

Humboldt Municipal Gas Utility  
Response to Hit Gas Line in Humboldt  
September 26, 2015

September 29, 2015

To the Commission:

In regards to the questions and information needed from the hit gas line which occurred on September 26, 2015:

Construction Signing Corporation (CSC) from Sioux Falls was moving mailboxes for the state on Saturday the 26<sup>th</sup>. They never called 811 for locates to be done. Daryl Sieverding had Q3 putting in a new gas service in to 1105 N Ford St at that time also. Daryl stopped to check on Q3's progress at 9:20am. Everything was going good so Daryl left about 10:15am. Todd Onken, the foreman for Q3, called Daryl and told him that CSC had just drilled through the 2" main. Daryl immediately headed into Humboldt to the scene of the hit and arrived at 11:00am. Q3 is the emergency response for Humboldt and were on the scene immediately. Q3 called for locates before Daryl returned. When Daryl got to the scene, 911 was called and Highway 19 was shut down for 1 mile. Q3 started digging 25ft back from gas hit and squeezes off the 2" main. Gas blew from the hit for 2 hours until Q3 was able to excavate and squeeze off the line. It was a 1-way feed. Daryl shut down services at the meter risers at 7 houses for approximately 4 hours until the gas line was fixed by Q3. After the line was fixed, Daryl did relights on the 7 houses. No evacuations were required.

Respectfully Submitted

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