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Composite Repairs
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Composite Repair System

- Why Use Composite Repair

 - → No size, shape restriction
 - ---> Readily Available
 - --- Tested Products
 - Vendor Testing
 - Operator Review/Testing



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- Why is it more popular now
 - ── More repairs due to Pipeline Integrity Rule
 - Scheduled Inspection and Maintenance
 - Required Re-Inspections
 - Codes & Standards recognize composite repairs as alternative methods



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- Code requires to use "....reliable engineering tests and analyses...."
- Operators Quandary
 - Lot of vendors perform Testing. Who is right?
 - --- Any common grounds for testing
 - Any common basis for comparison
 - Gas & Liquid Pipelines
 - Guidance on repair system evaluation
 - Coating, UV, CP interference, ILI recognition, water and harsh environment
 - Composites are not mentioned in the code but recognized as alternate repairs
 - Is Clock Spring the only repair approved by DOT

