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Case No. 20200355-1

### REQUEST FOR SPECIFIC INFORMATION (RSI)

Subject: RSI for Damage Prevention

The Pipeline and Hazardous Materials Safety Administration (PHMSA) guidelines for states participating in the Pipeline Safety Program require the Minnesota Office of Pipeline Safety (MNOPS) to verify and gather specific items with pipeline operators. A portion of the items is specific to damage prevention. MNOPS already collects most of this data through the [Quarterly Utility Damage Survey](#). The submission of the Quarterly Utility Damage Survey is required by all intrastate operators. This RSI is also required by all intrastate operators and will gather certain damage prevention items not covered by the survey.

This RSI is being submitted pursuant to Minnesota Statute 299F.63 Subdivision (b) and Minnesota Administrative Rules 7530.0400, Subpart 1. This request is specific to only the type of operator and data listed below. **Please respond to this RSI by filling out the form located at the address below.**

<https://www.cognitofrms.com/MNOPS1/MNOPSDAMAGEPREVENTIONRSIAllIntrastateOperators>

Please provide the relevant information by May 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2021.

Here is the information you must provide (when relevant):

#### Damage Prevention Procedures and Qualifications

- Does your company require all locators, whether in-house or contracted, to be qualified?
- If a locator is having performance deficiencies at some point does the company require the locator to be requalified?
- Does your company require all locators, whether in-house or contracted, to follow a written locating and or damage prevention procedure(s)? If so, please cite the procedure name(s) and manual section(s) that apply.

## Mapping Procedures

- Does your company have procedures to correct mapping errors when found? If so, please cite the procedure name(s) and manual section(s) that apply.
- Does the mapping error procedure require correction to be made promptly once found?

Prepared by,

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