

2011 Western Regional Gas Conference

August 23 & 24, 2011
 Tempe Mission Palms Hotel – Tempe, Arizona

Monday, August 22, 2011	Tuesday, August 23, 2011	Wednesday, August 24, 2011	
<p>Web site: www.westernregionalgas.org</p>	<p>7:30 AM – 8:00 AM Registration & Vendor Exhibits 8:00 AM – 8:15 AM Welcome! Robert Clarillos – Southwest Gas Corporation (Palm Ballroom)</p>	<p>8:00 AM – 8:15 AM Wake-Up Session Vendor Exhibit Area</p>	
	<p>8:15 AM – 9:00 AM Key Note Address: Adapting to the Regulatory Effects of Recent Pipeline Incidents Linda Daugherty - Deputy Associate Administrator PHMSA/Office of Pipeline Safety (Palm Ballroom)</p>	<p>8:15 AM – 9:00 AM Control Room Management – Results and Insights from the 2011 Pilot Program Sessions Byron Coy – Director, Eastern Regional Office, PHMSA (Palm Ballroom) System Modeling 101 – Using Sound Modeling for Managing System Growth & Emergencies Brad Bean – Bradly B. Bean, PE (Abbey Room South)</p>	<p>Please take time to visit with our Vendor supporters and network with your colleagues!</p>
		<p>9:00 AM – 9:15 AM Break</p>	
<p>3:00 PM Hotel Check-In Available Tempe Mission Palms Hotel 60 E. Fifth Street Tempe, Arizona 85281 Phone: (480) 894-1400 Conference Registration The Registration Desk is located in the Conference Center, Palm Ballroom Foyer</p>	<p>9:00 AM – 9:45 AM Pipeline Safety Regulatory Updates and Advisories – NPRM & Final Rule Activity John West – PHMSA/Training & Qualification (Palm Ballroom) Innovative Tools for Gas Field Operations Bruce K. Campbell – Campbell Consulting (Abbey Room South) CGA Program Updates – 811, Best Practices and CGA Communication Plan Updates Khrysanne Kerr – Common Ground Alliance (Xavier Room)</p>	<p>9:15 AM – 10:00 AM DIMP – Modifications to SHRIMP as a Result of the NAPSR/PHMSA Pilot Audits John Erickson – American Public Gas Association (Palm Ballroom) In Ground Corrosion Coupons: Background and Multiple Uses John Cole – Mesa Products (Abbey Room South) Integrity Management: Using the Explorer Robot for Smaller Diameter Unpiggable Pipelines Rod Lee – Pipetel Technologies, Inc. (Xavier Room)</p>	

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	9:45 AM – 10:15 AM Break	10:00 AM – 10:15 AM Break – Vendor Exhibits	
2:00 PM - 5:00 PM Vendor Display Set-Up (Palm Ballroom West) Conference Registration Continues	10:15 AM – 11:00 AM Investigating What Went Wrong – Natural Gas Incident Investigation Techniques Leo Quezada/Brian Carmichael – Southwest Gas Corp. (Palm Ballroom) Customer Call Centers – Effective Handling of Emergency Calls/Dealing with Remote Areas Ron Six – Aegis Loss Control (Abbey Room South) The Power of Optical Gas Imaging for Compliance with Sub-Part W (Greenhouse Gas Reporting) Rob Raymer – FLIR Commercial Systems (Xavier Room)	10:15 AM – 11:00 AM Public Awareness Programs – How Enforcement Guidelines are Affecting Operators Tom Finch, PHMSA Western Region CATS Manager (Palm Ballroom) Leak Investigation – Table Top Exercises Ron Six – Aegis Loss Control (Abbey Room South) New Technology Showcase: Making Plastic Gas Pipe Locatable w/o Using Tracer Wire Corey Willson – 3M Corporation (Xavier Room)	
	11:00 AM – 11:15 AM Break – Vendor Exhibits	11:00 AM – 11:15 AM Break	
	11:15 AM – 12:00 PM Effective Emergency Management during Natural Disasters – The Monument Fire Dave Huish – Southwest Gas Corporation (Palm Ballroom) MAOP Process Management Chris Foley – RCP, Inc. (Abbey Room South) Technology Showcase: New, Durable Marking Technologies (includes demo) Craig Taylor – Unimark Systems (Xavier Room)	11:15 AM – 12:00 PM Control Room Management Pilot Audit Results; City of Mesa and Southern Natural Gas Lyndon Boltz, City of Mesa; Daron Moore, El Paso Corporation (Panel Discussion) (Palm Ballroom) Pipeline Hydrotesting: Structuring Hydrostatic Tests for Maximum Effectiveness Doug Crabtree – TD Williamson Co. (Abbey Room South) Technology Showcase: Ultra-Trac Metallic Joint Locator Jay Lippert – Sensit Technologies (Xavier Room)	Please take time to visit with our Vendor supporters and network with your colleagues!
	12:00 PM – 1:30 PM Lunch Break	12:00 PM – 1:30 PM Lunch Break	
	1:30 PM – 2:15 PM Operator Qualification – Effective Evaluations and Re-Training; Computer Based Evaluations Jeff Critchfield – Energy World Net (Palm Ballroom) Joint Trench Issues – Protecting Gas Pipelines and Electric Facilities –When Ground Faults Occur Michael Dyer – Salt River Project (Abbey Room South) Emergency Response and Damage Prevention for Pipeline Operations – New Liaison Programs Steve Roberts – Paradigm Liaison Services (Xavier Room)	1:30 PM – 2:15 PM Winter Preparedness Planning – Anticipating and Preparing for Natural Gas Supply Issues Dennis Holden – Southwest Gas Corp. (Palm Ballroom) Advanced Line Locating Techniques – Ensuring Better Accuracy by Understanding Your Equipment Paul Wehnert – Heath Consultants (Abbey Room South) Viscous-Elastic Coatings – Casing Solutions John Glass – Amcorr Products & Services (Xavier Room)	Vendor exhibits can begin break down after lunch on Wednesday

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	<p>2:15 – 2:30 PM Break 2:30 – 3:15 PM</p> <p>Operator Qualification – B31Q Committee Updates Mike Gruenberg – Southwest Gas Corporation (Palm Ballroom)</p> <p>Pipeline Emergency Training for Firefighters – Overview of 2nd Edition and Web Site (Session 1 of 2) Mike Callan – National Association of State Fire Marshals (NASFM) (Abbey Room South)</p> <p>New Technology Showcase: Remote Methane Leak Detection for Difficult Leak Survey Conditions Paul Wehnert – Heath Consultants (Xavier Room)</p>	<p>2:15 PM – Raffle 2:15 PM</p> <p>Conference Sessions Adjourn</p> <p><u>Please join us for the Grand Prize Raffle at 2:15 PM in the Palm Ballroom.</u></p> <p>Grand Prize: Name Brand Laptop Computer</p>	
	<p>3:15 – 3:45 PM Break – Vendor Exhibits 3:45 – 4:30 PM</p> <p>Western Region Mutual Assistance Agreements – Preparing in Advance for OQ Issues Erich Trombley – Southwest Gas Corporation (Palm Ballroom)</p> <p>Pipeline Emergency Training for Firefighters – Additional Resources and Information for Operators (Session 2 of 2) Mike Callan – National Association of State Fire Marshals (NASFM) (Abbey Room South)</p>		
	<p>4:30 PM – 6:00 PM</p> <p>Get Acquainted Session – Light fare and Beverages Included!</p> <p>Come and join our Raffle, get to know the vendors, and win some great prizes!</p> <p>(Vendor Exhibit Area – Palm Ballroom)</p>		