

Preparation of Small Operator Guidance

**OQ2 Public Meeting
Atlanta, Georgia
April 23, 2003**

What is our purpose?

- ◆ **A partnership between industry and regulators to develop guidance material for small operators to meet the requirements of the Operator Qualification rule.**
- ◆ **A constant and underlying goal is to ensure that the level of safety provided by OPS' OQ process is maintained and the effectiveness of the rule is not compromised.**

Who are we?

- ◆ **Regulators States/Federal Representation**
 - **Rick Marini co-chair**
 - **Don Stursma**
 - **Daren Gilbert**
 - **Jim Anderson**
 - **Jim Hotinger**
 - **Massoud Tahamtani**
 - **Lane Miller – TSI**
 - **Stan Kastanas – Federal OPS**
 - **John Gawronski - Cycla**

Who are we?

- ◆ **Industry Representation**
 - **Mike Comstock co-chair**
 - **Mike Bostic – Liquids**
 - **Ken Taylor – LNG**
 - **Rudy Parcel**
 - **Phil Bennett – AGA**
 - **Bert Kalisch, Bob Cave – APGA**
 - **John Erickson**

How are we accomplishing this?

- ◆ **Three steps to completion.**
 - **Completion of the protocols and initial audits**
 - **Develop the Characteristics of a Small System Operator**
 - **Number of employees performing covered tasks**
 - **Miles of Pipeline – liquids – transmission**
 - **Number of Customers/Meters**
 - **Small System Operator OQ Criteria Matrix**
 - **John Erickson**

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The Protocol:	What the Operator Should be Expected to Provide:	Commentary to explain how this can be accomplished:	How to Comply:
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When will be completed?

- ◆ **June 30th, 2003 for the characteristics of a small system operator definition**
- ◆ **December 1st, 2003 for the completion of the guidance material.**

Where is this effort occurring?

- ◆ **Conference Call**

- **April 29, 2003 1:00 PM EST.**

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