



MANAGING RISK



ICDA for Dry Gas

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### DG-ICDA in Codes & Standards

#### NACE Standard Practice SP0206

- ICDA Methodology for Pipelines Carrying Normally Dry Natural Gas (DG-ICDA)
- 49CFR §192
- ICDA Development
  - GRI 02-0057, "Internal Corrosion Direct Assessment of Gas Transmission Pipelines – Methodology
  - NACE CORROSION/02 Paper Number 87

## Direct Assessment (ECDA, ICDA, SCCDA)

- 1. Pre-assessment determine mechanism for susceptibility
- 2. Indirect Examination prioritize susceptibility based on measurements or predictions
- 3. Direct/Detailed Examinations characterize local damage
- 4. Post-assessment Verify process/mechanism and calculate reassessment interval

### ICDA Step 2 – Where is the Water?

- Upstream highest priority
- Locations of water accumulation
  NACE CORROSION/06 Paper Number 183

$$\theta = \arcsin\left[\left(0.675 \frac{\rho_G}{\rho_L - \rho_G} * \frac{V_g^2}{g * ID}\right)^{1.091}\right]$$

### **Experience and Challenges**

- 1. Threat Assessment
- 2. Length of pipe to inspect
- 3. Inspection methods and procedures
- 4. Inclination Profiles
- 5. Character of liquid inputs
- 6. Reassessment intervals
- 7. Integrating DA methods

## 1. Threat Assessment

#### Normally dry gas

- Not intended for characterizing widespread damage
- Process prioritizes based on any significant damage
  - Damage distribution not presently considered
- Opportunity for DG-ICDA evolution
  - Threat assessment broader than ICDA

# 2. Length of Pipe to Inspect

#### Validation project

- Compared ILI and virtual ICDA

#### Long Inclines

- Short vs. long inclinations
- Increasing inclination
- Upstream elevation profile

## 3. Inspection Methods & Procedures

#### Detection of IC flaws

- Flaw size
- Leak vs. rupture
- Radiography
- UT Scans
- Point UT
  - Grid spacing

## 4. Inclination Profiles

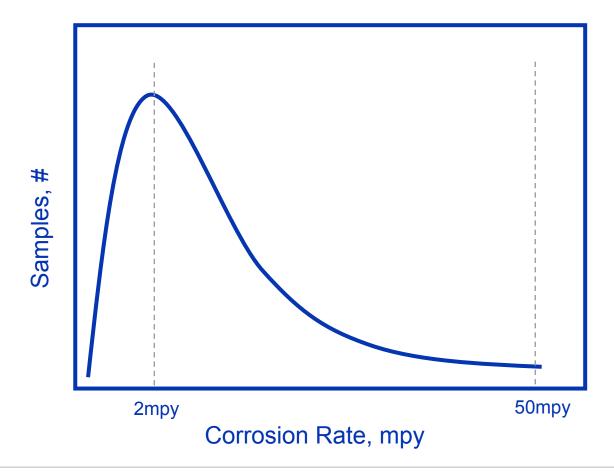
- Guidelines/Procedures
- Impact of uncertainties

# 5. Character of Liquid Inputs

- Modeling for small water volumes
- Consider
  - Glycol Carryover
  - Solids
- Monitor/sample gas quality

### 6. Re-Assessment Interval

On average, corrosion rates are less than 2mpy, but what is likelihood of 50mpy extreme value?



# 7. Integrating DA Methods

- DA methods typically performed stand-alone
- Can gain efficiencies by combining surveys and excavations
- Optimize risk

### Summary

#### ICDA Method

- Consensus
- Simple and intuitive
- Appropriate for a significant portion of pipelines
- ICDA Implementation
  - Inconsistencies between IMP procedures, code, standards
  - Gaps in knowledge, much to be filled by experience or data not previously collected
- Consider corrosion rate distribution for reassessment intervals
- Integrate DA methods