National Grid Public Safety Awareness and Stakeholder Engagement Strategy

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# National Grid long-term public safety outreach strategy

"Don't Get in Trouble"	Beyond Compliance		
Regulators	"Do the Right Thing/One Voice"		
egacy	Regulators Customers and communities Risk managers	<b>"Differentiate Us"</b> Regulators Customers and communities Risk managers <b>Investors</b>	Public Safety Embedded in Brand and Culture "We are Trusted to Keep the Public Safe – It Is Who We Are" Regulators Customers and communities
20	Risk managers Investors		
			The Public Employees



# Why National Grid embarked on our "beyond compliance" strategy

Focusing on compliance alone no longer be a viable option

- Customer expectations and regulatory scrutiny are increasing ("more should have been done to prevent this" attitude)
- Utilities face a changing risk landscape, and insurance gaps are increasing, resulting in larger deductibles and retained costs
- We cannot afford to wait to see what happens to drive strategic program decisions; must be proactive



National Grid's 2018 supplemental outreach mailer to Excavators



# We are expanding public safety outreach to include employee engagement

Safety is central to how we do business

- Public safety is no longer an expense but a strategic, capital budget initiative
- There is strategic culture-shift across the enterprise as we mature our Pipeline Safety Management System (PSMS)
- The Pipeline Public Awareness component of our PSMS is producing valuable metrics that help National Grid's leadership evaluate the impacts of our public safety commitments



National Grid's Public Awareness Liaison Catalog, an online "store" employees use to request public safety resources



# The future is now: Formalizing our PSMS

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- Provides a framework for managing pipeline structures.
- Improves safety culture.
- Maintains a constant plando-act cycle
  - **Plan** set goals and objectives
  - **Do** execute plans
  - Check review performance
  - Act take action based on review





# **National Grid's PSMS elements**

# Why implement a Safety Management System?

The SMS provides a framework to house all relevant activity under 10 prescribed elements.

# The 10 Safety Management System (SMS) Elements



Leadership and Management Commitment Putting our relentless commitment to improve pipeline safety into formal practice



### Stakeholder Engagement

Building relationships both internally and externally to support the safety of our system and operations



## **Risk Management**

Managing our assets and operations using a risk-based approach

## **Operational Controls**

Integrating all aspects of our operations into a single, umbrella framework, providing a disciplined and formal method to communicate and manage standard ways of working



#### Incident Investigation, Evaluation, Lesson Learned

Learning and continuously improving from the review and feedback from incidents

# Safety Assurance

Measuring and assessing pipeline safety risk and compliance issues



#### Management Review and Continuous Improvement

Ensuring that pipeline safety performance is reviewed and continuous improvement actions are developed on an on-going basis



### **Emergency Preparedness and Response**

Developing and practicing readiness to respond in the event of a pipeline incident

# **Competence, Awareness and Training**

Designing and delivering proper training and information to achieve a workforce that has the appropriate level of experience, knowledge and expertise

### **Documentation and Record Keeping**

Managing documentation and record keeping to support pipeline safety decision-making and reporting



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# National Grid's utility public safety awareness activities have evolved in a changing environment

Based on effectiveness research findings:

- Updated RP 1162 messaging and channel selection
- Doubled (at-least) outreach to all stakeholders, while aggressively expanding the number of touchpoints to most at-risk groups
- Aligned Public Awareness with Damage
   Prevention
- Collaborated electrical public safety outreach team



National Grid's redesigned and updated electric and natural gas safety site for at-risk workers



# National Grid reduces incidents through stakeholderfocused prevention education

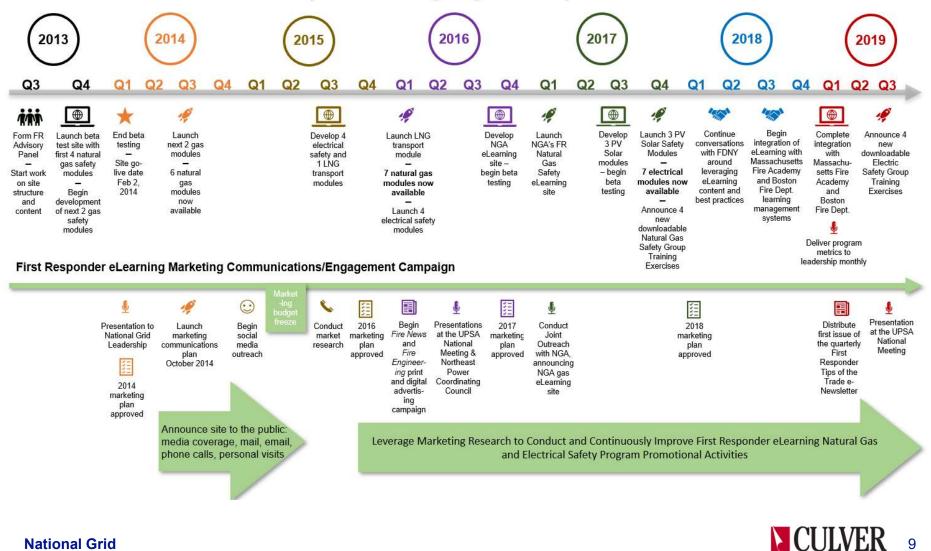


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\* Projections are based on Culver Company nationwide at-risk worker public safety findings, 2012-2018. 95% confidence ±3.3%

# Enhancing a sustainable and effective first responder eLearning program

National Grid First Responder eLearning Program Development Calendar-Year Overview



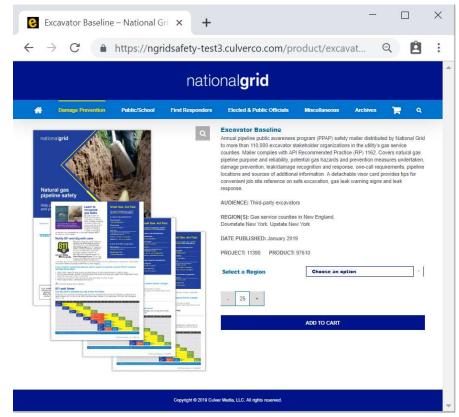
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# 2019 strategic stakeholder-engagement tactics that embed public safety awareness in brand and culture

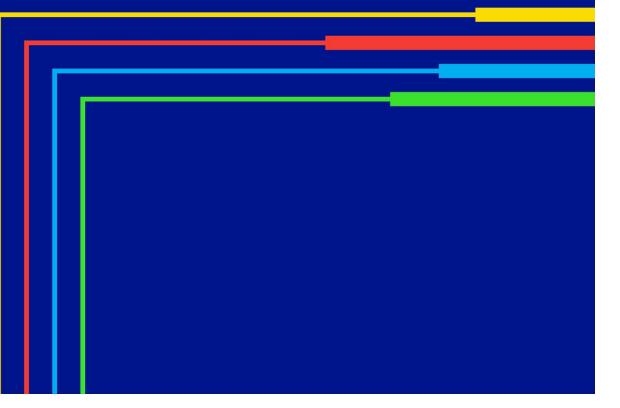
Emerging risk-based programs that promote National Grid's sustained efforts:

- Liaison Catalog online "store" employees use to request public safety awareness resources
- Call-center script, incorporating 811, odor fade and other hazard awareness messaging
- National Grid employee newsletter focused on pipeline safety and public awareness
- Additional data mining of internal incident data – structured and unstructured – to define program enhancements





# Appendix



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#### National Grid Public Awareness and Stakeholder Engagement Plan Summary FY20 nationalgrid

How We Deliver on Our Promise and Measure Results



#### National Grid leads the way in safety

At National Grid, we don't just talk about the importance of safety - it's embedded in our culture through our people, processes, and actions. Supported by local leaders who empower everyone down to the front-line worker, we're constantly refining and improving our efforts to keep our customers, communities, and employees safe.

#### Safety Vision

The work we do is essential. We are proud to take a leadership position in pipeline safety. Adoption of a pipeline safety management system puts that leadership commitment into formal practice, underpinned by our values of "doing the right thing" and "finding a better way".

# Gaps/Opportunities

	Gaps	Opportunities		
•	Functions operate as silos, while the public considers interactions with National Grid as originating from one company	•	Take the public viewpoint, presenting 'one face' when it comes to National Grid's unwavering safety focus	
•	Lack of aligned key performance indicators and information sharing across jurisdictions and functional areas	•	Develop a cohesive, enterprise-wide approach to measuring and communicating public safety, including linking our outreach to corporate value (e.g., customers, employees, regulators and shareholders)	
•	Focus on outcome metrics means an emphasis on lagging	-	Focus on drivers means a greater emphasis on leading success indicators	

# leading success indicators

	Stakeholder Audience	Lagging Indicator	Leading Indicator (Activity/Delivery)	Leading Indicator (Effectiveness)
	Affected Public	<ul> <li>Reduced dig-ins/damage rate system- wide</li> <li>Reduced Risk</li> <li>Safety communication perceptions</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Liaison Meetings: Schools, hospitals, colleges</li> <li>Public Awareness Outreach Numbers: Teachers/Students/Parents educated, and AP ROW mailing reach</li> <li>New Initiative: Major Accounts program</li> </ul>	Perception of National Grid's commitment to safety     AP ROW mailing recall     811 awareness     Gas leak recognition and response confidence     Pipeline proximity awareness     Energy explorer webhits
Our Customers	Excavators	<ul> <li>Reduced dig-ins/damage rate system- wide</li> <li>Reduced overhead contacts</li> <li>Reduced Risk</li> <li>Safety communication perceptions</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Liaison Meetings: Repeat Offenders &amp; DPWs</li> <li>Public Awareness Outreach Numbers: Excavator and Third-Party Contractor reach &amp; damage prevention reach and program enhancements</li> <li>New Initiative: Electrical safety program</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Perception of National Grid's commitment to safety</li> <li>Excavator mailing recall</li> <li>811 awareness</li> <li>Gas leak recognition and response confidence</li> <li><i>e-SMARTworkers</i> webhits</li> </ul>
Our C	Public Officials	<ul> <li>Reduced dig-ins/damage rate system- wide</li> <li>Reduced Risk</li> <li>Safety communication perceptions</li> </ul>	Liaison Meetings: villages/towns     Public Awareness Outreach Numbers: Public     Official reach <i>New Initiative</i> : Damage Prevention Influencer     program	<ul> <li>Perception of National Grid's commitment to safety</li> <li>Public Official mailing recall</li> <li>811 awareness</li> <li>Gas leak recognition and response confidence</li> <li>Natural Gas emergency plan awareness</li> </ul>
	Emergency Officials	<ul> <li>Reduced dig-ins/damage rate system- wide</li> <li>Reduced Risk</li> <li>Safety communication perceptions</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Liaison Meetings: first responder presentations</li> <li>Public Awareness Outreach Numbers: Emergency Official reach</li> <li>New Initiative: Instructor-led e-learning &amp; key partnership development</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>E-learning webhits, registrations, and completes</li> <li>Perception of National Grid's commitment to safety</li> <li>Public Official mailing recall</li> <li>811 awareness</li> <li>Gas leak recognition and response confidence</li> </ul>
Our People	Employees	<ul> <li>Embed public safety in brand and culture</li> <li>Reduced risks</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Liaison catalog</li> <li>Materials distributed as a result of digital catalog</li> <li>Adherence with RP1173</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Safety culture survey: Index employees who perceive 'company is doing their part to keep public safe'</li> <li>Reduction in claims</li> </ul>
ur unities	Regulators	Positive rate case outcomes	<ul> <li>Proactively sharing story of safety communication with regulators</li> </ul>	Safety efforts not perceived as a gap during filings
Our Communities	Investors	<ul> <li>Reduced Risk</li> <li>Incremental impact on brand/image</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Insurance premiums &amp; co-insurance rate</li> <li>Safety perceptions (JD Powers)</li> </ul>	Reduction in claims     Positive AEGIS assessments

### Why Is Matters

#### Meeting the industry goal of zero incidents

The Safety Management System (SMS) paves the way for continuous safety improvements. Users gain understanding of potential pipeline hazards and risk minimization. This framework approach will standardize the way we lead pipeline safety across our business and cements our leadership commitment. The SMS also measures progress toward safety.





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