

# 1<sup>st</sup> Public Page Quarterly Report

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## Results and Conclusions

A kick-off meeting was planned and held via web presentation and phone conference on October 16, 2015 to introduce the project and team members (Task 1). An interim report describing the results of the kick-off meeting, revised project schedule, delivery dates and assignments for various deliverables was submitted to the Pipeline and Hazardous Materials Safety Administration (PHMSA) on October 28, 2015 (Task 1). Task 1 was started and completed, as scheduled, during this first quarterly period. An interim report providing review and critique of Industry Standards and Recommended Practices is scheduled to be submitted to PHMSA by January 15, 2016 (Task 2). Task 2 was started, however not completed as scheduled during this first quarterly period.

Efforts related to interviews with selected pipeline operators and pressure-testing services contractors (Task 3), and the development of guidelines related to pressure test planning (Task 4), were initiated in this first quarter as scheduled.

## Plans for Future Activity

Work will continue on Tasks 2, 3 and 4 in the next quarter (2<sup>nd</sup> Quarter). Tasks 2 and 3 are scheduled to be completed in the 2<sup>nd</sup> Quarter. Task 4 is schedule to be completed in the 3<sup>rd</sup> Quarter. The project is currently two weeks behind schedule.