



2023 APGA OPERATIONS CONFERENCE



TUESDAY, OCTOBER 24

TIME	GENERAL SESSION
1:00 – 1:10 PM	OPENING REMARKS STEVE SQUIBB, CITY UTILITIES OF SPRINGFIELD MO AND APGA OPERATIONS & SAFETY COMMITTEE CHAIR
1:10 – 1:40 PM	APGA WELCOME AND ASSOCIATION UPDATE DAVE SCHRYVER, PRESIDENT & CEO, AMERICAN PUBLIC GAS ASSOCIATION
1:40 – 2:30 PM	PHMSA PERSPECTIVE: IMPLEMENTING CONGRESSIONAL MANDATES & PIPELINE SAFETY IN 2023 & BEYOND TRISTAN BROWN, DEPUTY ADMINISTRATOR, PIPELINE & HAZARDOUS MATERIALS SAFETY ADMINISTRATION (PHMSA)
2:30 – 3:00 PM	NETWORKING BREAK & VENDOR EXHIBITS
3:00 – 3:45 PM	NATIONAL ENERGY LITERACY STUDY GARY SWAN, CHIEF MARKETING OFFICER, NATIONAL ENERGY FOUNDATION
3:45 – 4:45 PM	MEMBER SHARES: LEAK DETECTION, SAFETY MANAGEMENT, MANAGEMENT OF CHANGE ... OH MY! 2023 APGA SOAR GOLD WINNERS: CITY OF TALLAHASSEE, HUNTSVILLE UTILITIES, POWELL CLINCH UTILITY DISTRICT, WILSON ENERGY
4:45 PM	ADJOURNMENT
4:45 – 5:30 PM	WOMEN IN ENERGY HAPPY HOUR SPONSORED BY MAGNOLIA RIVER
5:00 – 6:30 PM	NETWORKING RECEPTION



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WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 25

TIME	OPERATIONS & ENGINEERING	SAFETY & COMPLIANCE	ENVIRONMENTAL
7:00 – 8:00 AM	CONTINENTAL BREAKFAST, COFFEE & VENDOR EXHIBITS		
8:00 – 8:45 AM	<p>PANEL: EMERGENCY RESPONSE PLANS BEST PRACTICES</p> <p>MODERATOR: JOHN GANN, MEA ENERGY ASSOCIATION</p> <p>PANELISTS: ROCKY HUDSON, LANCASTER COUNTY NATURAL GAS AUTHORITY; DARRYL SINGLETON, PENSACOLA ENERGY</p>	<p>PANEL DISCUSSION: HOW DO UTILITY MANAGERS INFLUENCE SAFETY CULTURE?</p> <p>MODERATOR: MASON MATTHEWS, INTEGRITY UTILITY SOLUTIONS</p> <p>PANELISTS: MIKE STRENGTH, TRUSSVILLE UTILITIES BOARD; ANDY THOMAS, CITY OF LEXINGTON NC; CRYSTAL COOLEY, COLORADO SPRINGS UTILITIES</p>	<p>APGA'S ENVIRONMENTAL ROADMAP</p> <p>MODERATOR: BROOKE SINCLAIR, ENSAFE</p> <p>PANELISTS: MATT STENNETT, MIDDLE TENNESSEE NATURAL GAS; DARIN YUSI, CITY OF ELLENSBURG WA; MIKE JEWELL, CITY OF COVINGTON GA</p>
8:50 – 9:35 AM	<p>NATURAL GAS ALARMS ENHANCE PUBLIC SAFETY AND QUICKEN EMERGENCY RESPONSE</p> <p>HAYDEN KUXHAUSEN, HEATH CONSULTANTS INC.</p>	<p>PHMSA OUTREACH INITIATIVE TO UNDERSERVED COMMUNITIES</p> <p>SEAN QUINLAN, PHMSA</p>	<p>MEET THE USERS OF NEUFUEL VEHICLES; A FLEET PANEL DISCUSSION</p> <p>TODD GENTLE, HUNTSVILLE UTILITIES; STEPHEN MAYFIELD, CITY OF TALLAHASSEE; DURK TYSON, GREENVILLE UTILITIES; CODY STALLINGS, CITY OF WILSON</p>
9:35 – 10:05 AM	NETWORKING BREAK WITH EXHIBITORS		
10:05 – 10:35 AM	<p>OT (SCADA) CYBERSECURITY LANDSCAPE</p> <p>MIKE BRADLEY, EVERLINE</p>	<p>REDUCING DAMAGES: UNPRECEDENTED COLLABORATION IN TACKLING THE TOP ROOT CAUSES</p> <p>SAM HALL, DAMAGE PREVENTION INSTITUTE</p>	<p>GREEN HYDROGEN</p> <p>DAN DISMUKES, HONEYWELL</p>
10:40 – 11:10 AM	<p>ASSET MANAGEMENT FOR EQUIPMENT</p> <p>JIM SCHAUER, ENERGY WORLDNET</p>	<p>ANOTHER PERSPECTIVE ON RISK MANAGEMENT</p> <p>HEATH SILVEY, AON</p>	<p>R&D EFFORTS – OPERATIONAL EMISSION REDUCTIONS</p> <p>DENNIS JARNECKE, GTI ENERGY</p>



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11:15 – 11:45 AM	DEVELOPING A STRATEGIC PLAN FOR YOUR OPERATIONS & COMPLIANCE EFFORTS BEN CAREY, KNOXVILLE UTILITIES BOARD MATT POELKING, KIMLEY-HORN	PIPELINE SAFETY REAUTHORIZATION STUART SAULTERS, APGA JOSHUA ST. PIERRE, APGA	RENEWABLE NATURAL GAS: FROM IDEA TO EXECUTION CODY MEYERS, GREEN ROCK ENERGY
11:45 AM – 1:00 PM	LUNCH		
1:00 – 1:45 PM	CONSTRUCTION INSPECTION CHRIS MCKINLEY, SOUTHERN CATHODIC PROTECTION COMPANY	PIPELINE SAFETY MANAGEMENT SYSTEMS MARY CAMPOS, CAMPOS EPC	YOUR ESG STRATEGY AND WHY IT'S IMPORTANT NICK PERO, ARTERA SERVICES
1:50 – 2:35 PM	MANAGING AND STAFFING LARGE SYSTEM REPLACEMENT PROGRAMS IN TIGHT LABOR MARKETS CHRIS HIESTAND, MAGNOLIA RIVER	MANAGEMENT OF CHANGE CHRIS FOLEY, RCP INC.	A PATH TOWARDS NET ZERO USING ADVANCED LEAK DETECTION ALNOOR EBRAHIM, SOUTHERN CROSS BRIAN KING, TRUSSVILLE GAS & WATER TYLER WINGARD, SOUTHEAST GAS
2:35 – 3:05 PM	NETWORKING BREAK WITH EXHIBITORS		
3:05 – 3:35 PM	ASSET LIFECYCLE MANAGEMENT USING CITYWORKS FOR THE GAS INDUSTRY MICHAEL PRESTON, TRIMBLE/CITYWORKS	PLASTIC PIPE DATABASE COMMITTEE MATT STENNETT, MIDDLE TENNESSEE NATURAL GAS DISTRICT BRENT HAYWOOD, OKALOOSA GAS DISTRICT	IMPLEMENTING CROSS-COMPRESSION: WHEN AND HOW ERIK MENARD, ZEVAC JASON GARLAND, EGW USA



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3:40 – 4:10 PM	IMPROVING GIS MAPPING THROUGH OPPORTUNISTIC GPS CAPTURE DANIEL FLUM AND CRAIG BRUNER, CITY OF HAMILTON	IMPLEMENTING CLOSED-LOOP MONITORING: ENHANCING CYBERSECURITY IN THE GAS SECTOR JAMES CHACKO AND DOUG WESTLAND, ACUMEN	NEXT GENERATION ROUNDTABLE MODERATORS: STUART SAULTERS AND RENEE LANI, APGA
4:15 – 4:45 PM	REGULATOR STATION RETROFITS DARIN HOUCHEIN, UTILITY SAFETY & DESIGN, INC. (USDI)	SHRIMP – WHAT TO KNOW & WHAT IS NEW! ERIN KURILLA, APGA SIF	
4:45 – 5:30 PM	NEXT GENERATION EMPLOYEE’S HAPPY HOUR SPONSORED BY ENERGY WORLDNET		
5:00 – 6:30 PM	NETWORKING RECEPTION		



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THURSDAY, OCTOBER 26

TIME	GENERAL SESSION
7:00 – 8:15 AM	CONTINENTAL BREAKFAST, COFFEE & VENDOR EXHIBITS
8:15 – 8:45 AM	APGA EXCELLENCE IN ENVIRONMENTAL STEWARDSHIP AWARD WINNER DARIN YUSI, CITY OF ELLENSBURG WA
8:45 – 9:30 AM	APGA SAFETY MANAGEMENT EXCELLENCE AWARD WINNER GLEN BOATWRIGHT, YORK COUNTY NATURAL GAS AUTHORITY
9:30 – 10:00 AM	PHMSA NATURAL GAS DISTRIBUTION INFRASTRUCTURE SAFETY & MODERNIZATION GRANT PROGRAM ERIN KURILLA, APGA
10:00 – 10:15 AM	NETWORKING BREAK
10:15 – 11:15 AM	FEDERAL PIPELINE SAFETY UPDATE: LEAK DETECTION & REPAIR AND GAS DISTRIBUTION RULES ERIN KURILLA, APGA
11:15 – 11:30 AM	ROUNDTABLE: REFLECTION MODERATOR: TODD GENTLE, HUNTSVILLE UTILITIES AND APGA OPERATIONS & SAFETY COMMITTEE VICE CHAIR
11:30 AM	CONFERENCE WRAP-UP & ADJOURNMENT