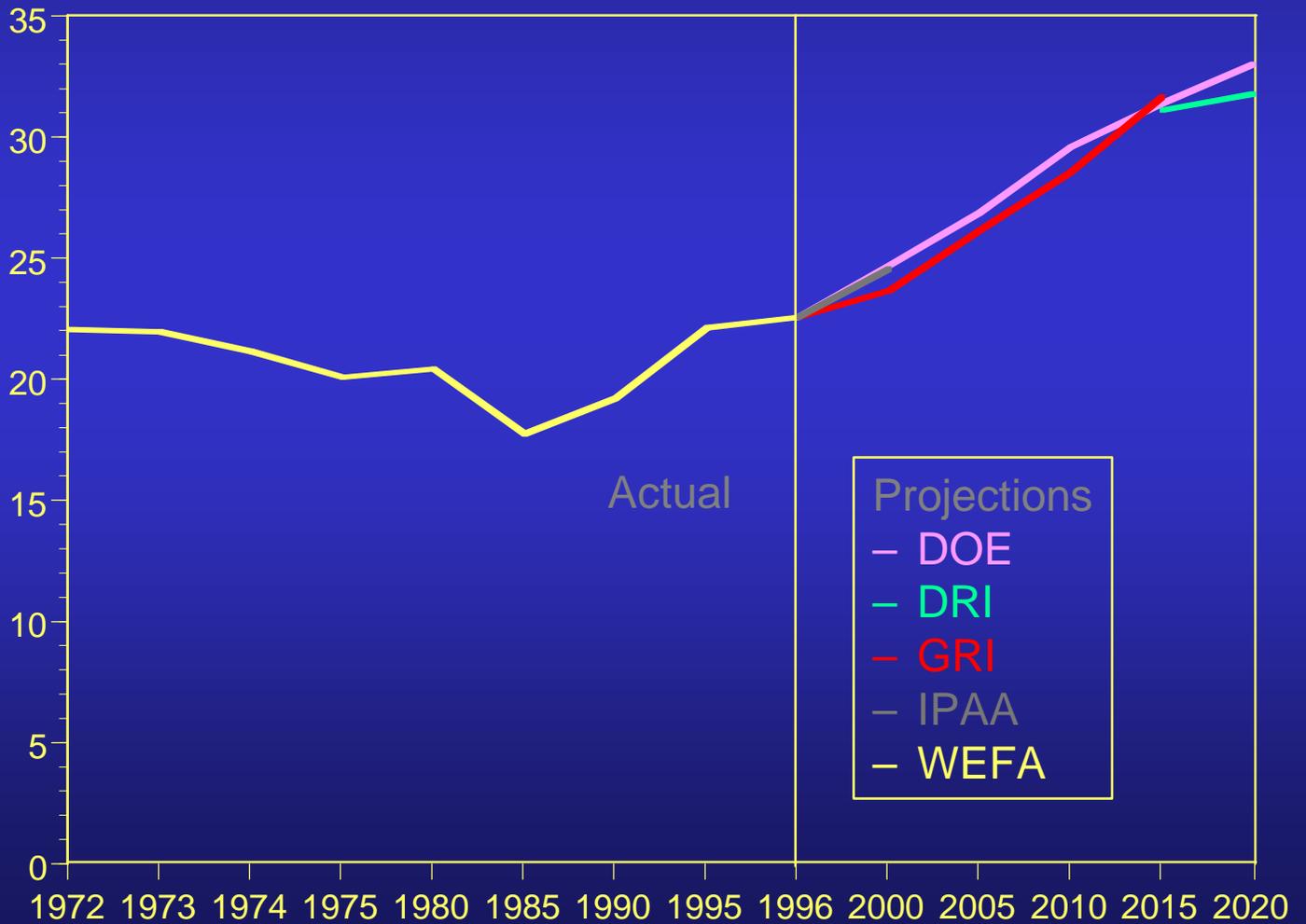
# Natural Gas Results in Significantly Improved Emissions from Electric Generation



\*300 MW Powerplant

# Projections of Natural Gas Demand Through 2020

Tcf



**INGAA members don't rest on their  
excellent safety record**

**INGAA has a Board Level Pipeline  
Safety Task Group**

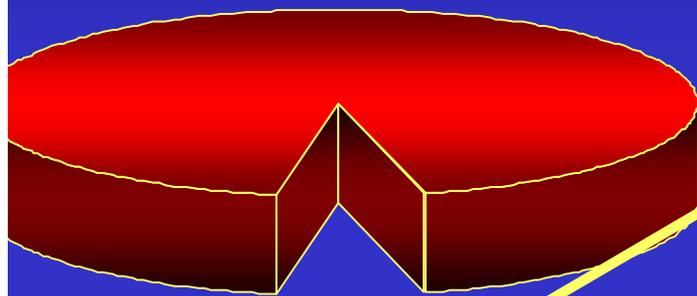
# Consequences of a Natural Gas Transmission Pipeline Failure

- Fatalities and Injuries
  - Contractors
  - Employees
  - Public
- Property Damage
  - Gas Lost
  - Company Facilities
  - Private Property
  - Public Property

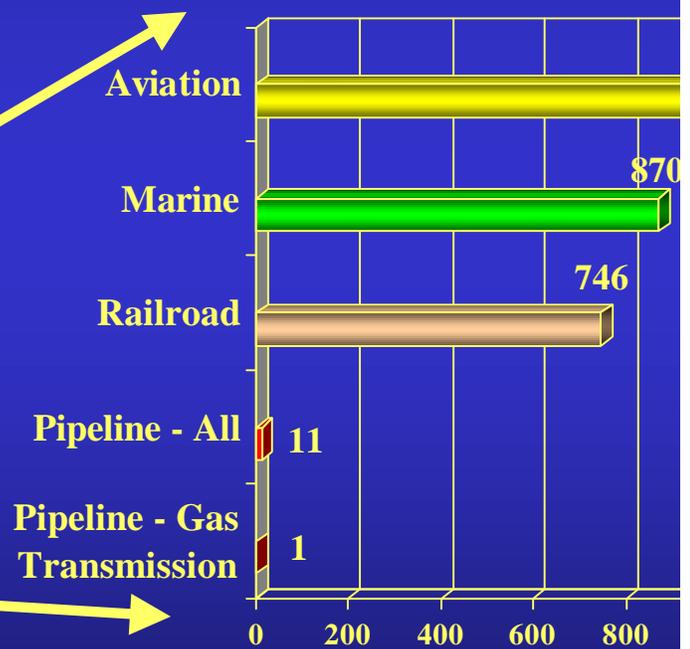
# Transportation-Related Fatalities 1997

Highway - 42,000

94%

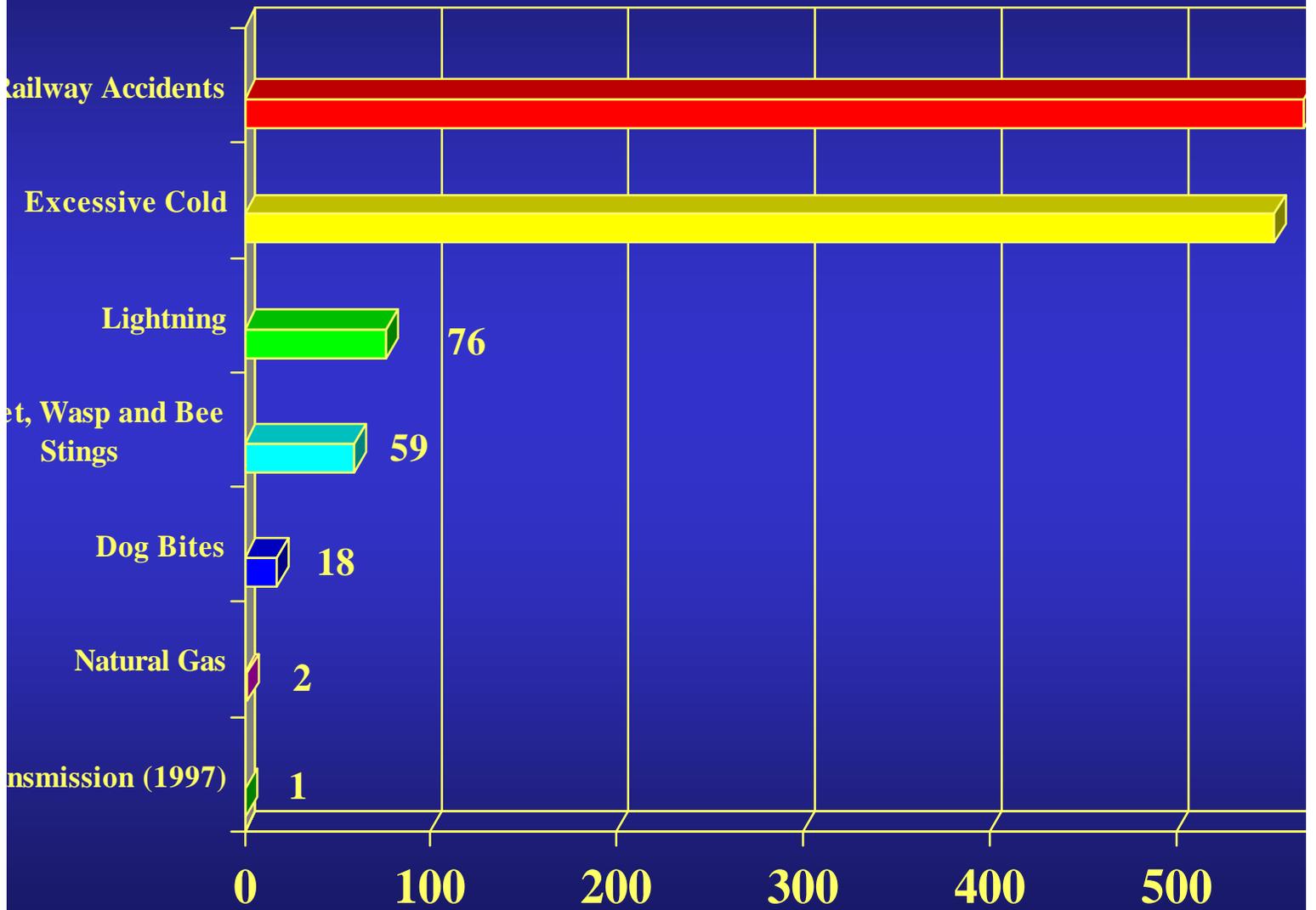


Other - 6%



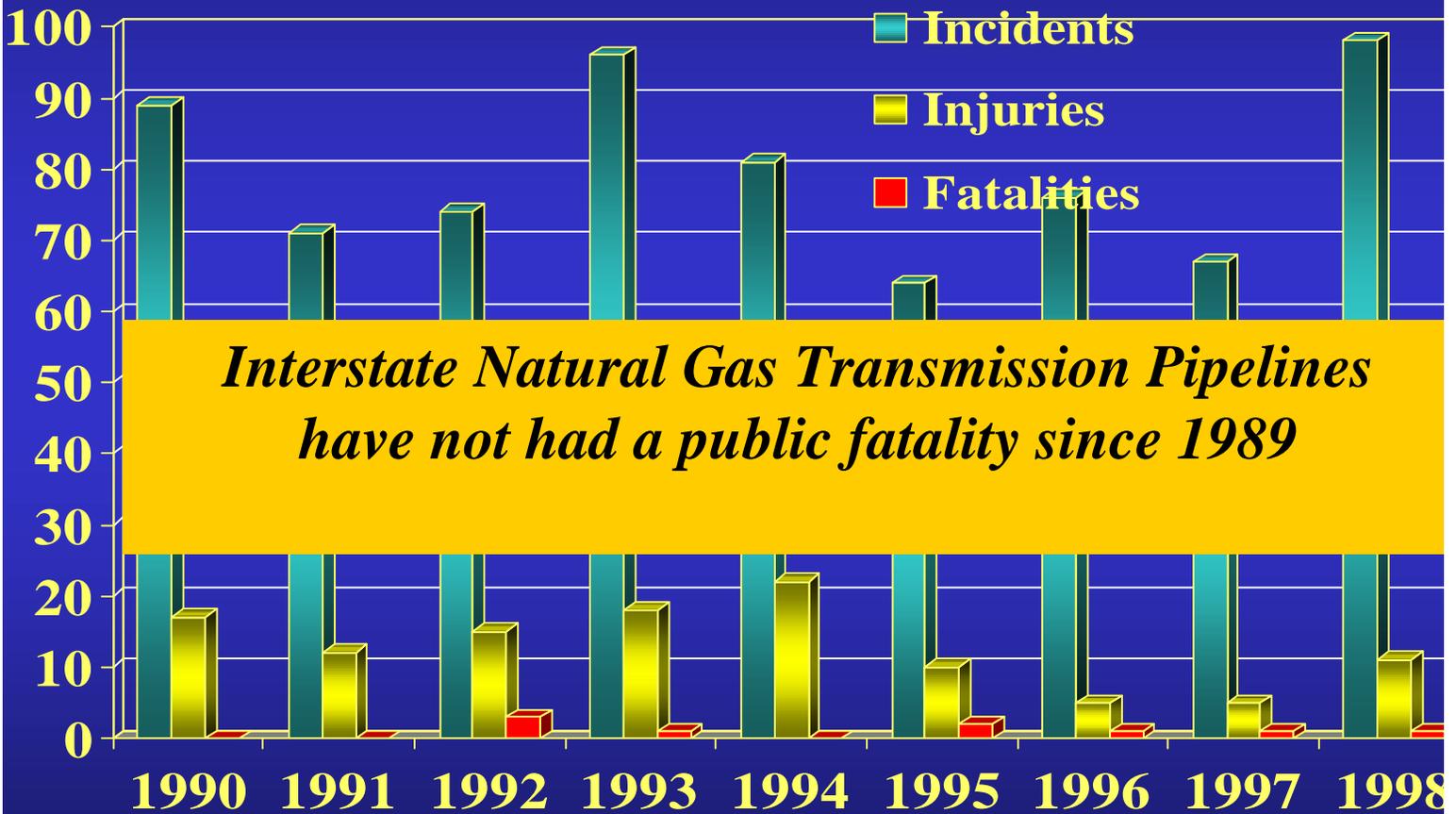
Sources: National Transportation Safety Board  
and the Office of Pipeline Safety, US DOT

# Natural Gas Transmission System Relative Risk Comparison U.S. Fatalities 1995



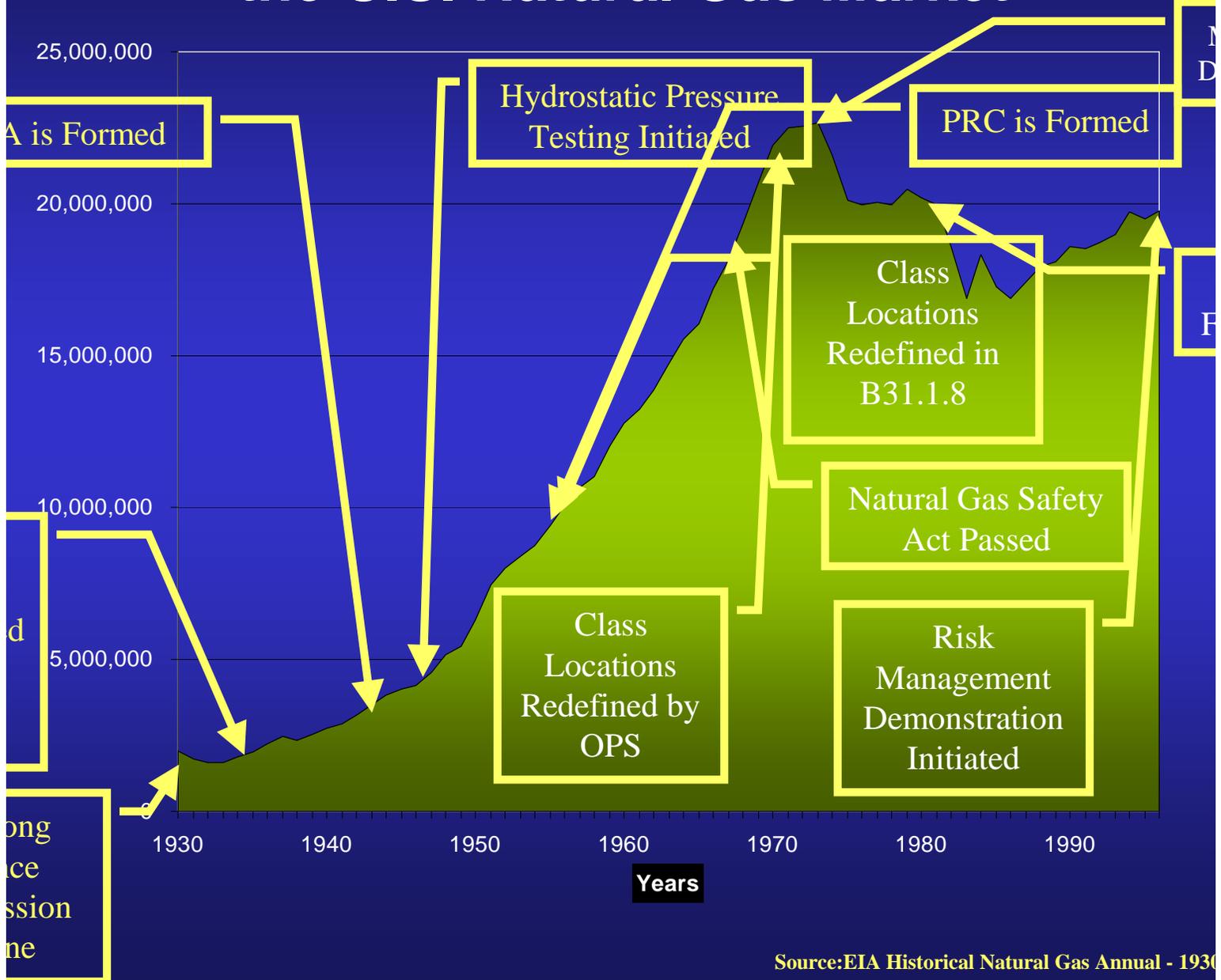
Sources: National Safety Council (1998) and the Office of Pipeline Safety, US DOT

# Natural Gas Transmission Reportable Incident Summary 1990 - 1998



Source: Office of Pipeline Safety, US DOT

# Significant Safety Events During Growth of the U.S. Natural Gas Market



Source: EIA Historical Natural Gas Annual - 1930

# How Do Pipelines Manage Risk?

Reduce the probability a failure will occur

Reduce the consequences of a failure

Focus resources on the highest risk areas

# Identify the Risk Components

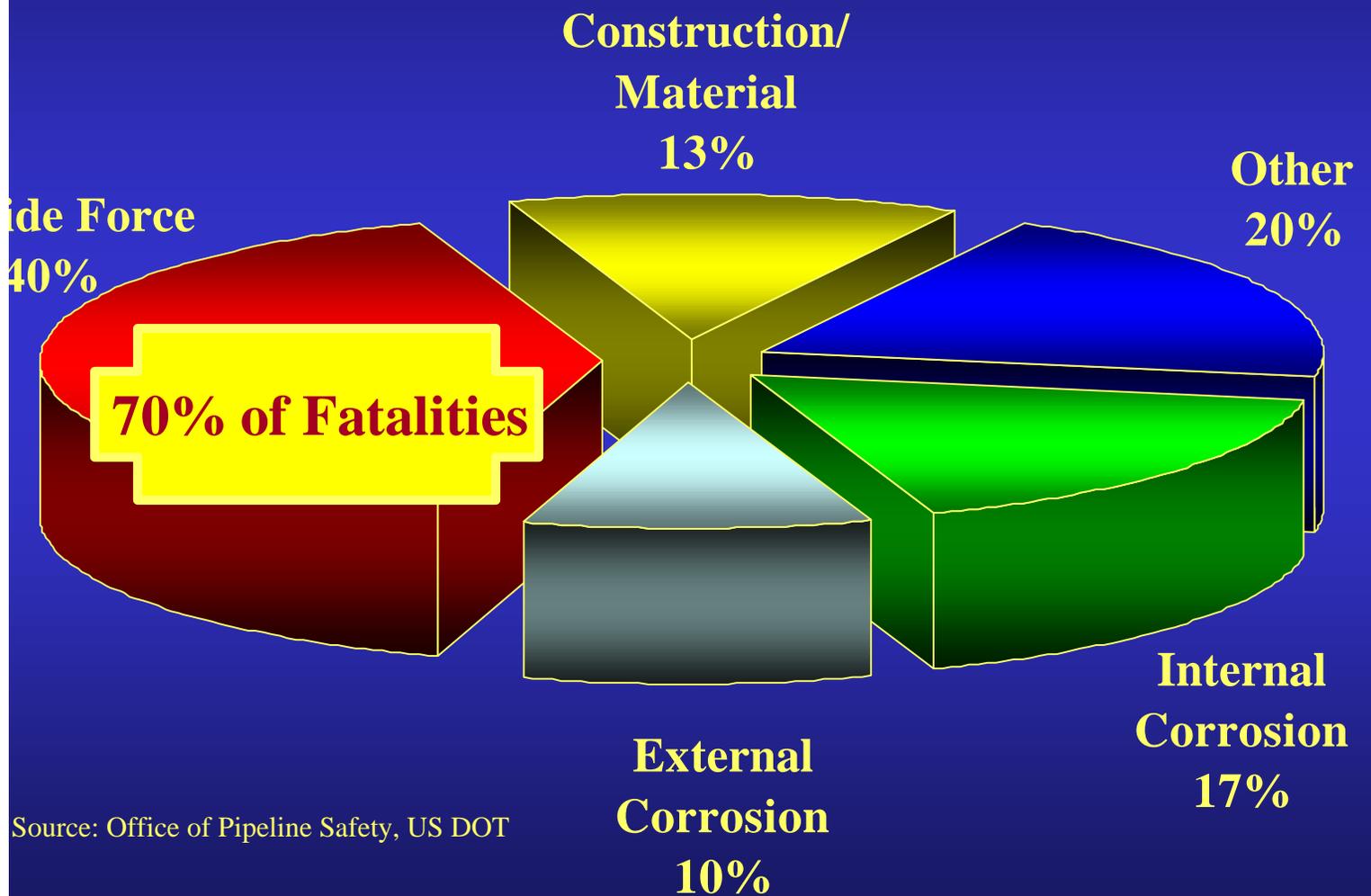
## Probability of an incident occurring

- Outside Force
- Corrosion
- Material failure
- Construction defect
- Equipment Failure
- Human Error

## • Consequences of the incident

- Fatality
- Injury
- Property damage
- Product loss
- Environmental Degradation

# Total Number of Natural Gas Transmission Pipeline Accidents, by Cause 1984- 1997



Source: Office of Pipeline Safety, US DOT

# Methods to Lower Probability of Failure as stated in ANSI B31.8 and then adopted for 49 CFR Part 192

Materials

Pipe Design

Design of Pipeline Components

Welding of Steel in Pipelines

General Construction Requirements for Transmission Lines and Mains

Requirements for Corrosion Control

Test Requirements

Operations

Maintenance

**Methods to Reduce Consequences stated in  
ANSI B31.8 and then adopted for  
49 CFR Part 192**

Procedural manual for operations,  
maintenance, and emergencies

Damage prevention program

Emergency plans

Public education

# Additional Improvements in Safety are Due to Individual Company Practices

Improved Management Processes

Improved O&M Practices

Improved Technology

- Improved Materials
- Corrosion Monitoring Systems
- Geographic Information Systems
- Smart Pigging
- One Call Systems
- Hydrostatic Testing Techniques

**Pipelines and their regulators  
have a risk communication  
problem with the public**

# Target Problem is Risk Communication

## Scientists, Engineers, and Risk Managers

### – Risk

- Frequency of Occurrence
- Severity of the Consequences

## General Public

### – Risk

- Frequency of Occurrence
- Severity of the Consequences

### – Perception

# Perception Weighting

## Unfamiliar Risks

- New vs. Old ; Industrial vs. Natural

## Involuntary Risks

- Choice vs. Mandate

## Risks That Are Unfair

- Equity; Intergenerational

## Risks That Induce Fear

- Memorability; Chronic vs. Catastrophic; Dread

## Relationship Factors

- Trust; Compassion; Value Sharing

**Most of the questions in the meeting notice are answered in present gas pipeline safety regulations**

## Defining and Locating High Consequence Areas

192.609 Change in Class Location

192.611 Confirmation or revision of MAOP

192.613 Continuing Surveillance

192.619 (a) MAOP (determine maximum safe pressure)

192.703 General (Unsafe pipeline must be replaced, repaired, etc.)

192.705 Patrolling

General Pipeline Safety Regulations  
49CFR Part 192

## Identifying Affected Pipeline Segments

192.609 Change in Class Location

192.611 Confirmation or revision of MAOP

192.613 Continuing Surveillance

192.619(a)(4) MAOP (determine maximum safe pressure)

192.703 General (Unsafe pipeline must be replaced, repaired, etc.)

192.705 Patrolling

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## Inspecting and Assessing the Condition of the Affected Segments

192.459 Examination of buried pipeline when exposed

192.477 Internal Corrosion Control Monitoring

192.619 MAOP (see 192.619(a)(4))

192.703 General (Unsafe pipeline)

General Pipeline Safety Regulations  
49CFR Part 192

## Assessing the Need for Additional Preventive or Mitigative Actions

192.459 Examination of buried pipeline when exposed

192.475 Internal corrosion control: General

192.613 Continuing surveillance

192.617 Investigation of failures

192.703 General (Unsafe pipeline must be replaced, repaired, or removed from service)

General Pipeline Safety Regulations  
49CFR Part 192

## Remediating and Repairing the Affected Segments as Necessary

192.485 Remedial Measures: Transmission Lines

192.711 General Requirements for repair procedures

Rule 192.713 Permanent field repair of imperfections and damage

Rule 192.715 Permanent field repair of welds

Rule 192.717 Permanent field repair of leaks

General Pipeline Safety Regulations  
49CFR Part 192

# Implementing and Monitoring Other Cost-Effective Risk Control Activities

192.1 Scope of part

192.605 Procedural manual for operations, maintenance, and emergencies

192.614 Damage prevention program

192.615 Emergency plans

192.616 Public education

49CFR Part 192  
Federal Pipeline Safety Regulations

# Documenting Inspections, Assessments, and Actions

192.491 Corrosion Control Records

192.603 General provisions (G&M records  
requirements)

192.709 Transmission lines: Record keeping

**General Pipeline Safety Regulations**  
**49CFR Part 192**

# Reviewing and Ensuring Compliance

## Federal Interstate Pipeline Inspection Process

- Standard Inspection Protocol
- Corporate Review
- Training at TSI
- Exceptions posted on Internet

## State Intrastate Pipeline Inspection Process

- Available at State Offices

## State Natural Gas Distribution Inspection Process

- Available at State Offices

## Federal Safety Related Condition Reports

# Standard Federal Inspection

Active inspections  
since 1970

Form last modified in  
1996

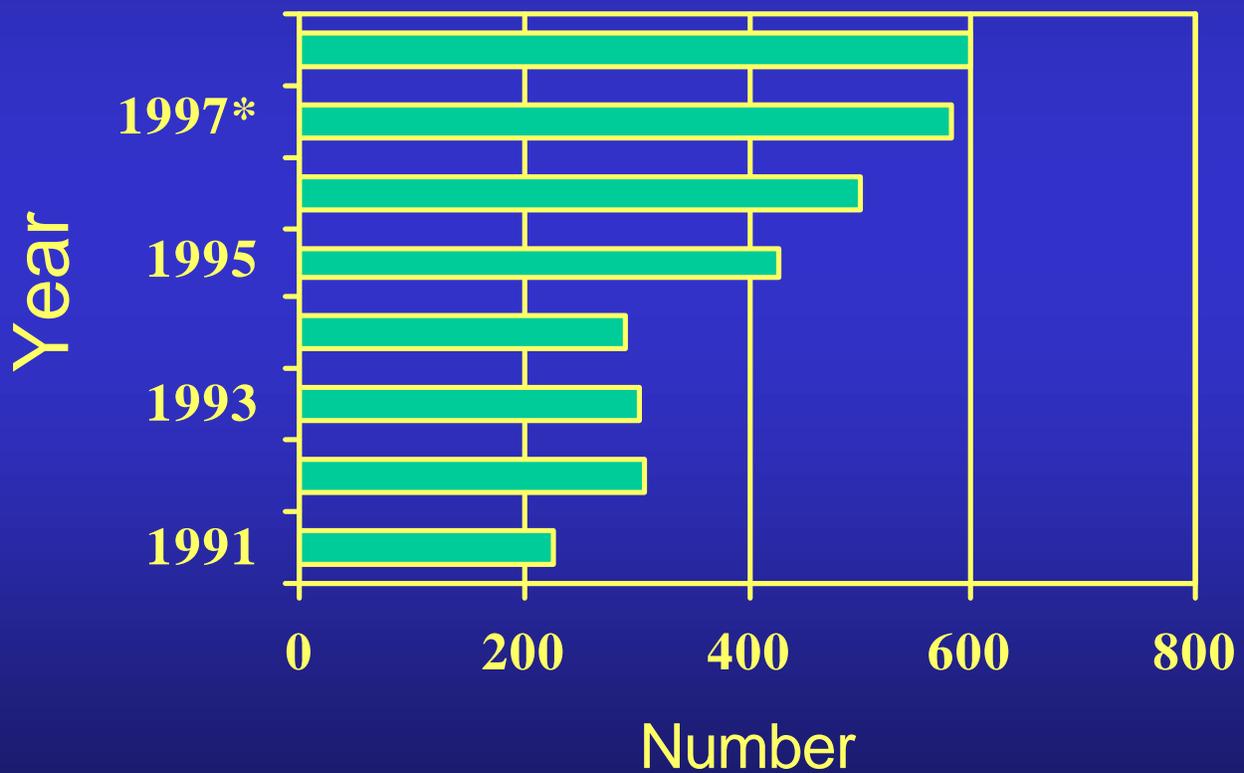
Integrated Corporate  
reviews began in  
1997

## EVALUATION REPORT OF GAS TRANSMISSION PIPELINE

S - Satisfactory U - Unsatisfactory N/A - Not Applicable Unless otherwise noted, all code references are to Part 192. \* indicates by

PART 191	
<b>Reporting Procedures</b>	
.605 (b)(4)	Gathering data for incident reporting.
	.191.3 Telephonically reporting accidents to NRC? (888) 456-8802
	.191.1.5 (a) 30-day follow-up written report? (Form 7100.2)
	.191.1.5 (b) Supplemental report (to 30-day follow up).
.605 (a)	.191.2B Reporting safety-related condition.
.605 (d)	Instructing personnel in operations and maintenance to recognize Safety Related Conditions?
PART 192	
<b>Customer Notification Procedures</b>	
.191(c)	.16 Procedures for notifying all customers by August 14, 1996 or new customers within 90 days of their responsibility for those sections of service lines not maintained by the operator?
<b>Operation &amp; Maintenance</b>	
<b>Normal Operating Procedures</b>	
.605 (a)	.605 (a) Plan reviewed and updated (1 year/15 months)
	* .605 (b)(3) Making construction records, maps, & operating history available to appropriate operating personnel?
	* .605 (b)(5) Start up and shut down for the pipeline to assure operation with the MAOP plus allowable buildup. (See SCADA guidelines.)
	.605 (b)(8) Periodically assessing the work done by operator's personnel to determine the effectiveness and adequacy of the procedures used in normal operation and maintenance and modifying the procedures when deficiencies are found?
	.605 (b)(9) Taking adequate precautions in excavated trenches to protect personnel from the hazard of unsafe accumulation of vapor or gas, and making available when needed at the excavation, emergency rescue equipment, including a breathing apparatus and, a rescue harness and line.
	.605 (b)(10) Routine inspection and testing of pipe-type or bottle-type holders.
<b>Abnormal Operating Procedures</b>	
.605 (a)	.605 (c)(1) Responding to, investigating a correcting the cause of:
	(i) Unintended closure of valves or shut-down?
	(ii) Increase or decrease in pressure or flow rate outside of normal operating limits?
	(iii) Loss of communications?
	(iv) The operation of any safety device?
	(v) Malfunction of a component, deviation from normal operations or personnel error?
	.605 (c)(2) Checking vacancies from normal operation after abnormal operations have ended at sufficient critical locations.
	.605 (c)(3) Notifying the responsible operating personnel when notice of an abnormal operation is received?
	* .605 (c)(4) Periodically reviewing the response of operating personnel to determine the effectiveness of the procedures and taking corrective action where deficiencies are found?
	<b>Change in Class Location Procedures</b>
.605(a)	* .609 Class location study
	* .611 Conformation or revision of MAOP
<b>Continuing Surveillance Procedures</b>	
.613	* .613(a) Including: change in class location, failure; leakage history; corrosion; substantial changes in CP requirements; and unusual operating and maintenance conditions
	.613(b) If a segment of pipeline is in unsatisfactory condition, MAOP is reduced or other action taken.

# Interstate Inspections Have Increased Through Out the Years



Source: Office of Pipeline Safety, US

**Additional safety improvements are not expected to occur with proposed integrity plan review**

# 1998 Accident Statistics of Pipelines

Type of System	Mileage	Number of Incidents	Number of Fatalities
Natural Gas Transmission	326,389	98	1
Natural Gas Distribution	1,100,000	154	16
Hazardous Liquids	157,204	134	1

# Present Population Density Definition

## 5 Class locations.

This section classifies pipeline locations for purposes of this part. The following criteria apply to classifications under this section.

A "class location unit" is an onshore area that extends 200 yards (200 meters) on either side of the centerline of a continuous 1-mile (1.6 kilometers) length of pipeline.

Each separate dwelling unit in a multiple dwelling building is counted as a separate building intended for human occupancy.

## Let's Assume that a Definition of High Consequence Area is...

) A **Class 3 location** is:

(i) Any class location unit that has 46 or more buildings intended for human occupancy; or

(ii) An area where the pipeline lies within 100 yards (91 meters) of either a building or a small, well-defined outside area (such as a playground, recreation area, outdoor theater, or other place of public assembly) that is occupied by 20 or more persons on at least 5 days a week for 10 weeks in any 12-month period. (The days and weeks need not be consecutive.)

) A **Class 4 location** is any class location unit where buildings with four or more stories aboveground are prevalent.

## Use Existing Performance Measures: Reportable Incidents

### Fatality

- Public, Contractor, Employee

### Injury

- Public, Contractor, Employee

### Property Damage > \$50k

- Public, Company, Gas Lost

### Other

- Public Awareness, Unique Event

# Failures in the Assumed High Consequence Areas (1993-1998)

Incidents reported

Incorrectly classified(M&R & Compressor)

-

Incidents left

Third party damage incidents

-

Remaining incidents would not be found by pigging or hydrostatic pressure testing

## Consequences in Assumed High Consequence Areas

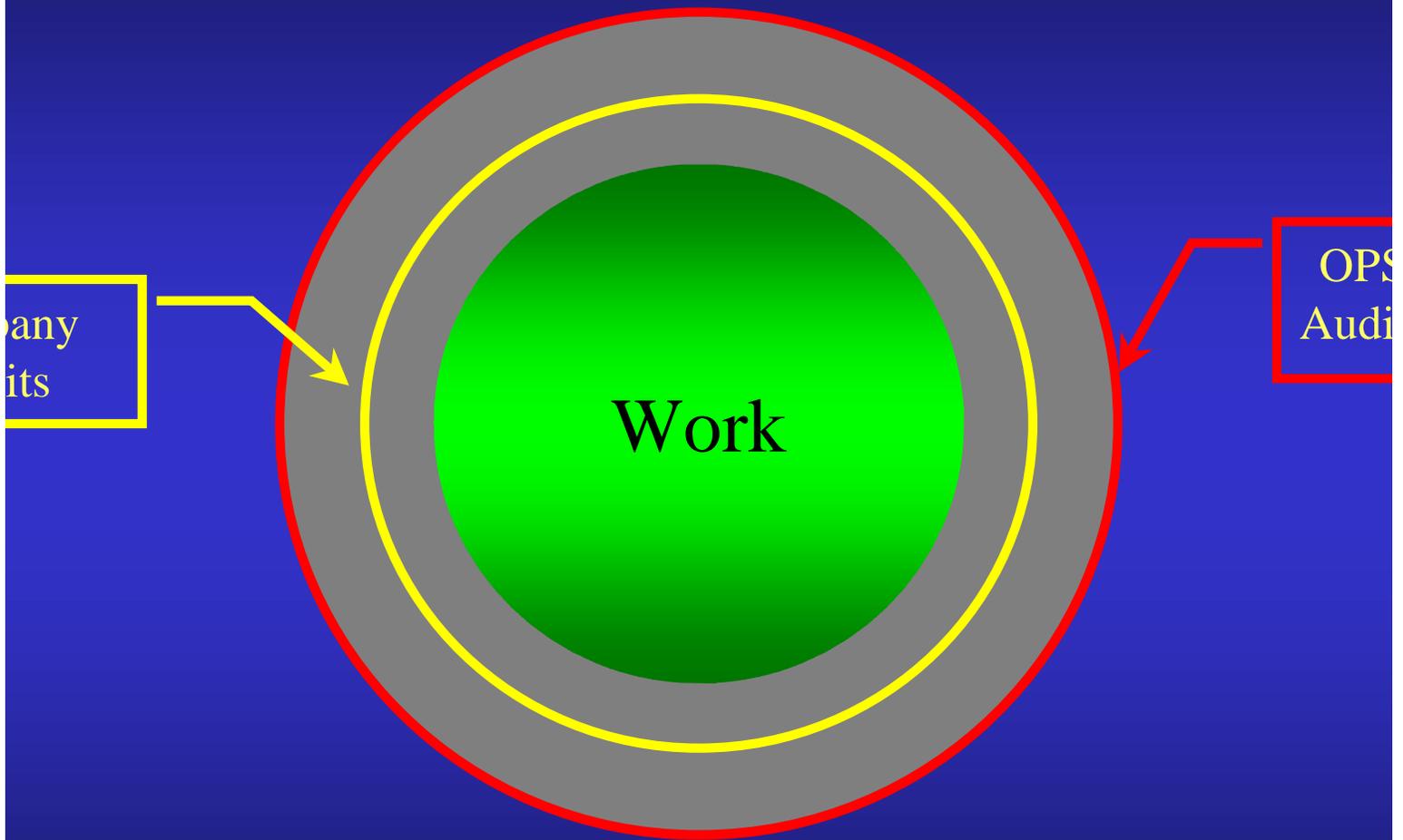
No public fatalities on Interstate Natural Gas Transmission Pipelines in assumed high consequence areas since 1989

- Difference is contractors and employees

Public property damage is a fraction of reported value.

- For example, one INGAA company reported \$1,283,000 in property damages reported resulted in only \$38,000 of actual damage to public property
- Difference is company repair cost and gas lost

# Quality Control and Integrity Assurance



**Current initiatives to share additional information have not yet realized their potential**

**NGAA Members are partners in the following OPS initiatives.**

Damage Prevention

Risk Management Demonstration

High Impact Inspections

Safety Data Initiative

Joint Research Initiative

Operator Qualification

System Integrity Inspection

National Mapping Initiative

# Damage Prevention

## Public Education Campaign

- Pilot Test Successful
- Training and Integration Proceeding

## Common Ground

- Report Published
- Path Forward is progressing



# Risk Management Demonstration Status

Interstate Pipelines  
Investigating structured  
and formalized risk  
management programs  
Identify specific risks  
Allocate resources to most  
effective activities  
Natural Gas Pipeline  
projects Applied  
Natural Gas Pipeline  
pipeline Accepted

Pipeline Risk Management Information System

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 **RISK MANAGEMENT DEMONSTRATION PROGRAM**

**DEMONSTRATION PROJECTS**

<a href="#">CNG Transmission</a>	<a href="#">Kinder Morgan, Inc. (f</a>
<a href="#">Chevron Pipe Line</a>	<a href="#">KN/NGPL)</a>
<a href="#">Columbia Gas</a>	<a href="#">Lakehead Pipe Line</a>
<a href="#">Duke Energy Corporation</a>	<a href="#">Mobil Pipe Line</a>
<a href="#">Enron</a>	<a href="#">Northwest Pipeline</a>
<a href="#">Equilon Pipeline (formerly Shell)</a>	<a href="#">Phillips Pipe Line</a>
	<a href="#">Tennessee Gas</a>

[Geographic View by Company \[graphical\]](#)  
[Geographic Breakdown \[text\]](#)

**Key Documents**  
["Risk Management Program Standard" \(01/17/1997\)](#)

[Explorer](#) [OP SIS](#) [Feedback](#) [Printable](#)

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# High Impact Inspections

## Integrity Questions

- System Wide
- Pigging

## Best Practice Issues

- Operator Fatigue
- Y2K
- Process Flow

Interstate gas  
transmission pipelines  
companies inspected

Person(s) Interviewed: \_\_\_\_\_  
Comments: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

192.465(d)  
34) Under what conditions does the operator take prompt remedial action?  
HQ \_\_\_ Field \_\_\_ Satisfactory \_\_\_ Needs Improvement \_\_\_ NA/NC \_\_\_

34R) Associated Records?  
HQ \_\_\_ Field \_\_\_ Satisfactory \_\_\_ Needs Improvement \_\_\_ NA/NC \_\_\_

Overall Quality of Program: Satisfactory \_\_\_ Needs Improvement \_\_\_ NA/NC \_\_\_

Identify source of information:

O&M Manual Page #s \_\_\_\_\_

Record Identification (date, etc.) \_\_\_\_\_

Field Location(s) (MP or Station #) \_\_\_\_\_

Person(s) Interviewed: \_\_\_\_\_  
Comments: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Best Practice Issue  
35) What factors are considered in determining the need for and timing of pigging and close interval surveys?

HQ \_\_\_ Field \_\_\_ Satisfactory \_\_\_ Needs Improvement \_\_\_ NA/NC \_\_\_

35R) Associated Records?  
HQ \_\_\_ Field \_\_\_ Satisfactory \_\_\_ Needs Improvement \_\_\_ NA/NC \_\_\_

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# Pipeline Safety Data Analysis

Augment present OPS  
incident data

Based on PRCI data  
analysis (1984-1997)

Eliminates “other”  
category

## **Office of Pipeline Safety** Research & Special Programs Administration

### **Pipeline Safety Data Analysis**

#### ▶ Average and Summary Statistics

- [Liquid Accident Yearly Summaries \(1986-1999\)](#)
- [Natural Gas Incident Yearly Summaries for Distribution Operato](#)
- [Natural Gas Incident Yearly Summaries for Transmission Opera](#)
- [Liquid Pipeline Operator Total National Mileage](#)

#### ▶ 1998 Statistics

- [Liquid Pipeline Accident Summary by Cause](#)
- [Liquid Pipeline Accident Summary by Commodity](#)
- [Natural Gas Transmission Incident Summary by Cause](#)
- [Natural Gas Distribution Incident Summary by Cause](#)

# Joint Research Initiative

## Memorandum of Understanding

Focus to develop pig to detect and characterize mechanical damage

Complements present GRI and PRCI research @ \$12M/yr

Report No. DTRS56-96-C-0010  
Task 1 and 2 Final Report

[Click here for](#)

### In-Line Inspection Technologies for Mechanical Damage in Pipelines - Final Report on Tasks 1 and 2

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# System Integrity Inspection (SII)

Internal Audit  
Program Review  
Integrity Program  
Review  
Information and  
Documentation  
Sharing with OPS  
Interstate Pipeline  
Applied

**RSPA Proposes Pipeline Systems Integrity Pilot Program;**  
**WASHINGTON, Dec. 21 /PRNewswire:**

**Decem**

-- The U.S. Department of Transportation's Research and Special Programs Administration (RSPA) today proposed a new public-private partnership pilot program to improve pipeline safety. The System Integrity Inspection program (SII) will enhance current inspection practices by focusing on a broad range of pipeline integrity issues instead of conducting inspections only from a regulatory and compliance perspective.

"This proposal highlights the federal government's commitment to improving pipeline safety," said RSPA Administrator Kelley S. Coyner. "By teaming-up with pipeline operators to create a smarter approach to assuring the public that pipeline systems in their communities are operating as safely as possible."

RSPA's review of current national pipeline inspection programs concluded that the current approach to developing a federal government-private partnership for effectively requiring pipeline operators address potential risks posed by pipelines provides greater levels of environmental protection and pipeline service reliability.

Five interstate pipeline operators with good performance records will be considered for participation in the SII program. RSPA invites eligible pipeline operators to submit letters of application for the pilot program.

**OPS Launches System Integrity Inspection Pilot:**

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The Office of Pipeline Safety (OPS) has issued a request for pipeline operators to participate in the System Integrity Inspection (SII) Pilot Program. The SII Pilot Program is designed to enhance the inspection practices currently in use by focusing on a broad set of pipeline integrity issues instead of conducting inspections only from a regulatory compliance perspective. OPS invites eligible pipeline operators to submit a Letter of Application expressing interest in SII Pilot Program participation. Letters will be accepted until December 12, 1999.

# National Pipeline Mapping Initiative

Interstate pipelines

Standardized mapping format

Integrates with government mapping data

- Federal
- State
- Local

National Repository opened July



## NATIONAL PIPELINE MAPPING SYSTEM



As a joint government-industry effort between the U.S. Department of Transportation's (U.S. DOT) Office of Pipeline Safety (OPS), other federal and state agencies, and the pipeline industry, the National Pipeline Mapping System (NPM) is a full-featured geographic information system (GIS) database that contains the locations and selected attributes of natural gas transmission lines, hazardous liquid trunklines, and liquefied natural gas (LNG) facilities operating in onshore and offshore areas of the United States.

This website serves to provide timely and up-to-date information to the public, and personnel from government and industry. Areas within this website can be accessed using navigation tools on the left.

**One thing learned from these initiatives is there is no “silver bullet”**



# Example Technology: Smart Pigging

## Commercially Available Defect Characterization

- Dents
- General Corrosion
- Not Seams, SCC, Gouges, Material Defects

## Snapshot of present conditions

- Linear deterioration vs. random events
- Subject to interpretation and reinterpretation

## Limited Flexibility

- 25 of 53 segments need to be modified (994 miles)

## Macro Solution for Micro Problem

- 492 Miles of Class 3&4; 2,915 miles must be pigged
- One Metro area installation cost is \$60–80 Million

**Additional regulations must pass risk assessment / cost benefit tests to avoid diffusing resources**

# Risk Assessment / Cost Benefit

Identify the Target Problem

- Public Safety
- Environment
- Public

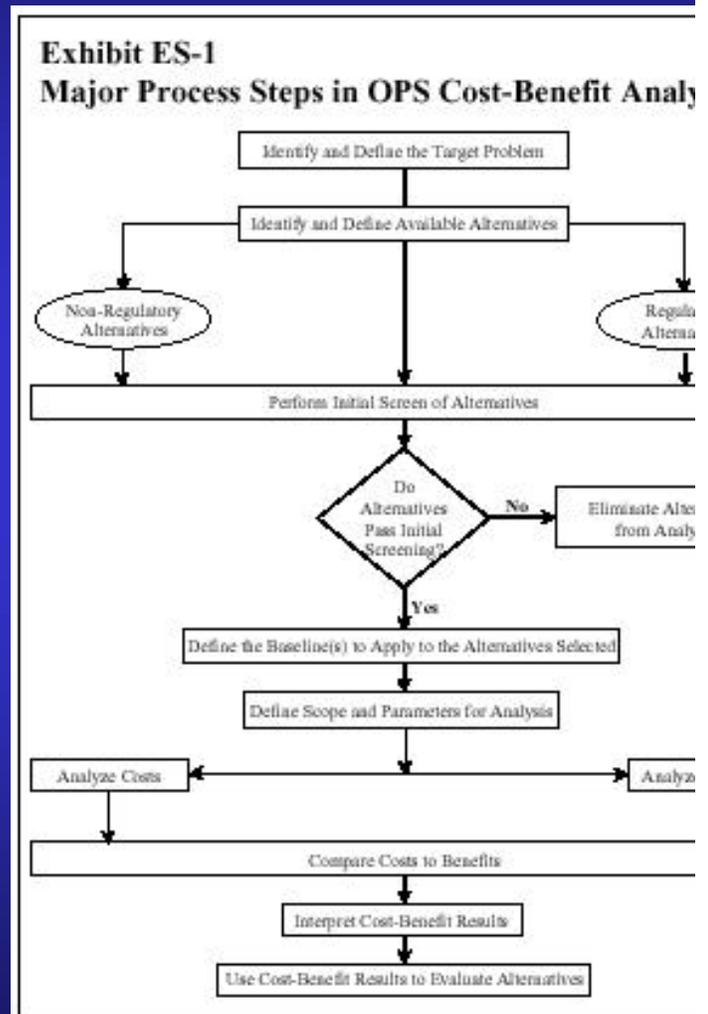
Identify Alternatives

- Regulatory
- Voluntary

Analyze Costs

Analyze Benefits

Make Recommendations



# Conclusions

natural gas is needed in increasing quantity

GAA member companies don't rest on their excellent safety record

regulators have a risk communications problem with the public

most of the questions in the meeting notice are answered in pre-emptive pipeline safety regulations

additional safety improvements are not expected to occur with proposed integrity plan review

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# Recommendations

DPS and state pipeline safety agencies should communicate to the public their present inspection process as well as the new initiative

The present joint initiatives should be completed, documented and successes integrated into the regulatory structure

A joint public safety education effort should be established