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Making Systems Safer

About the SIF



- 501(c)3 educational foundation – est. 2004
- Partially funded by Cooperative Agreement with U.S. Department of Transportation, Pipeline and Hazardous Materials Safety Administration (PHMSA)
- Works closely with federal, state and industry regulatory agencies and experts

About the SIF



- Independent of APGA
- Assist small operators to:
 - operate safe gas distribution systems
 - meet compliance requirements
- “Small operators” include—
 - Small utilities
 - Master meter, and
 - Propane piping systems

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What I'll Talk About Today



- ❑ Operation Qualification
- ❑ O & M
Plans/Procedures
- ❑ SHRIMP
- ❑ Compliance Training
- ❑ Drug and Alcohol Plans
- ❑ Smart Tablet
Applications
- ❑ PHMSA Guidance
Documents

Operator Qualification



- ASME B31Q Covered tasks
- Written and Performance Testing
- Integrates with currently available OQ material from multiple providers
- Training consistent with OQ program and O&M manual

OQ Evaluations



- Evaluations offered in ~63 covered tasks
- Instructor led sessions held locally
- Material available for systems to use
- Target small utilities and master meters
- ~4000 people qualified-to-date
- Sessions scheduled across the country

SIF Covered Tasks KSA



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- B31Q Covered Tasks
- Industry Wide SME Team
- Including State Program Managers
- Unique to SIF

Task 1261 Walking Gas Leakage Survey

From ASME B31Q:

Includes conducting a walking gas leak survey utilizing gas detection survey equipment, documentation, and reporting an emergency condition.

- (1) Identify requirements
- (2) Perform test equipment check
- (3) Perform survey
- (4) Recognize and react to Abnormal Operating Conditions
- (5) Complete necessary documentation

Knowledge, skills, abilities and abnormal operating conditions for this task:

Knowledge of the properties of gas and other hydrocarbons

Knowledge of ignition sources

Knowledge of the use and care of personal protective equipment

Knowledge of gas migration

Knowledge of documentation and requirements for reporting an emergency condition

Knowledge to recognize the presence of other underground utilities

Knowledge of leak classification criteria

Knowledge of leak detection equipment used including calibration and maintenance

Knowledge and skills to perform a gas leak survey to include understanding usage of leak detection equipment, gas in sewer, gas in duct and pinpointing

Knowledge of pipeline location and marking requirement

Knowledge of make safe procedures

Knowledge of visual leak indicators

Ability to use leak detection equipment

Ability to conduct a barhole leak investigation

Ability to conduct a leakage survey utilizing available openings and pinpoint leak sources

Ability to read gas system pipeline drawings and maps

Ability to recognize and react to the following abnormal operating conditions:

Flammable gas atmosphere

Blowing/escaping/grade one leak

Fire on a pipeline

Inoperability/failure of a pipeline component

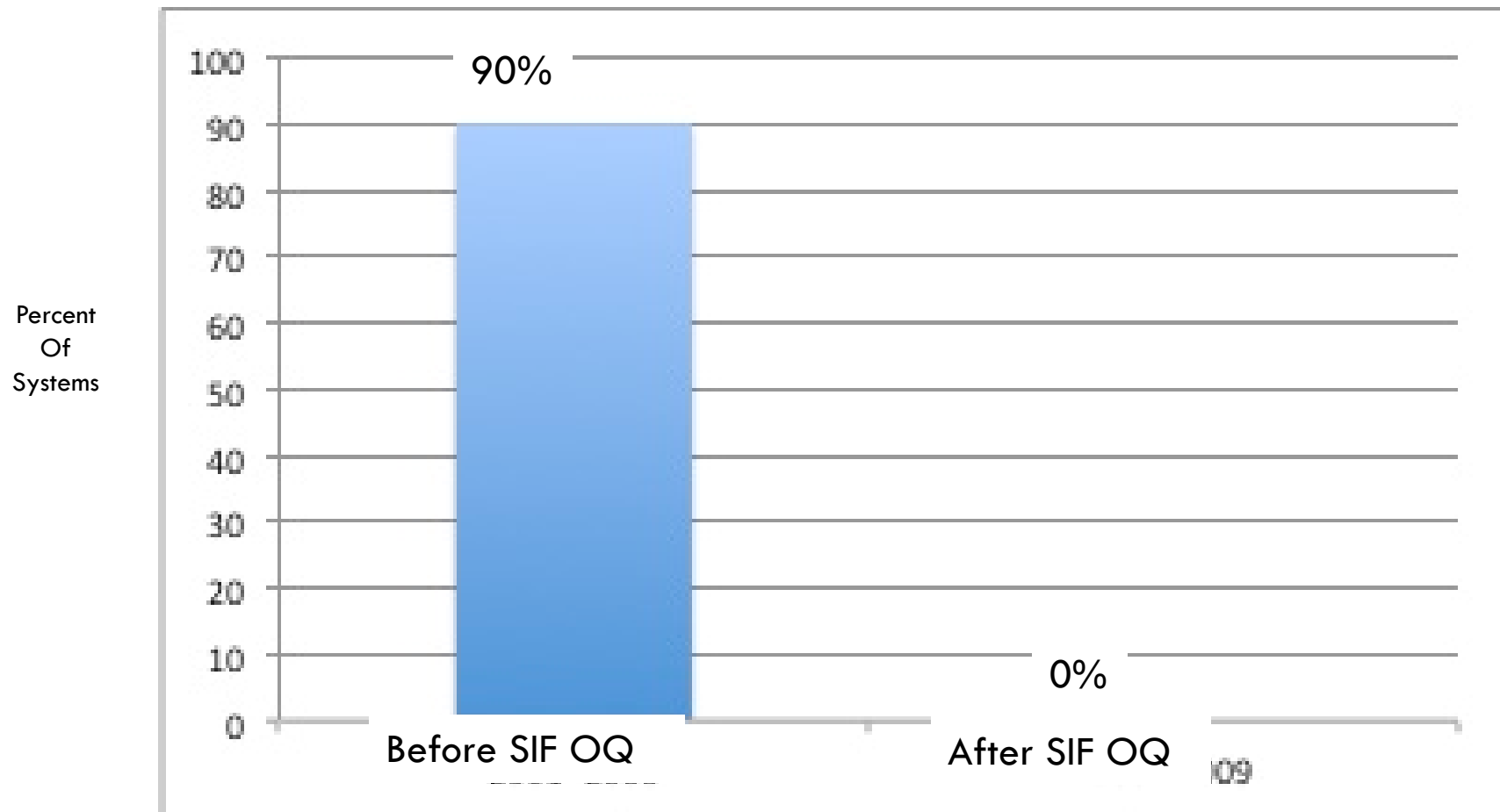
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SIF OQ Modules



- Corrosion Control
- Leak Investigation
- Odorization
- Damage Prevention
- Tapping
- Pressure Testing
- Pipeline Repair
- Pipeline Installation
- Meter Installation
- Regulating Devices
- Valves
- Purging/Abandonment

Illinois Operators with 1 or More NOPV





Qualifications Review

Hello [William Brown](#)

Category: Pipeline Repair (FD)

Task:

City:

Individual:

Exam Date:

State:

Result:

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Pipeline Repair (FD)

Task	Date	Description	Location	Result
0201	10/12/2012	October 12 Pipeline Repair	Sullivan, IL	Passed
0681	10/12/2012	October 12 Pipeline Repair	Sullivan, IL	Passed
0711	10/12/2012	October 12 Pipeline Repair	Sullivan, IL	Passed
0991	10/12/2012	October 12 Pipeline Repair	Sullivan, IL	Passed
1011	10/12/2012	October 12 Pipeline Repair	Sullivan, IL	Passed
1041	10/12/2012	October 12 Pipeline Repair	Sullivan, IL	Passed
1141	10/12/2012	October 12 Pipeline Repair	Sullivan, IL	Passed

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OO Plan Template

- Simple, Straight-forward
- SIF Evaluation Focused
- Accepted by State Program Managers
- Included in PHMSA OQ Guidance Manuals
- Available on website – www.apgasif.org

{INSERT OPERATOR NAME}

Operator Qualification Plan

{INSERT EFFECTIVE DATE}

SIF OQ Plan Generator



- SHRIMP like program
- Create a customized OQ Plan
- Targeting small operators
- Consistent with other SIF generated plans
- SIF OQ plan template already exists
- Advisory group has been formed

O & M Procedures



- ❑ FREE! – download from the SIF website www.apgasif.org
- ❑ Over 100 procedures available; written for all ASME B31Q distribution covered tasks
- ❑ Integrates with other SIF plans and programs
- ❑ Easily customized MS Word (.doc) files
- ❑ Update to date with current standards and regulations

[OPERATOR NAME] Operations and Maintenance Procedures					
B31Q Task # - 1301	Revision date: 04/29/13	Page 1 of 2 Version: 2.2			
Install and Maintain Pipeline Markers					
<p>SCOPE AND PURPOSE This procedure is to provide personnel installing and maintaining pipeline markers with a safe and effective procedures to ensure the integrity of the piping system. It describes practices required to comply with §192.707.</p> <p>RESPONSIBILITY The [Operator Name's or Job Position], or other designee, is responsible to ensure that the installation and maintenance of pipeline markers are performed as described in this procedure.</p> <p>PERSONNEL SAFETY (Where Applicable) • Use the required safety equipment.</p> <p>EQUIPMENT AND MATERIALS [Specify Acceptable Equipment to be Used] Marker driver and cap Posthole diggers Other equipment and materials as needed</p> <p>OPERATOR QUALIFICATION This activity is a covered task under the Operator Qualification Plan and may only be performed by or directed and observed by an individual who is currently qualified to install and maintain pipeline markers. Refer to the OQ Plan for specific qualification requirements.</p> <p>INSTRUCTIONS</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none">a. Identify all locations of buried and above ground facilities that require installation of pipeline markers. Pipeline markers are not required on mains in Class 3 or 4 Locations where a damage prevention program is in effect. A line marker must be placed as close as practical over each buried main and transmission line including each crossing of a public road and railroad and wherever necessary to identify the location of the pipeline to reduce the possibility of damage or interference. Ensure that one-call notifications have been issued and facility marking has taken place prior to marker installation.b. Markers should be installed at a frequency on the right of way where there is no place a marker can not be seen, if possible.c. Pipeline markers must be placed along each section of a main or facility that is located above ground including but not limited to:<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Town border stations• District regulator stations• Relief valve vent stacks• Valve settings• Bridge crossings• Odorizer settings• Telemeter settings					
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O & M Procedures

- Each procedure includes:
 - List of equipment and materials required
 - Potential worker safety issues
 - Step-by-step instructions and more
 - AOCs
- Instructions match SIF OQ evaluations

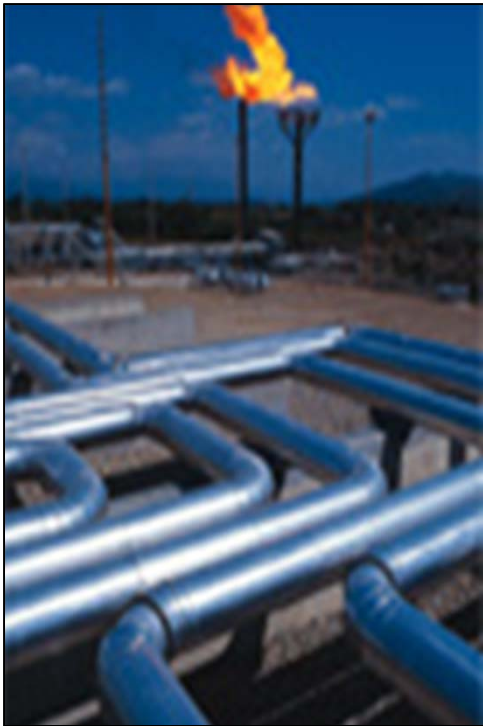
[OPERATOR NAME]		Operations and Maintenance Procedures	
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Install and Maintain Pipeline Markers			
<p>d. All signs must have the information needed to identify the product in the line including (1) company name, (2) 24 hour operator phone numbers where responsible parties can be reached at all times, (3) the word "Warning", "Caution", or "Danger" and (4) "Gas Pipeline".</p> <p>e. Ensure that installed markers are in good condition and the markings are legible and the information is correct.</p>			
REPORTING/NOTIFICATION Complete documentation in accordance with Operation and Maintenance Manual			
ABNORMAL OPERATING CONDITIONS			
AOC Main Category & Examples of Specific AOCs	Reactions to AOC, as appropriate		
Unplanned escape of product from a pipeline <ul style="list-style-type: none">Blowing/Escaping gas/Grade I leak	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Protect life & PropertyPrevent accidental ignitionNotify appropriate personnelNotify Fire/Emergency RespondersInitiate Emergency Plan	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Locate source/cause of AOCUse appropriate PPEStop gas flowMake repairs/eliminate AOC	
Fire or Explosion <ul style="list-style-type: none">Fire on a pipelineExplosion	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Protect life & PropertyPrevent accidental ignitionNotify appropriate personnelNotify Fire/Emergency RespondersInitiate Emergency Plan	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Locate source/cause of AOCUse appropriate PPEStop gas flowMake repairs/eliminate AOC	
Inadequate Odorization or Reports of Gas Odor <ul style="list-style-type: none">Low odorizationOver odorization & or Odor complaint	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Protect life & propertyPrevent accidental ignitionNotify appropriate personnel	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Locate source/cause of AOCMake repairs/eliminate AOC	
Improper Installation/Misalignment of Components <ul style="list-style-type: none">Improper fitting/component installationMisalignment of fittings/components	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Protect life & propertyPrevent accidental ignition	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Notify appropriate personnelMake repairs/eliminate AOC	
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SIF O & M Plan Generator



- SHRIMP like program
- Create a customized O & M Manual
- Targeting small gas systems, master meter operators and LP Gas piping systems
- Incorporating current SIF task specific O & M Procedures
- Boilerplate language, customizable language, original language
- Will seamlessly link with SHRIMP and SIF OQ
- Advisory group has been formed

7 Elements of a DIMP Plan



1. Develop a written integrity management plan
2. Know your infrastructure
3. Identify threats (existing and potential)
4. Assess and prioritize risk
5. Identify and implement measures to reduce risks
6. Measure and monitor performance, and
7. Report results

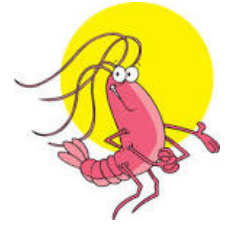
Introducing SHRIMP!



Simple, Handy, Risk-based Integrity Management Plan

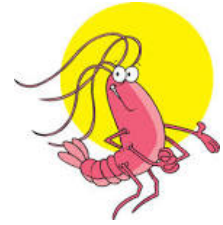


SHRIMP Development



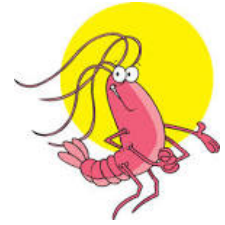
- Funded through a cooperative agreement with PHMSA
- Advisory Group made up of state regulators, federal regulators and industry
- Technical Toolboxes, Software developer
- Heath and Associates, Technical Consultant
- Viadata, Technical Consultant

SHRIMP



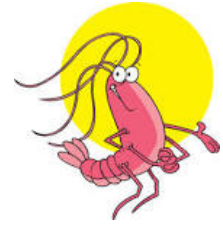
- ❑ Software product similar to tax preparation software (TurboTax)
- ❑ SHRIMP asks the user a series of questions about the system and its inspection and maintenance history
- ❑ Questions change based on answers
- ❑ Output is a customized DIMP Plan addressing all the elements and any other provisions in the rule

SHRIMP



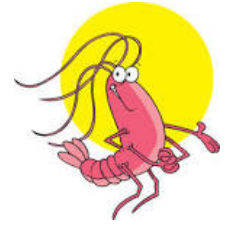
- Compliant with Federal Distribution Integrity Management Program regulation
- Used by systems of all types and sizes (master meter, municipal, natural gas, propane, investor owned)
- Pre-audited and updated based on results
- More than 1,192 users representing over 6,600,000 meters nationally

SHRIMP



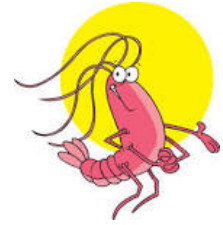
- Users Guide available for basic program questions
- Use Contact Support and Technical Notes for most technical questions
 - ▣ Emails are documented so program changes can be made if needed
 - ▣ A copy of the SHRIMP page is emailed with your question

SHRIMP Enhancements



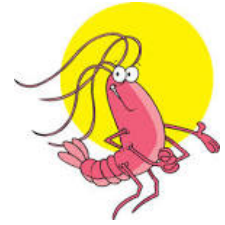
- ❑ Major revision in 2012 – Manage plan revision and track changes
- ❑ If users have not updated your SHRIMP plan since Version 1, please read the Technical Note
- ❑ Regularly updated based on feedback from state inspections and users
- ❑ Cross reference to inspection form available – read it!

SHRIMP Enhancements



- We are still making adjustments to the threat questions and to the risk ranking model
- We are making every attempt to ensure no data is lost in the process
- Some changes may change relative risk ranks for one or more threat-sections
- We alert users to changes via the alert feature in SHRIMP and on the bulletin board at:
<http://www.apgasif.org>

Coming Enhancements



- ❑ Major revisions to threat assessment and risk ranking sections
- ❑ All system segments for all threats will now appear in the risk ranking section, regardless of relative risk score
- ❑ Consequence questions will be asked of all system segments
- ❑ Users will be able to re-rank relative risk and assign AAs and PMs to any threat-segment
- ❑ Benchmarking capabilities

Compliance Training



- A one-day seminar on what to expect from and how to prepare for a compliance inspection
- Customizable curriculum with focus on priority areas
- Designed for small and large audiences
- Add-on meeting format

Compliance Training



- The workshops have 3 primary goals:
 - Heighten regulatory awareness
 - Reduce safety risk, both public safety and non-compliance
 - Streamline and improve the actual inspection process

Anti-Drug and Alcohol Plan Development Tool (DA)



- Creates a compliant Drug & Alcohol plan step-by-step online
- Deliverable
 - Web Based Development Tool
 - Similar to SHRIMP
 - Downloadable Written Plan
- Targeted Users
 - LDC
 - Contractors
- Industry wide subject matter expert team

Anti-Drug and Alcohol Plan Development Tool (DA)



- Available since 2011
- Works just like SHRIMP
- Automatically kept up to date with rule changes
- ~ 70 operators are using
- Can be found at www.apgasif.org

Anti-Drug and Alcohol Plan Development Tool (DA)



- ❑ **Not a Model Plan – It is a Development Tool**
- ❑ Unique for your system
- ❑ Question/Answer Inquiries
- ❑ Meets all requirement of Part 40 and 199
- ❑ Complies to PHMSA Inspection Protocol
- ❑ Access/Links to Forms
- ❑ Appendix of Supporting Documentation
- ❑ User Manual Provided

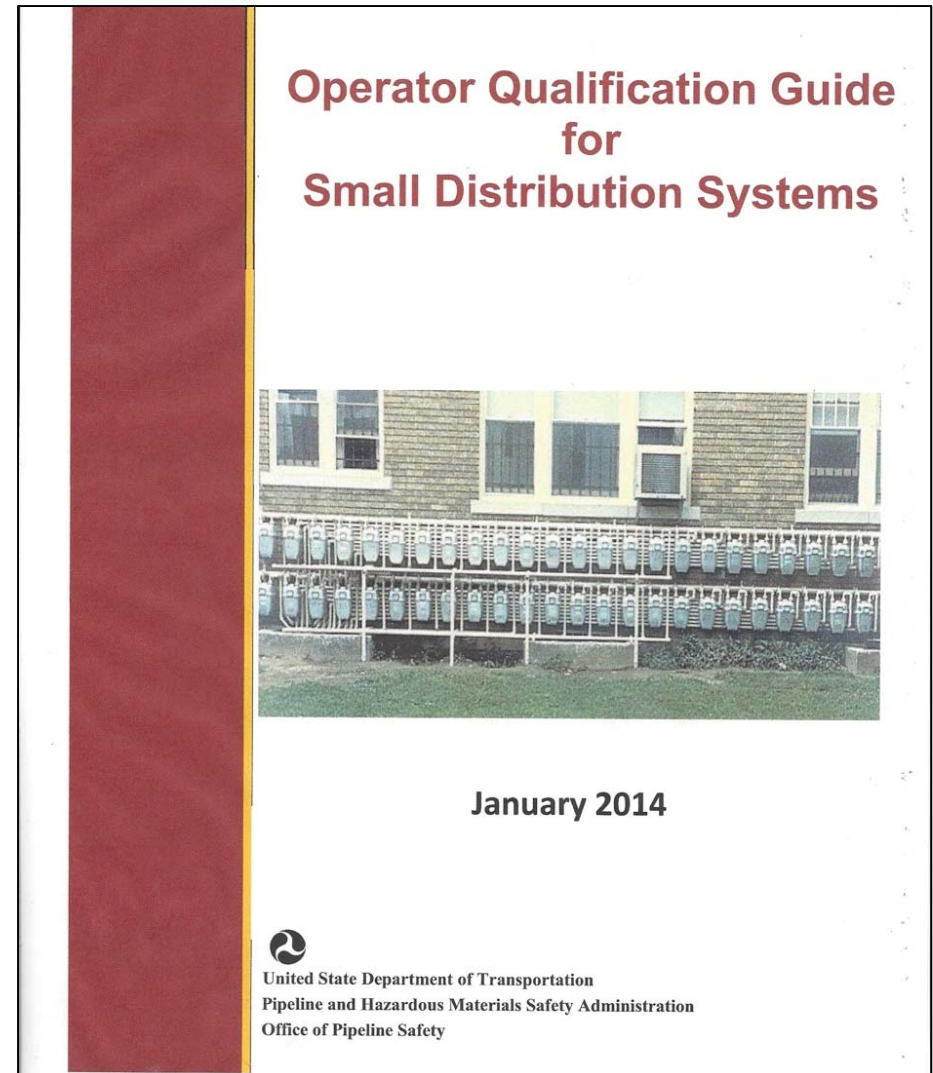
SMART Tablet Apps



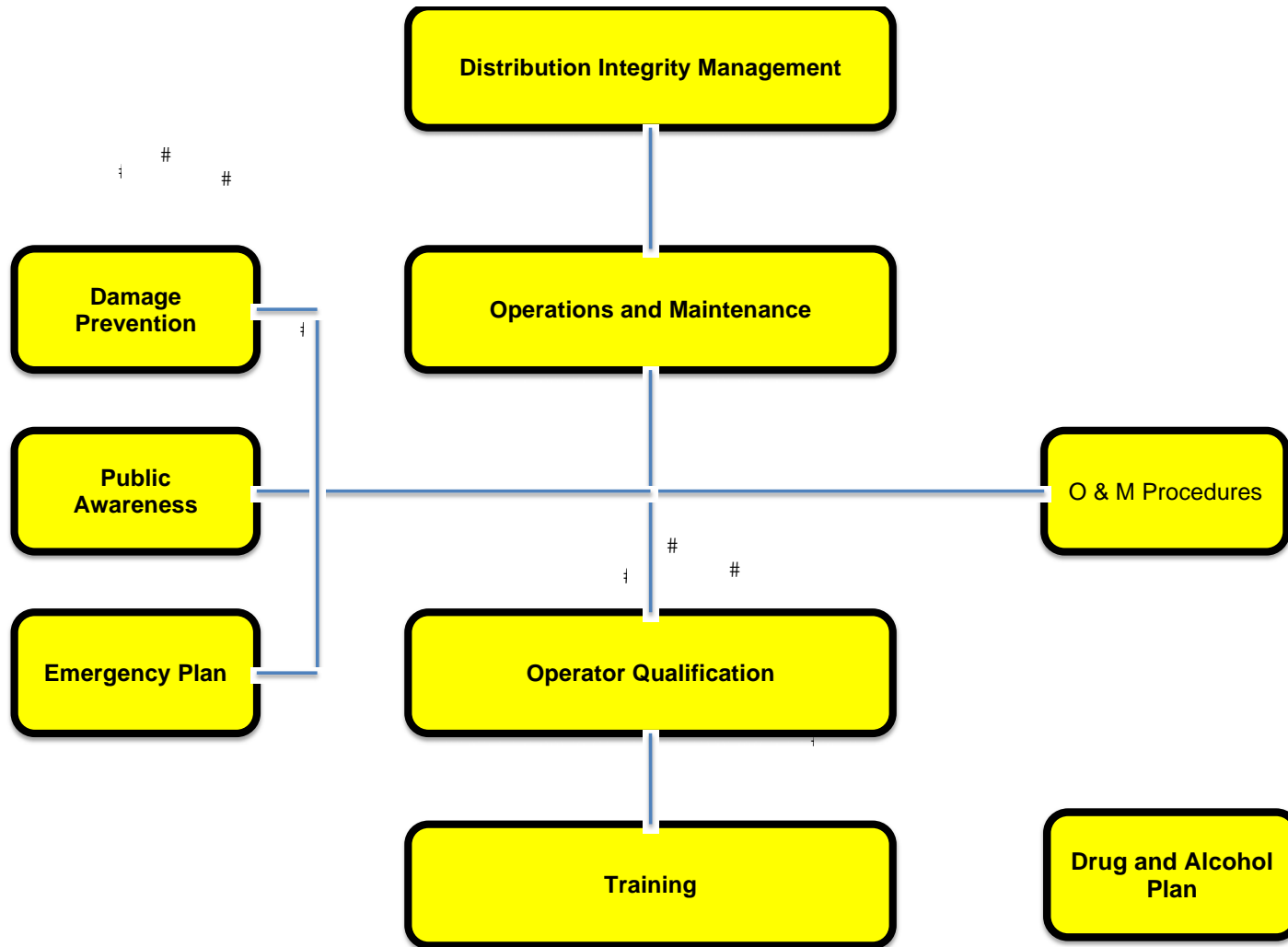
- Create a web-based real time data collection system
- Capture, store and manage data
 - ▣ Materials Management
 - ▣ Construction/Maintenance
 - ▣ Operations and Maintenance Inspections
- Utilized smart phone and/or tablets
- Satisfy compliance reporting
- Advisory group was formed

PHMSA Guidance Documents

- ❑ Small Operators Guide
- ❑ OQ Guide for Small Operators
- ❑ LP Operators Guide
- ❑ OQ Guide for Small LP Operators



SIF Compliance Services



www.apgasif.org

- ❑ Online information source
- ❑ Register for meetings
- ❑ Subscribe/Renew online tool subscriptions
- ❑ Search users (shrimp)
- ❑ View OQ histories
- ❑ Download O&M Procedures
- ❑ View upcoming events

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