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KC Metro Area Statistics

131 Gas Investigations
16 No tickets
34 Excavator At Fault
35 Operator At Fault
17 Not Marked
33 Mis Marked
31 No-fault/No Damage/etc.
60% Utilities at Fault

Wichita Area Statistics

93 Gas Investigations
11 No Tickets
28 Excavator At Fault
29 Operator At Fault
8 Not Marked
21 Mis Marked
25 No-fault/No Damage/etc.
51% Utilities at Fault

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- **Educating the Excavator General Issues**

- Call 811 or ITIC for a ticket
- Wait the required amount of time
- If damage occurs call 911 FIRST
- Protect the public (evacuate if necessary)
- COMMUNICATION IS KEY

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- **Educating the Excavator General Issues Cont'd**

- Identify the size and type of facility
- Identify if marked by measurements
- Pothole utilities (frequency)
- Educate on typical installations for various facilities
- Provide a good contact name and number

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- **Educating Operator's Excavator**

- Use a microphone in sewers to prevent cross bores
- Suggest attendance to the Regional CGA meetings
- Pothole all utilities
- Identify stationary reference points when taking measurements on new installations
- Double check that after installation tracer wire is intact and facility can be toned
- Double check that after installation measurements match actual installation

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- **Educating The Locators**

- Strive to make every locate a good one
- Check risers for wire
- Understand what the maps are saying
- Don't make assumptions
- Avoid complacency
- Identify facility size/type and if marked by measurements
- Fully read and understand marking instructions

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- **Educating The Locators Cont'd**

- If instructions are complicated ask them to whitenline
- Document Meets; make notes on the ticket if different instructions are provided. **CYA!!!!**
- Don't make assumptions make a phone call
- If white marks are present be certain it is mentioned in the marking instructions. Could be a proposed drill path. Mark as instructed unless a meet was held.
- Are there other markings that can indicate lines (curb etchings)??
- **COMMUNICATION IS THE KEY!!!!**

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- **Things to consider as an Operator**

- Are reference points being changed on existing maps during road projects??
- Do your contracts with 3rd party locators include the extra mile??
- Are your maps current????
- When maps are corrected, is the section corrected?
- Do your locators have the most current set of maps??
- **COMMUNICATION WITH ALL PARTIES IS THE KEY!!!!!!**

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- **Communications**

- Build Relationships at the field level
- Aid both parties fixing any damage
- Let Management do what they are paid to do

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- **Communications**
 - Minimize Impact on SAFETY!!!!
 - ❖ Get back in service
 - ❖ Minimal downtime
 - ❖ Minimize Costs
 - Minimize Collateral Damage
 - Make your difficult jobs easier

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- **Communications**

- Build a phone contact list like Wichita's CGA group

**South Central Kansas CGA Group
Contact List 2011**

KCC 1-800-662-0027
KCC Robert Jackson 785-330-6649
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811
Keep what's below.
Call before you dig.

Gas Leaking call 911		Sparkling Electricity call 911	
Company Name	Contact	Phone Number	
AT&T	Report Damage	1-800-248-8464	
Black Hills Energy	Report Damage	1-800-694-8189	
CenturyLink	Report Damage	1-877-433-1989	
Com Communications	Report Damage	1-888-249-2530	
Kansas Gas Service	Report Damage	1-800-794-4790	
TerraComads	Report Damage	1-800-447-8054	
Waste Energy	Report Damage	1-800-544-4837	
AT&T	Callan Donohoe/Scott Reynolds	(646) 829-1514	
AT&T	Steve Barnes, Long Power/Utilities	(314) 275-0061	
Black Hills Energy	John Stark, Eastern Operator	(314) 941-1467	
Black Hills Energy	Calvin Briggs, East Operator, Ash Grove	(314) 330-5167 cell	
Black Hills Energy	Larry Claycomb, East Operator, Mt. Vernon	(314) 772-0994 cell	
Black Hills Energy	Daryl Kuller, Eastern Operator	(314) 941-1654	
WSP	Brian Delmore	(314) 775-4042	
Butler Co. Rural Water Dist. #5	Pat Shaffer	(314) 778-1631	
Butler Co. Rural Water Dist. #5	Tony Brown	(314) 461-9427	
City of Bel Aire	Tony Dearing	(314) 744-2888	
City of Mulvane	Brad Mauldin	(314) 213-9452	
City of Valley Center	Steve Hartline	(314) 755-7325	
City of Andover	City Hall	(314) 733-1303	
City of Goodland	Kath Kauer	(314) 794-8092	
City of Park City	Jesse Escobedo	(314) 819-1401	
City of Kachi	City Hall	(314) 744-9287	
City of Milton	City Hall	(314) 722-7563	
City of Colwich	City Hall	(314) 796-1025	
City of Haystack	City Hall	(314) 529-5990	
City of Derby	City Hall	(314) 788-1519	

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- **Communications**

- ALL Parties have the SAME goal!!!!

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- **Use of Hit Kits for damages**



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- **Future KUUDPA Enforcement Topics**
 - When are civil penalties appropriate?

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