



Induced AC Interference & Mitigation

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Agenda



- ❑ Why the Problem?
- ❑ Basic Power Transmission
- ❑ Induced AC ROW Safety
- ❑ Assessing the Problem
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- ❑ AC Interference Modeling
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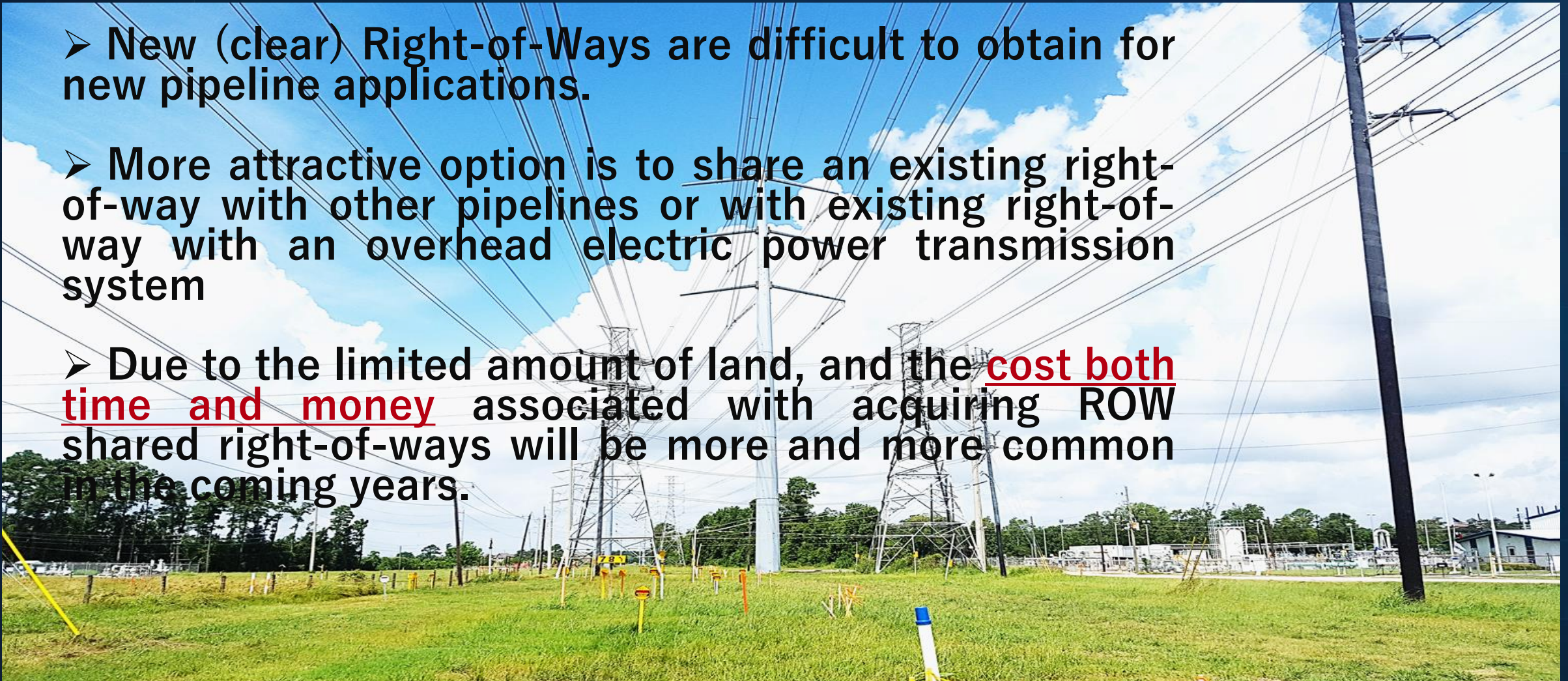
Why the Problem?

The Issue Congested - Shared Right of Ways



Shared Right of Ways

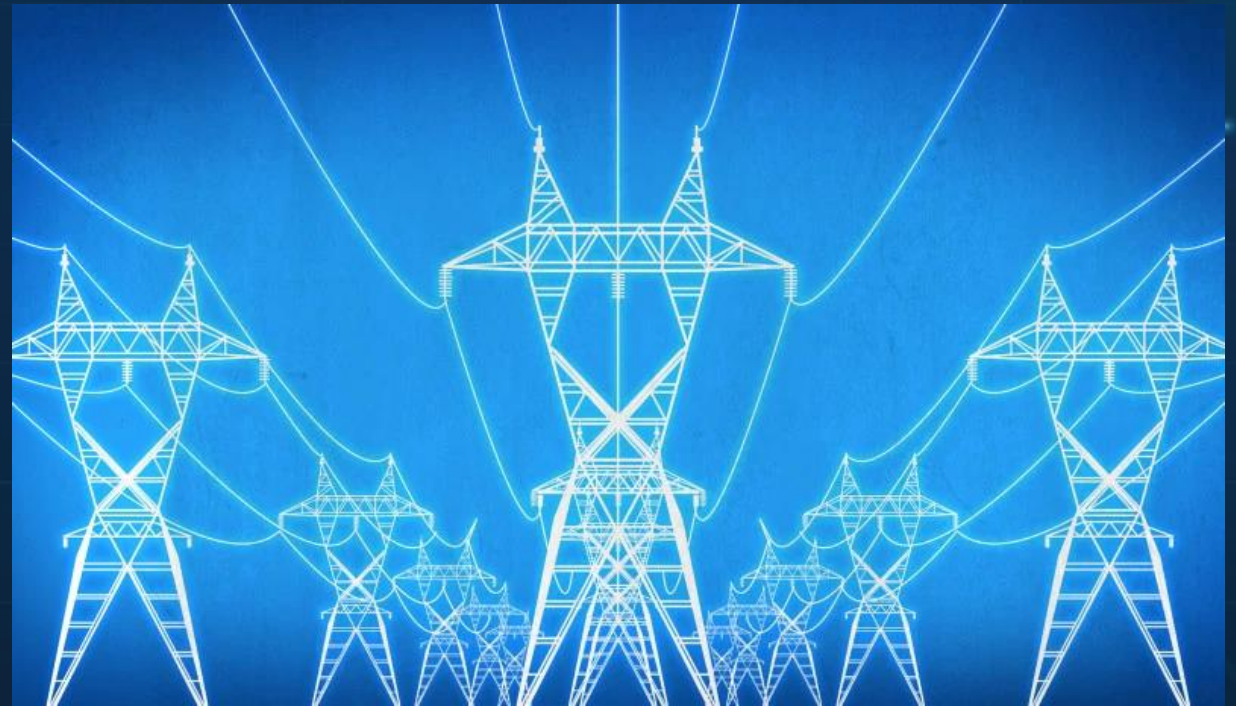
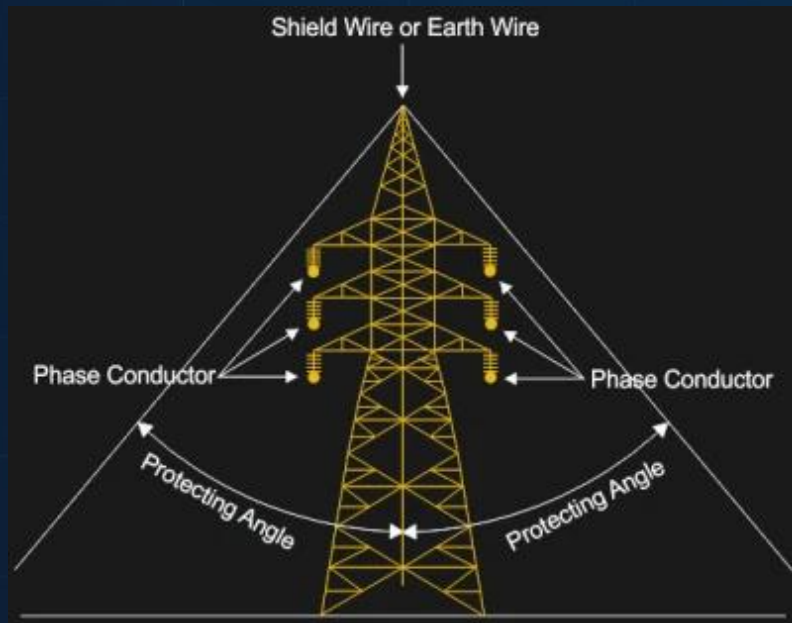
- New (clear) Right-of-Ways are difficult to obtain for new pipeline applications.
- More attractive option is to share an existing right-of-way with other pipelines or with existing right-of-way with an overhead electric power transmission system
- Due to the limited amount of land, and the cost both time and money associated with acquiring ROW shared right-of-ways will be more and more common in the coming years.



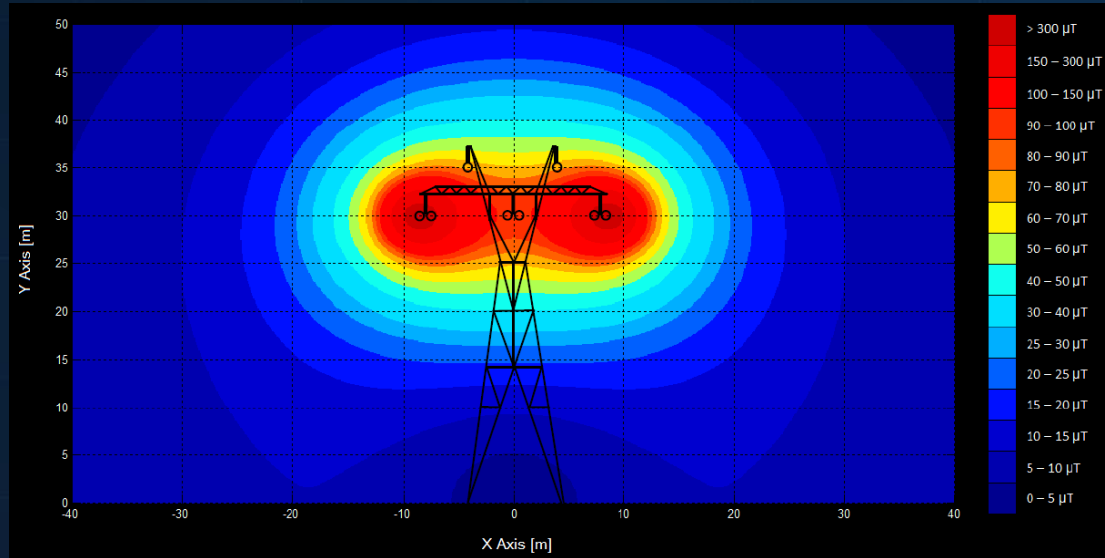
AC Interference

A pipeline can experience AC interference as a result of being in the proximity of any AC power line. However, the vast majority of interference problems are created by **three-phase (3 ϕ) power transmission systems** and the **magnetic fields** they create.

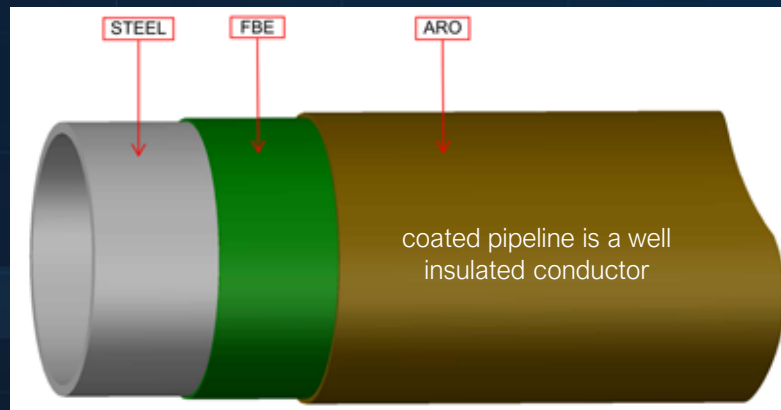
A 3 ϕ power transmission system consists of three energized conductors,. Each conductor has approximately the same voltage to ground, and each carries approximately the same amount of current.



AC Interference | Why Does it Occur?

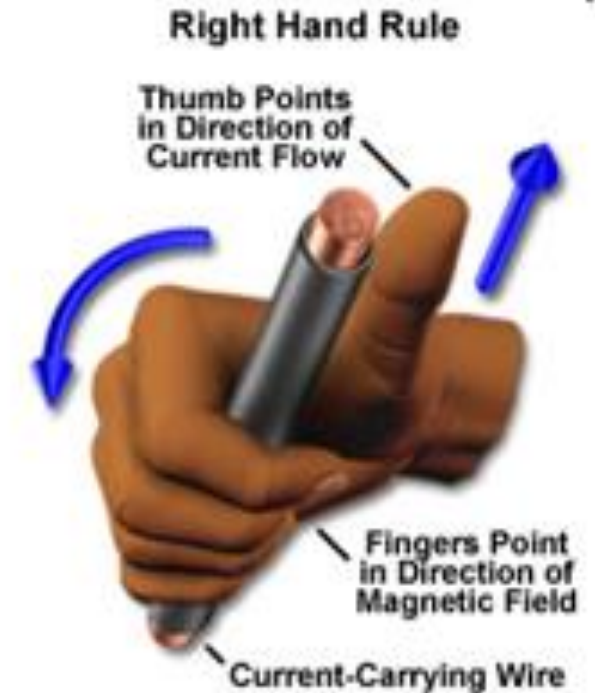


Electromagnetic Fields (EMF) High Voltage Power Lines



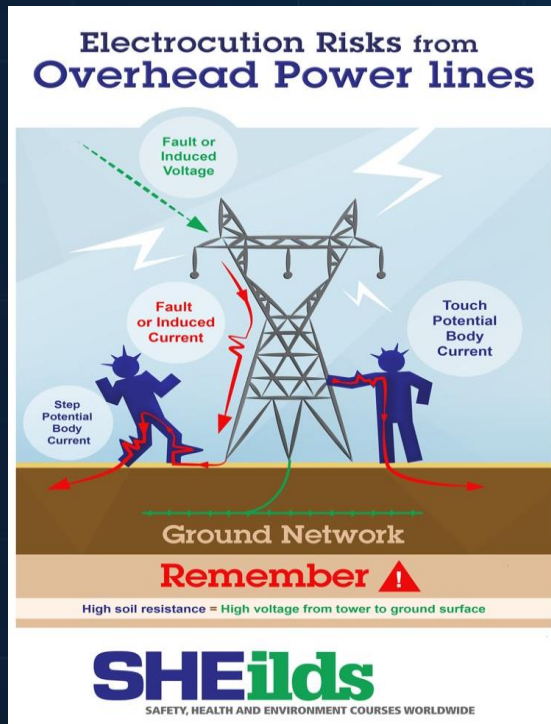
The **Right Hand Rule** simply shows how a current-carrying wire generates a magnetic field

- point your thumb in the direction of the current and let your fingers assume a curved position, the magnetic field circling around the wires flows in the direction in which your four fingers point.
- Fleming's right hand rule (for generators). The appropriately-handed rule can be recalled by remembering that the letter "g" is in "right" and "generator"

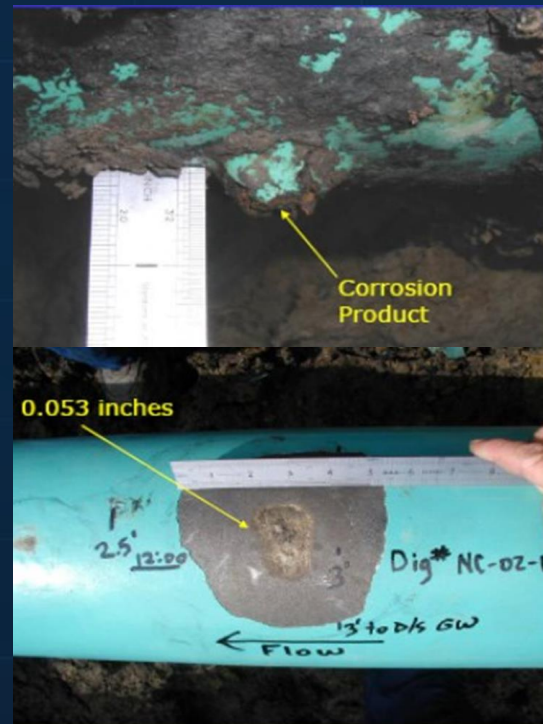


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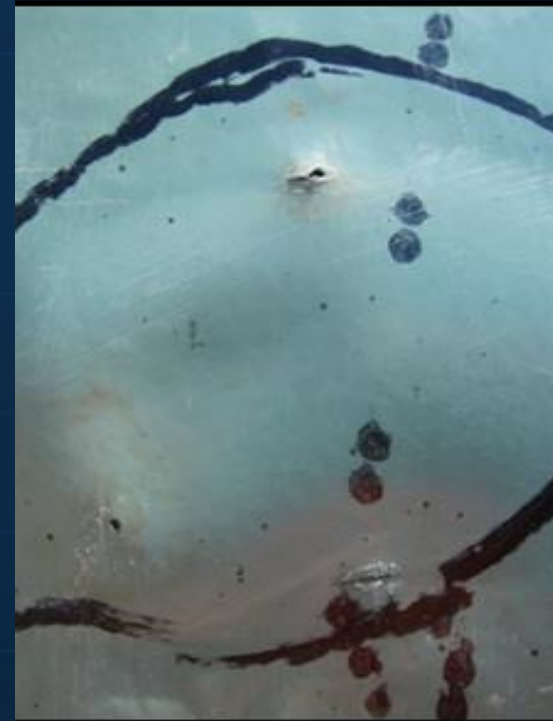
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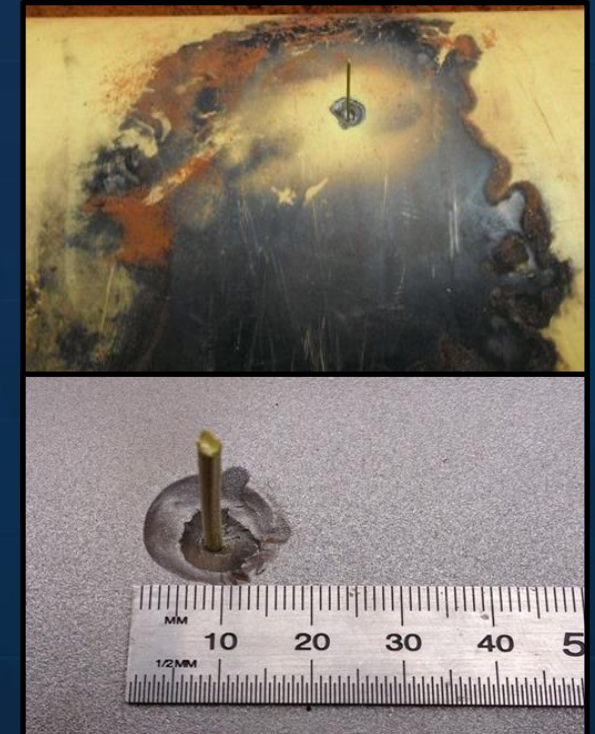
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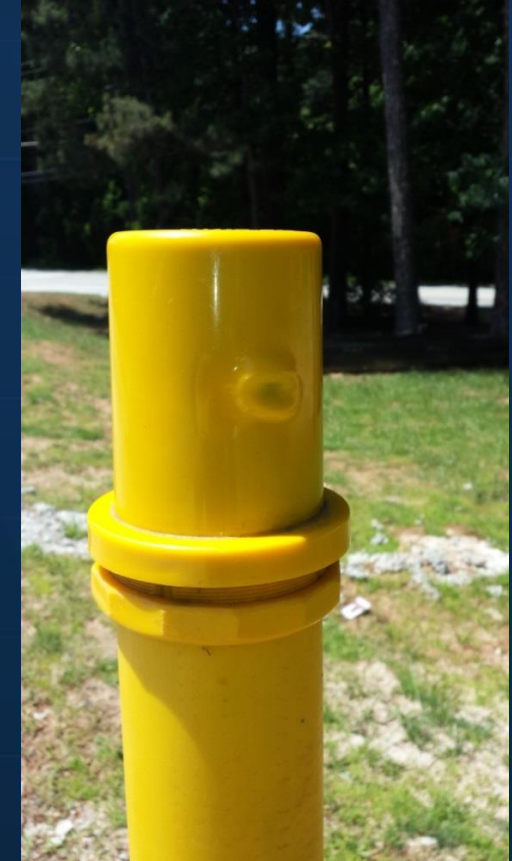


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For natural gas alone, the Pipeline and Hazardous Materials Safety Administration (PHMSA), a United States Department of Transportation agency, has collected data on more than 3,200 accidents deemed serious or significant since 1987.

A "significant incident" results in any of the following consequences:

- ☐ Fatality or injury requiring in-patient hospitalization
- ☐ \$50,000 or more in total costs, measured in 1984 dollars
- ☐ Liquid releases of five or more barrels (42 US gal/barrel)
- ☐ Releases resulting in an unintentional fire or explosion.

TWENTY-THREE (23) SUCH EVENTS IN 2019



Code – 49 CFR 192 | Gas Transmission Pipeline

United States DOT – Pipeline Hazardous Material Safety Administration (PHMSA)

Where AC Interference effects falls within the Code:

§192.473 External Corrosion Control: Interference Currents.

- (a) Each operator whose pipeline system is subjected to stray currents shall have in effect a continuing program to minimize the detrimental effects of such currents.

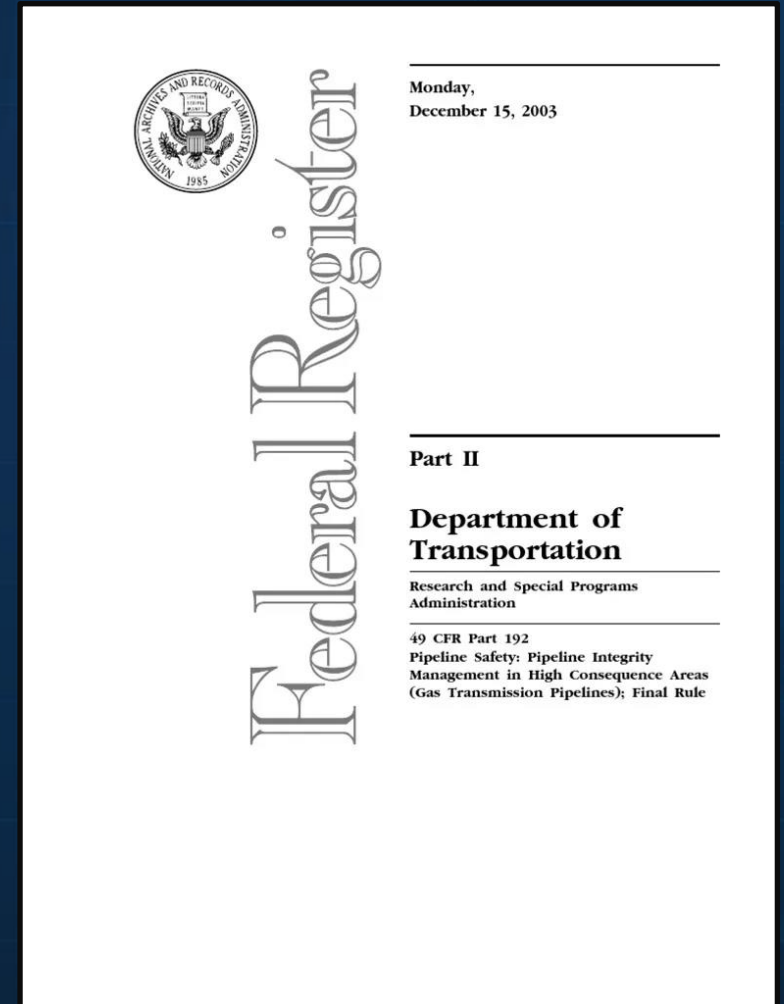
Very similar language in 49 CFR 195 part 195.577 for (Hazardous Liquid Pipelines)

NOTE SPECIAL PERMIT PIPELINES:

§192.328 Additional construction requirements for steel pipe using alternative maximum allowable operating pressure. Special Permit Lines >80% SMYS

- (b) Interference currents.

- (1) For a new pipeline segment, the construction must address the impacts of induced alternating current from parallel electric transmission lines and other known sources of potential interference with corrosion control.



Code – 49 CFR 192 | Gas Transmission Pipeline (On Shore)

PHMSA Mega Rule RIN2 Issued August 24, 2022

Corrosion Control: Interference Surveys § 192.473

PHMSA proposed to amend § 192.473 to require that operator's program include interference surveys to detect the presence of interference currents and **take remedial actions within 6 months** of completing the survey. Additionally, PHMSA proposed that operators perform periodic surveys whenever needed.

Interference currents can negate the effectiveness of CP systems. Section 192.473 currently prescribes general requirements to minimize the detrimental effects of interference currents. However, subpart I does not presently contain specific requirements to monitor and mitigate detrimental interference currents. Accordingly, this final rule adds a new paragraph (c) to require that onshore gas transmission operator corrosion control programs include interference surveys to detect the presence of interference currents when potential monitoring indicates a significant increase in stray current, or when new potential stray current sources are introduced. **Sources of stray current can include co-located pipelines, structures, HVAC power lines, new or enlarged power substations, new pipelines, and other structures. They can also include additional generation, a voltage uprating, and additional lines.** The rule also requires operators perform remedial actions no later than 15 months after completing the interference survey, with an allowance for permitting, to protect the pipeline segment from detrimental interference currents. These additional requirements **do not apply to gas gathering pipelines or distribution mains.**

Clarifications to 49 CFR 192 RIN2 Issued April 24, 2023

Technical Correction to Specify Unit Measure in 192.473(c)(3)

This correction was to specify that operators must take remedial action when surveys detect interference currents that **meets or exceed 100 amps per meter squared alternating current (AC).**

PHMSA could potentially issue a NPRM to modify **49 CFR 195** (Hazardous Liquid Pipelines) change to similar language in the coming 12-18 months.

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION
Pipeline and Hazardous Materials
Safety Administration

49 CFR Part 192
[Docket No. PHMSA-2011-0023; Amdt. No. 192-132]
RIN 2137-AF39

Pipeline Safety: Safety of Gas Transmission Pipelines: Repair Criteria, Integrity Management Improvements, Cathodic Protection, Management of Change, and Other Related Amendments

AGENCY: Pipeline and Hazardous Materials Safety Administration (PHMSA), Department of Transportation (DOT).

ACTION: Final rule.

SUMMARY: PHMSA is revising the Federal Pipeline Safety Regulations to improve the safety of onshore gas transmission pipelines. This final rule addresses several lessons learned following the Pacific Gas and Electric Company incident that occurred in San Bruno, CA, on September 9, 2010, and responds to public input received as part of the rulemaking process. The amendments in this final rule clarify certain integrity management provisions, codify a management of change process, update and bolster gas transmission pipeline corrosion control requirements, require operators to inspect pipelines following extreme weather events, strengthen integrity management assessment requirements, adjust the repair criteria for high-consequence areas, create new repair criteria for non-high consequence areas, and revise or create specific definitions related to the above amendments.

DATES: The final rule is effective May 24, 2023. The incorporation by reference of certain publications listed in the rule is approved by the Director of the Federal Register as of May 24, 2023. The incorporation by reference of other publications listed in this rule was approved by the Director of the Federal Register on July 1, 2020.

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I. Executive Summary
A. Purpose of the Regulatory Action
This final rule concludes a decade-long effort by PHMSA to amend its regulations governing onshore natural gas transmission pipelines in response to the tragic September 9, 2010, incident at a Pacific Gas and Electric Company (PG&E) gas transmission pipeline in San Bruno, CA, which resulted in the death of 8 people, injuries to more than 60 other people, and the destruction or damage of over 100 homes. PHMSA expects the new requirements in this final rule will reduce the frequency and consequences of failures and incidents from onshore natural gas transmission pipelines through earlier detection of threats to pipeline integrity, including those from corrosion or following extreme weather events. The safety enhancements in this final rule, therefore, are expected to improve public safety, reduce threats to the environment (including, but not limited to, reduction of greenhouse gas emissions released during natural gas pipeline incidents), and promote environmental justice for minority populations, low-income populations, and other underserved and disadvantaged communities that are located near interstate gas transmission pipelines.

Although the Federal Pipeline Safety Regulations (49 Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) parts 190 through 199; PSR) applicable to gas transmission and gathering pipeline systems set forth in parts 191 and 192 have increased the level of safety associated with the transportation of gas, serious safety incidents continue to occur on gas transmission and gathering pipeline systems, resulting in serious risks to life and property. In its investigation of the 2010 PG&E incident, the National Transportation Safety Board (NTSB) found among several causal factors that PG&E had an inadequate integrity management (IM) program that failed to detect and repair or remove a defective pipe section on its gas transmission line.¹ PG&E based its IM program on incomplete and inaccurate pipeline information, which led to among other issues, faulty risk assessments, improper assessment method selections, and internal assessments of the program that were superficial and resulted in no meaningful improvement.²

Prior to the PG&E incident, PHMSA had initiated an advance notice of proposed rulemaking (ANPRM) to seek comment on whether the IM requirements in part 192 should be changed and whether other issues related to pipeline system integrity should be addressed by strengthening or expanding non-IM requirements.

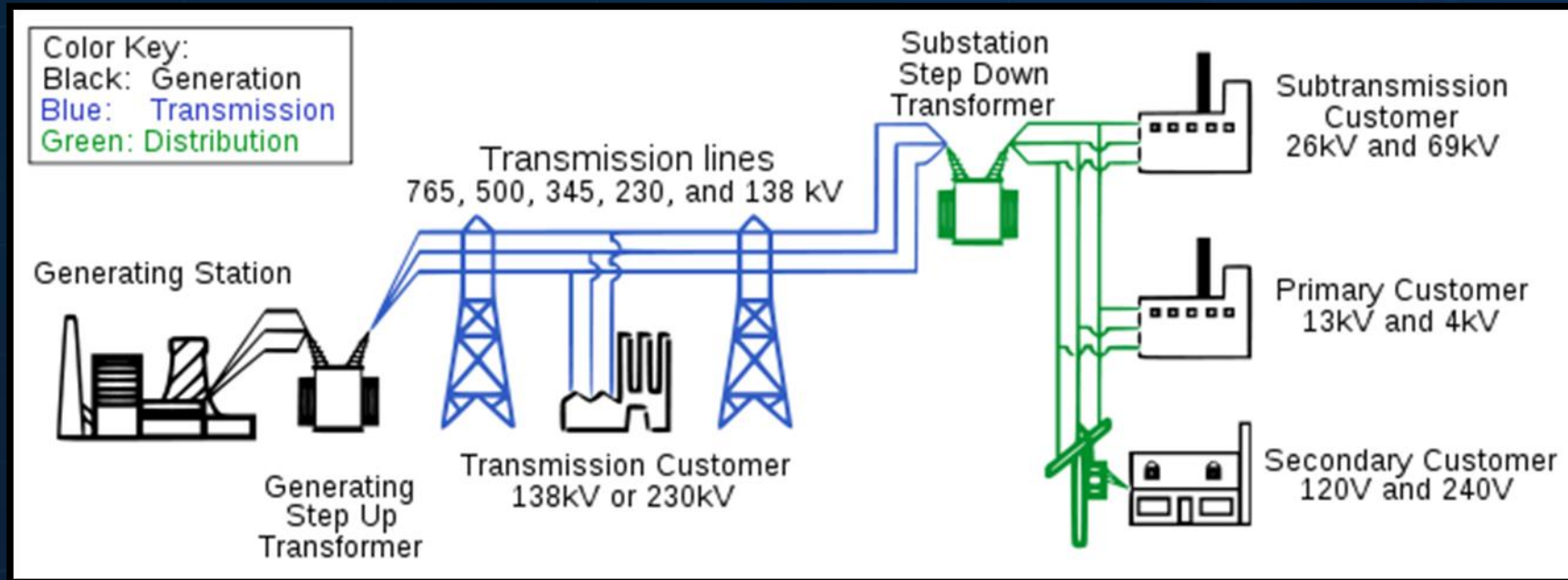
¹ NTSB, NTSB/PAR-11-01, "Pipeline Accident Report: Pacific Gas and Electric Company, Natural Gas Transmission Pipeline Rupture and Fire, San Bruno, California, September 9, 2010" (2011) (NTSB Incident Report on San Bruno).

² NTSB Incident Report on San Bruno at 107–115.

Basic Power Transmission

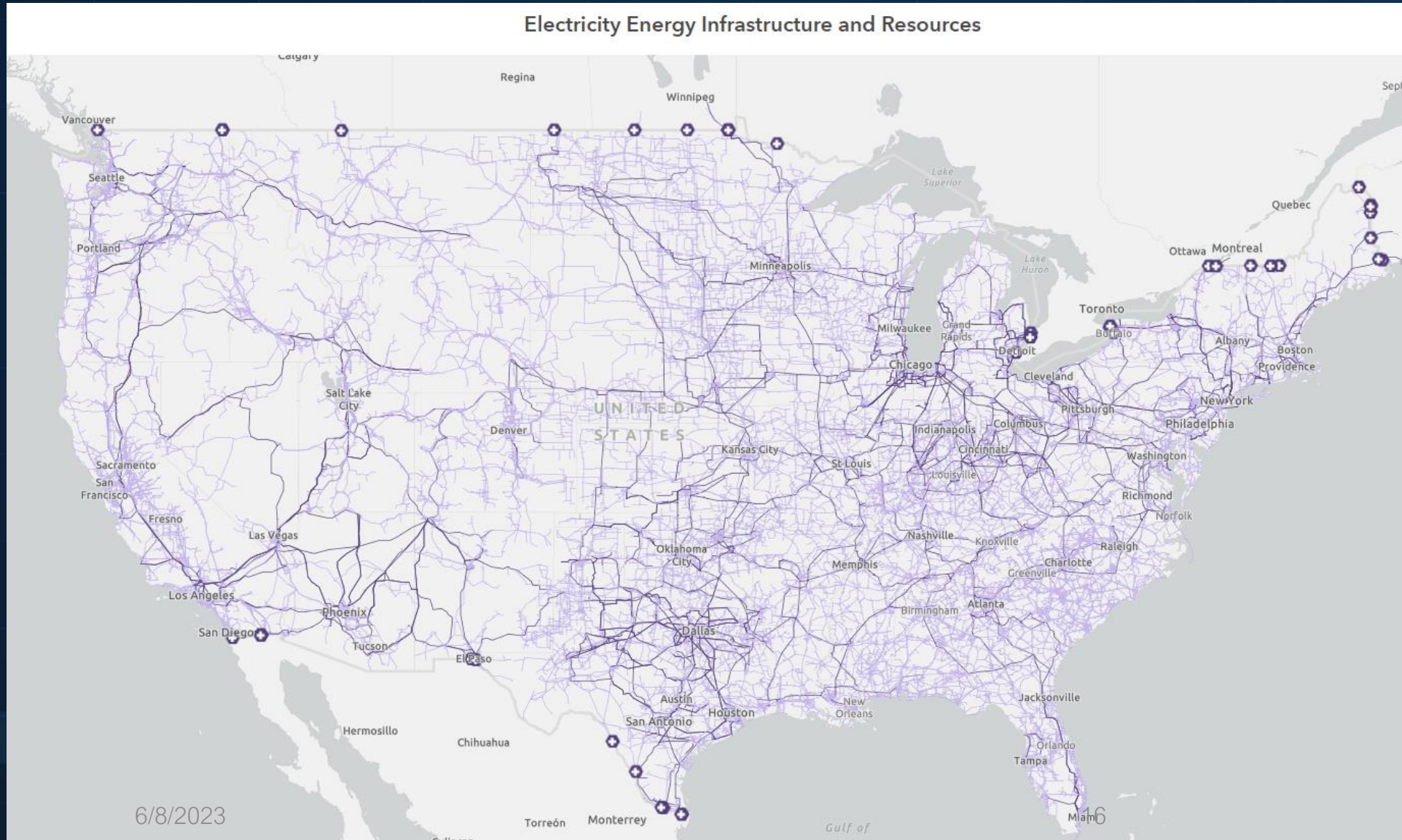
Alternating Current – Power Grid System

A system of high tension cables by which electrical power is distributed throughout a region

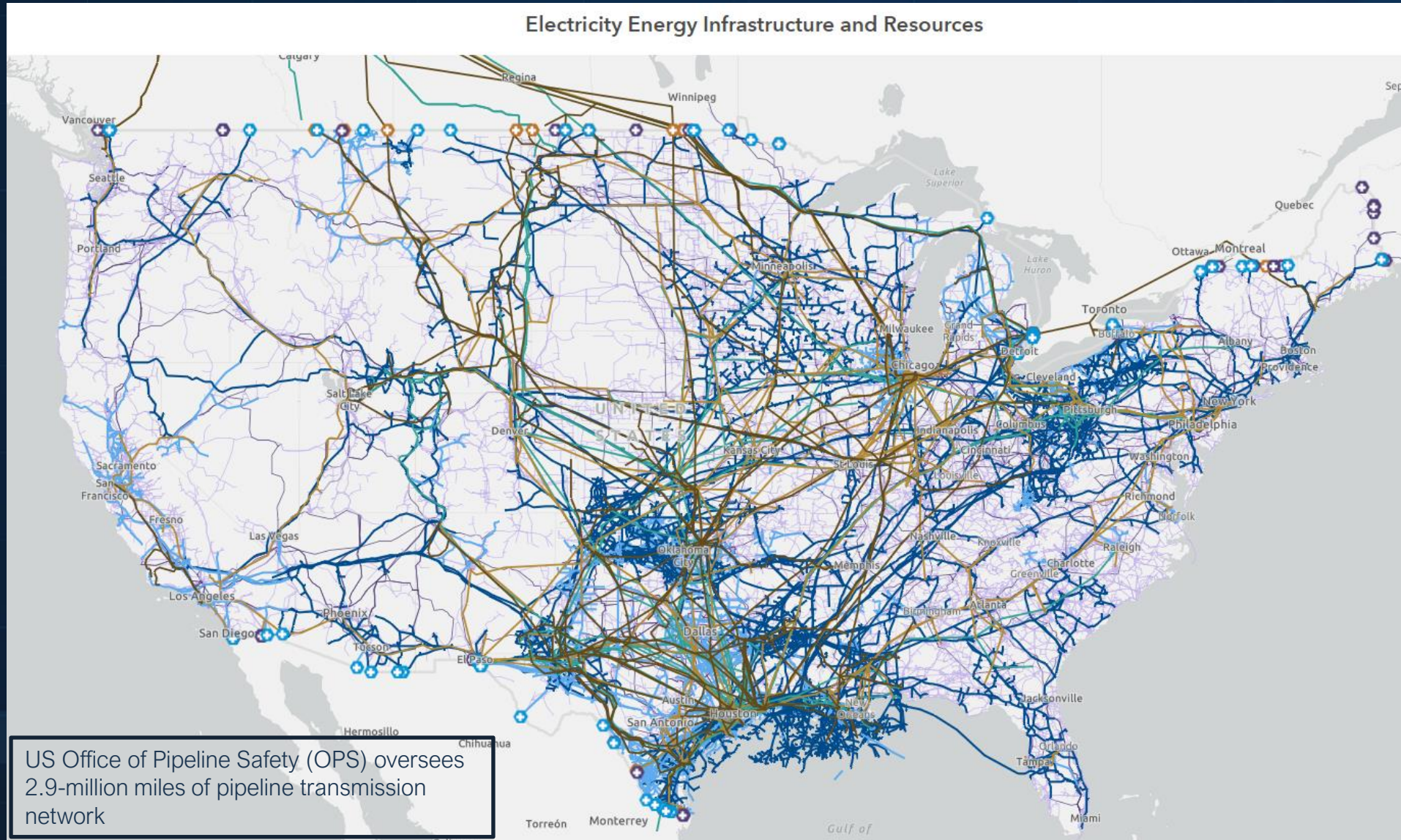


Power travels from the power plant to your house through a system called the **power distribution grid**.

United States Power Transmission Grid



With US Pipeline Grid Overlaid



Induced AC Right-of-Way Safety

Personnel Safety

Safety – Touch & Step Potentials

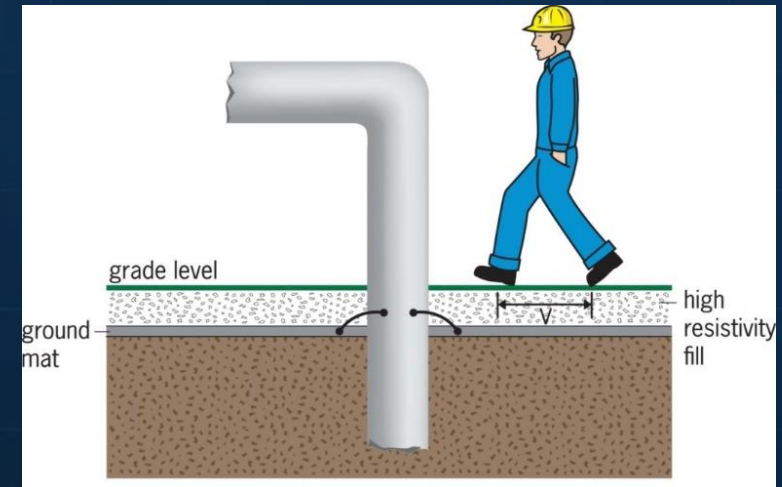
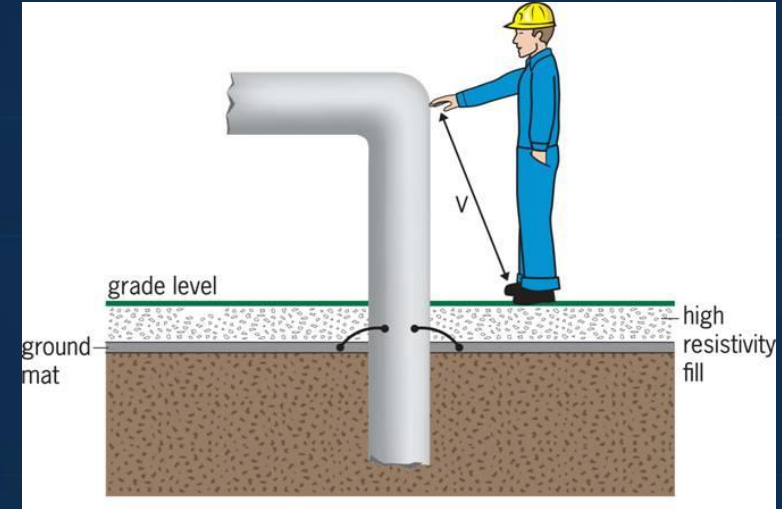
- General Public
- Company Personnel
- Livestock & Other Animals

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From AMPP SP0177-2019: Mitigation of Alternating Current and Lightning Effects on Metallic Structures and Corrosion Control Systems

Table 3
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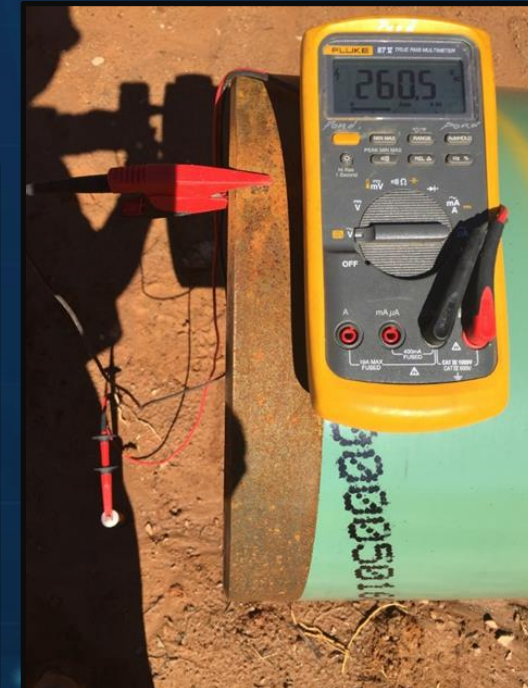
Dry skin	100,000 to 600,000 ohms
Wet skin	1,000 ohms
Internal body—hand to foot	400 to 600 ohms
Ear to ear	about 100 ohms



AC Interference – Safety Concerns

Maintaining personnel safety should be considered at all times including :

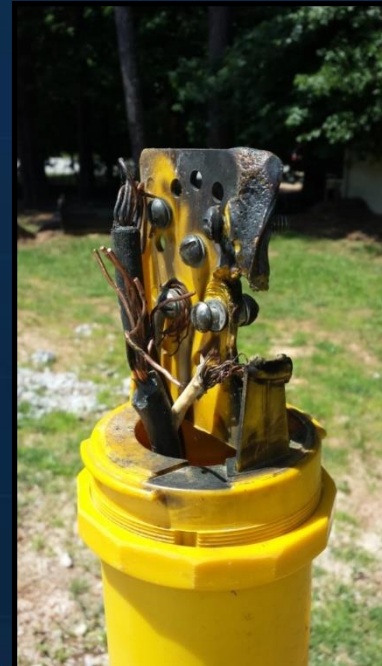
1. Construction phase:
 - Temporary grounding connections (bonds)
 - Ground Rods
 - Bare pipe casing
 - Grounding straps on vehicles/equipment
2. Typical Operation & Maintenance:
 - AC Mitigation Measures
 - Employee PPE



AC Interference – Safety Concerns

Safety –Touch Potentials

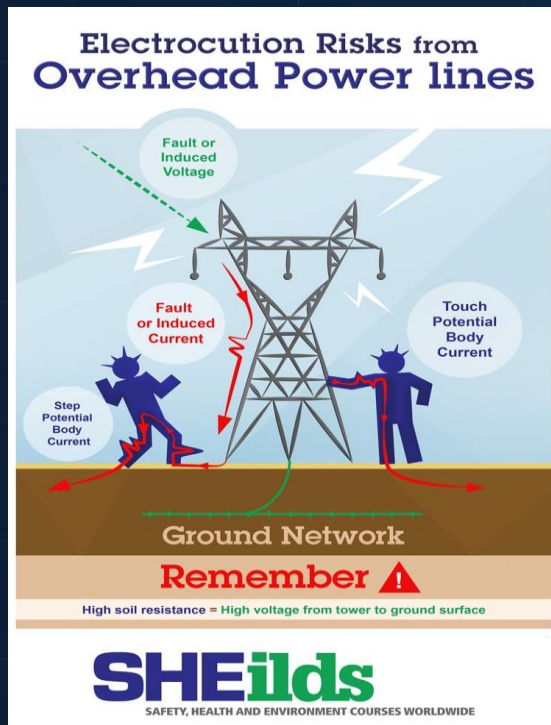
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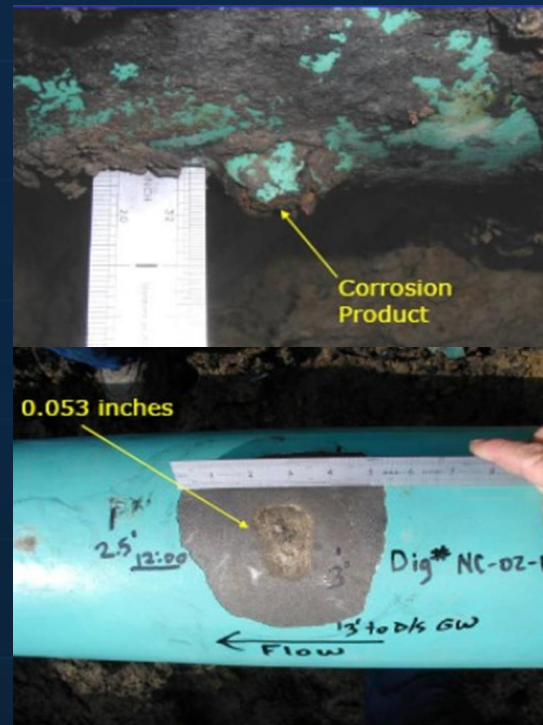
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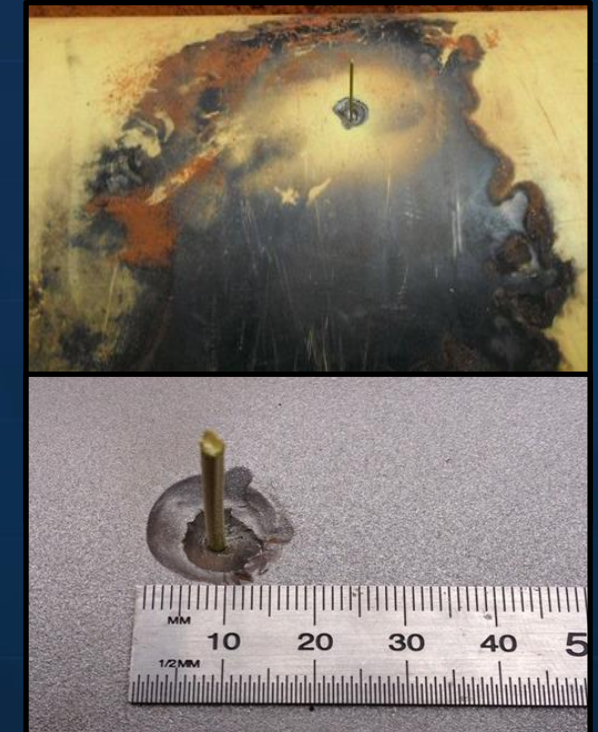
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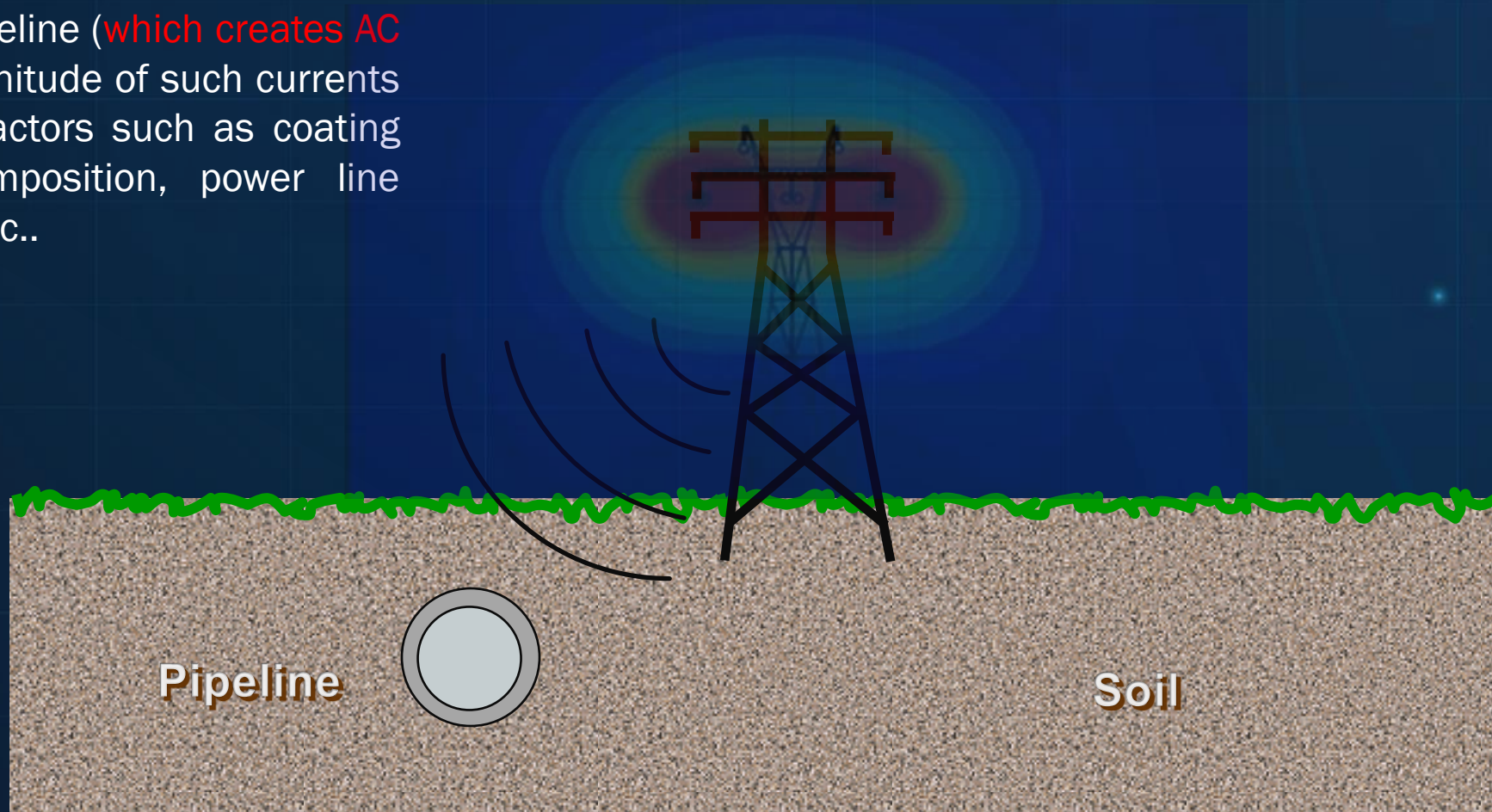
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AC Interference

The **magnetic field** generated by the overhead power lines **induces an AC voltage** onto the pipeline (**which creates AC currents**). The magnitude of such currents depend on many factors such as coating condition, soil composition, power line voltage, distance, etc..



AC Interference – (3) Issues



1. Electrostatic (Capacitive) Coupling

Affects aboveground structures only

- such as a pipeline during construction, above ground test station, a car, or pipe stored near ditch

2. Electromagnetic (Inductive) Coupling

Affects structures above or below ground

Structure acts as secondary coil

- Most important component, steady state conditions, causes AC corrosion of steel as well as personnel hazard potential

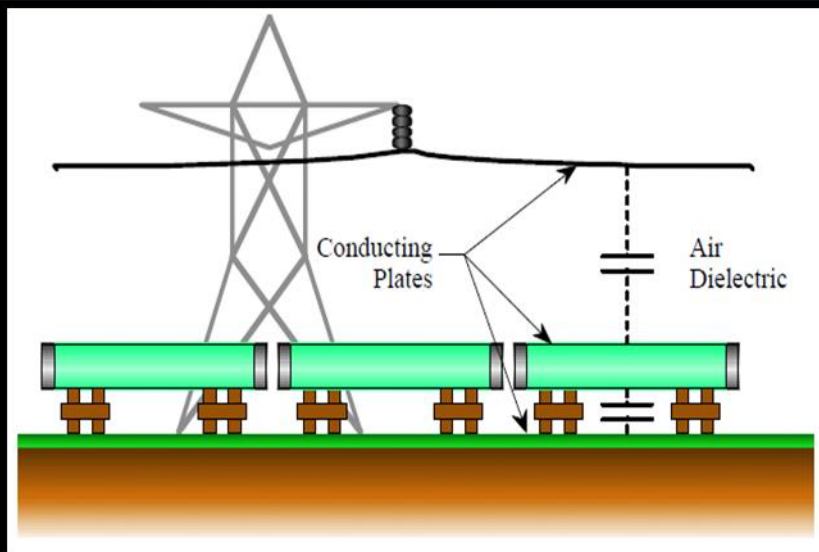
3. Conductive (Resistive) Coupling

Affects only buried structures (during line faults)

- Rare emergency/safety related occurrences, high magnitude conditions, coating stress, pipeline damage, personnel safety.

AC Interference | Capacitive Coupling

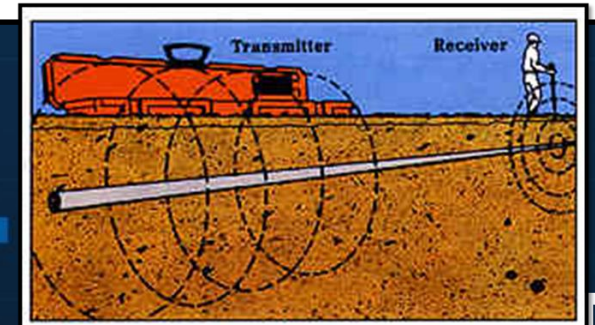
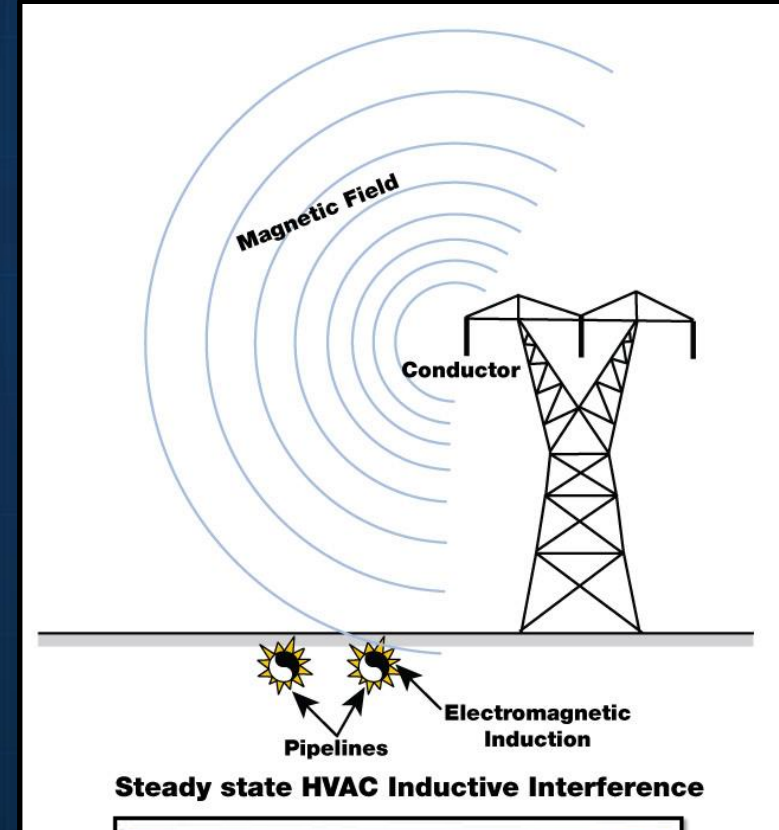
Caused by accumulation of **electro-static voltage** resulting in a **capacitance coupling** (buildup) between the power line and the pipeline.



AC Interference | Inductive Coupling

Caused by current flow in **steady state operations** of the transmission power line which creates an **electromagnetic field surrounding the paralleling pipeline**. Most Common Concern.

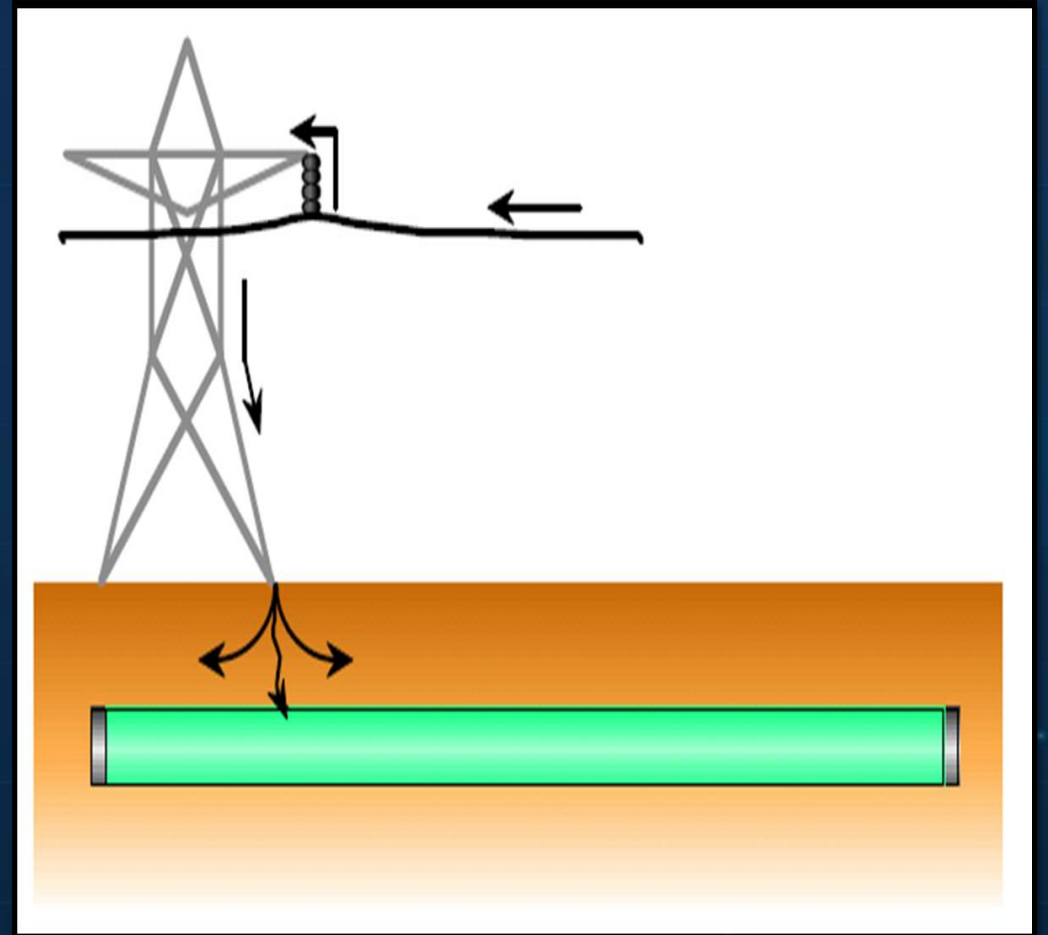
- Occurs during normal operating conditions of the power line.
- Magnitude can reach 100's of volts and presenting shock hazards.
- Pipelines within 1000 lf of a HVAC power line should be investigated in particular, if they share a common ROW in parallel.
- Can create operational issues with SCADA/MOVs and can cause AC Corrosion



AC Interference | Resistive Coupling

Direct contact between a live component of the power line and an exposed metallic structure. Occur during ground fault conditions or during lightning strikes.

- ❑ Not common.
- ❑ Short duration (breakers will trip). Typically, 0.1 seconds or less on high voltage systems.
- ❑ Potentials can exceed 15,000 volts.
- ❑ Pipeline ruptures have occurred due to these fault conditions. Can cause melting or cracking of the pipe wall.
- ❑ Coating stress for voltage in excess 5,000 volts for newer, high strength, dielectric coatings, i.e. Fusion Bonded Epoxy (FBE).
- ❑ Metal loss due to AC currents ~ *2.0 lbs./amp-year (~10% of DC metal loss)* ; but the magnitude is potentially much higher. Especially, in ground fault conditions.



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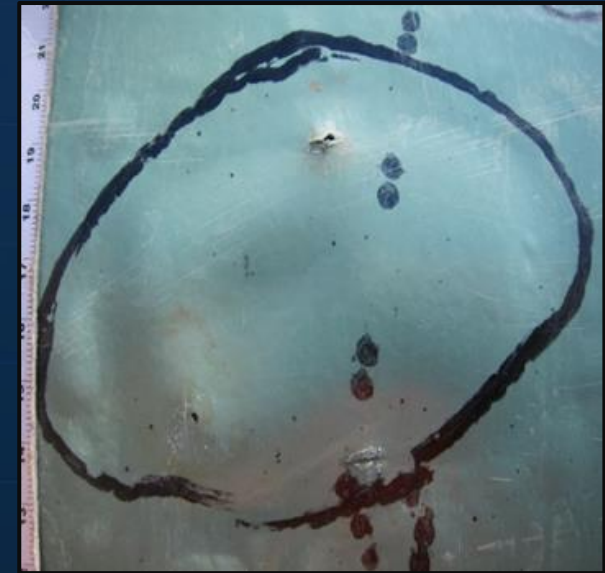
CAUSES OF POWERLINE FAULT CONDITIONS

- ❑ On high voltage powerlines faults are most likely to occur as the result of lightning, which can ionize the air in the vicinity of an insulator.
- ❑ High winds
- ❑ Failure of the powerline structures or insulators.
- ❑ Accidental contact between powerlines and other structures (cranes, construction equipment, etc.).



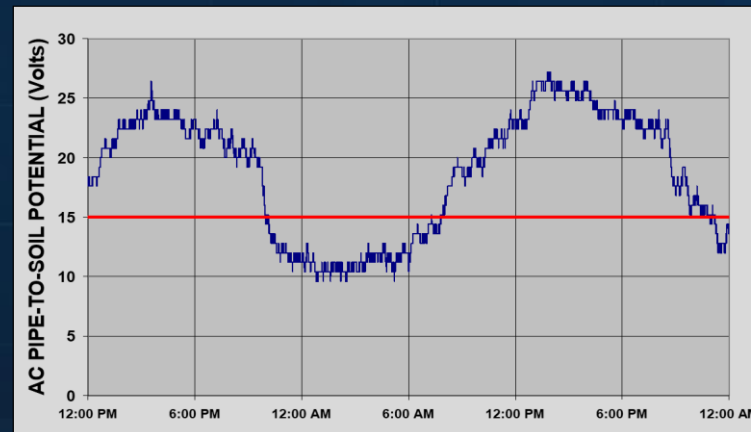
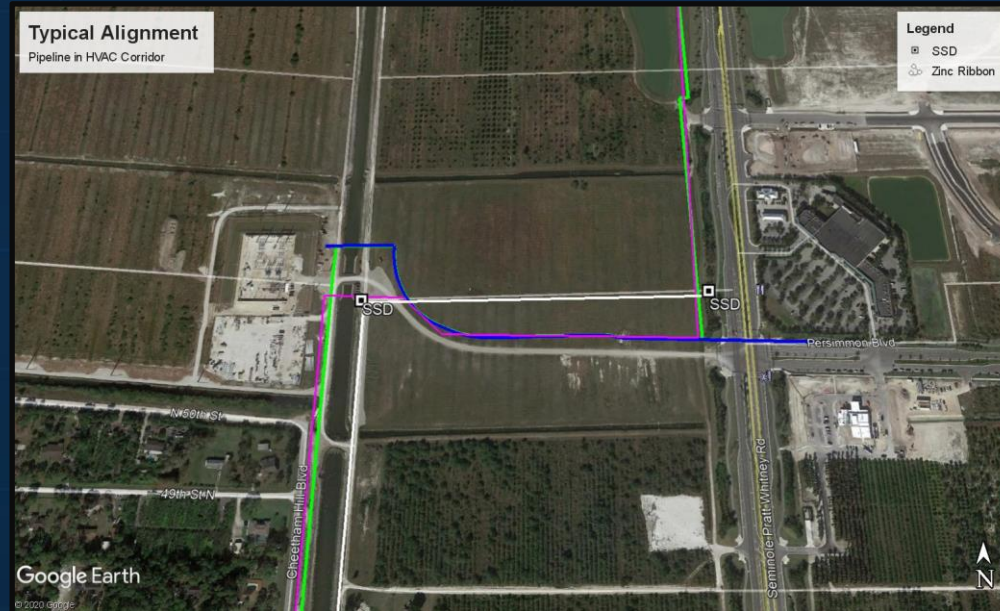
AC Interference – Resistive Coupling

Fault current is transferred through the pipeline through the pipeline coating. The better the coating quality (i.e. fewer holidays) and the higher the coatings dielectric strength (breakdown voltage) the lower the current transfer to the pipeline.



Factors Influencing - AC Interference on Pipeline

- Pipeline coating type & quality.
- Soil Resistivity.
- Tower Geometry | Separation distance and orientation between power line and pipeline
- Power line operating characteristics.
- Magnitude of steady state current in power line.
- Magnitude and duration of fault currents.
- Tower grounding characteristics.



AC CORROSION

AC Corrosion Current Density

Based on recent studies of AC corrosion related failures, the following guideline was developed:

- AC induced corrosion **does not occur** at AC current densities less than 20 A/m^2 ($\sim 1.86 \text{ A/ft}^2$).
- AC corrosion is **unpredictable** for AC current densities between 20 to 100 A/m^2 ($\sim 1.86 \text{ A/ft}^2$ to 9.3 A/ft^2).
- AC corrosion **typically occurs** at AC current densities greater than 100 A/m^2 ($\sim 9.3 \text{ A/ft}^2$).

Highest corrosion rates occur at **very small coating defects** with surface areas between 1 and 3 cm^2 ($0.16 \text{ in}^2 - 0.47 \text{ in}^2$)

SP21424-2018 AC Corrosion Criteria:

New studies cite **30 A/m^2** as lower end of “Unpredictable” range for new pipelines, with the possible exception of an intermediate AC current density of **50 A/m^2** limit at HDDs used by the vast majority of pipeline operators.

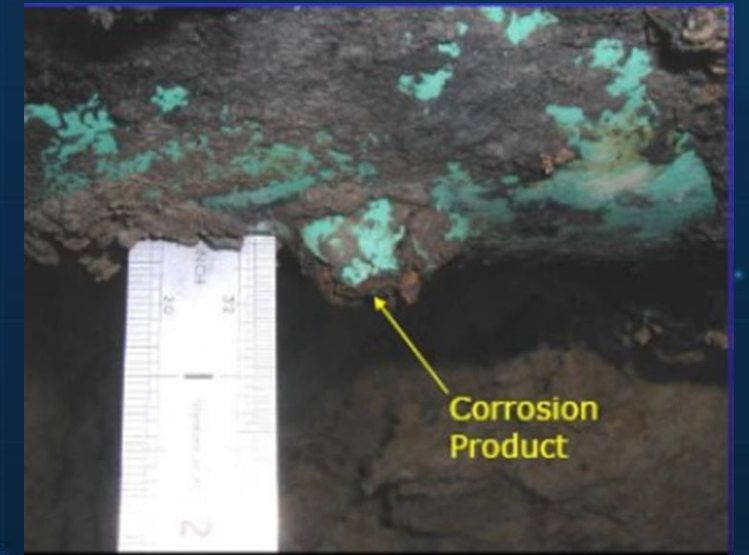
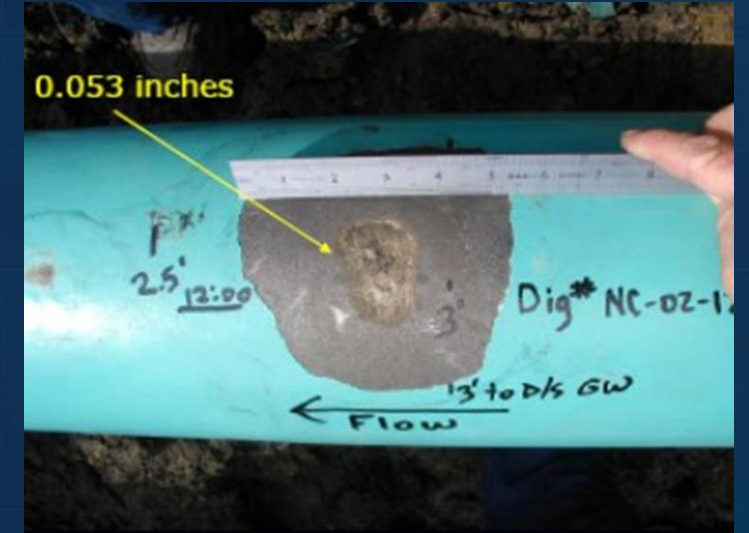


Surface Area of a US Dime = 2.54 cm^2

AC Corrosion

Characteristics of AC corrosion:

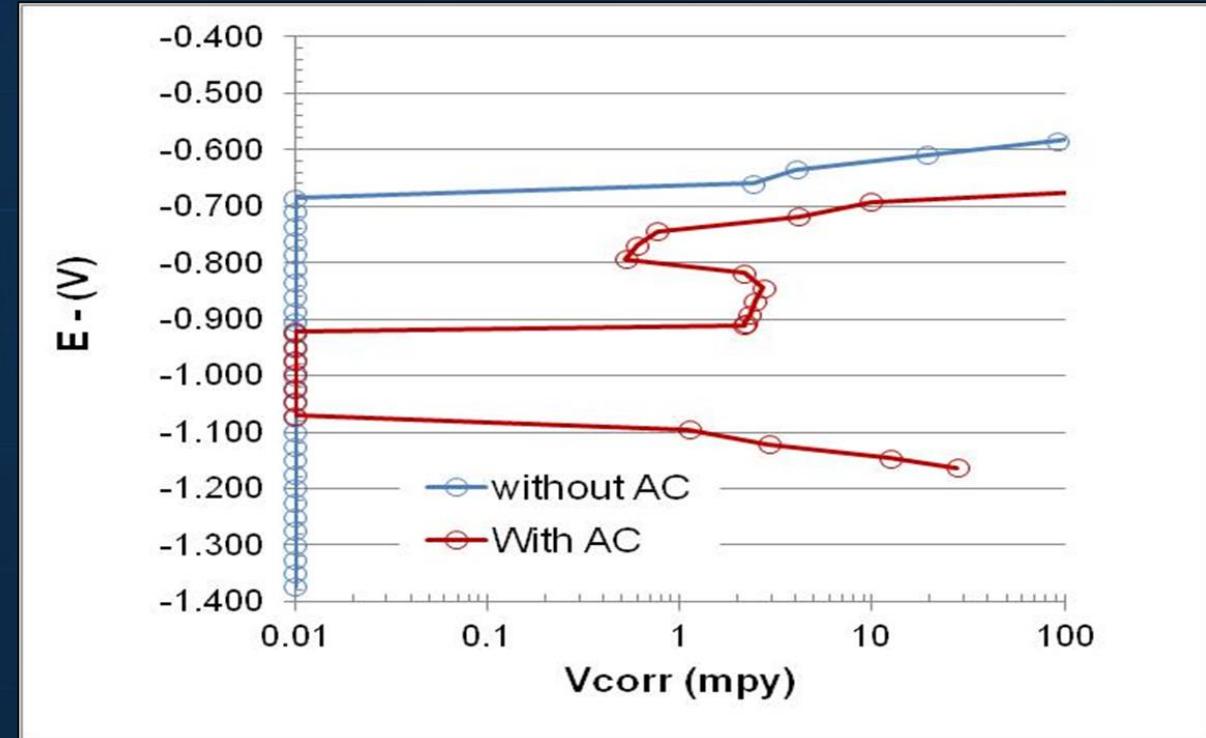
1. Typically located in areas of low soil resistivity.
2. Typically located at coating defects.
3. Hard dome shaped cluster of soil and corrosion products.
4. Typically results in rounded shaped pits.
5. Typically pit size larger than coating defect.



AC Corrosion

Recent studies related to AC have concluded the following:

1. AC does not have any significant effect on the polarization or depolarization of cathodically protected steel.
2. It has been found that excessive amounts of CP can actually increase AC corrosion rates. This has been attributed to the lowering of the electrolyte resistivity immediately adjacent to the site of the holiday, which coincides with the high pH resulting from increased levels of CP.



CP can reduce AC corrosion impact...
but too much CP can make things much much worse!

AC Induced Current Density Calculation

Likelihood of AC corrosion can be determined by approximating the AC current density using Ohm's Law where:

$$i_{ac} = \frac{8V_{ac}}{\rho\pi d}$$

i = AC current density (A/m²)

V_{AC} = AC voltage of the pipeline (V)

ρ = soil resistivity (at holiday, not bulk soil) (Ω -m)

d = diameter of a circular holiday having an area equal to that of the actual holiday (m)

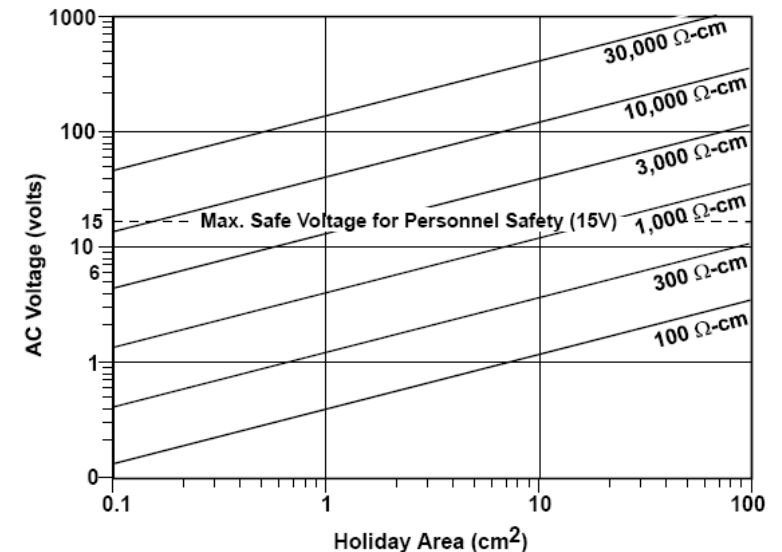


Figure 3-55: AC Voltage Required to Produce 100 A/m² Current Density for a Variety of Holiday Sizes and Soil Resistivities

How Much AC Voltage is Too Much?

Assumptions:

- Soil resistivity is low: 1,000 Ω -cm (10 Ω -m)
- Worst case coating holiday: 1 cm² = diameter 0.011 m

Voltage needed to reach 20 A/m²

$$\begin{aligned} \text{■ } V_{ac} &= \frac{i_{ac}(\rho\pi d)}{8} = \frac{20(10)(\pi)(0.011)}{8} \\ \text{■ } V_{ac} &= 0.864 V_{ac} \end{aligned}$$

Voltage needed to reach 100 A/m²

$$\begin{aligned} \text{■ } V_{ac} &= \frac{i_{ac}(\rho\pi d)}{8} = \frac{100(10)(\pi)(0.011)}{8} \\ \text{■ } V_{ac} &= 4.32 V_{ac} \end{aligned}$$

- With the given parameters:
- AC corrosion could be possible with as little as 0.864 V_{ac} .
- AC corrosion will be likely with as little as 4.32 V_{ac} .

How Much AC Voltage is Too Much?

Assumptions:

- Soil resistivity is low: 35,000 Ω -cm (350 Ω -m)
- Worst case coating holiday: 1 cm² = diameter 0.011 m

Voltage needed to reach 20 A/m²

$$\begin{aligned} \text{■ } V_{ac} &= \frac{i_{ac}(\rho\pi d)}{8} = \frac{20(350)(\pi)(0.011)}{8} \\ \text{■ } V_{ac} &= 30.24 V_{ac} \end{aligned}$$

Voltage needed to reach 100 A/m²

$$\begin{aligned} \text{■ } V_{ac} &= \frac{i_{ac}(\rho\pi d)}{8} = \frac{100(350)(\pi)(0.011)}{8} \\ \text{■ } V_{ac} &= 151.20 V_{ac} \end{aligned}$$

AC Interference – Pipeline Integrity Concerns

Pipeline Integrity / Asset Protection

- AC Corrosion
- Equipment Reliability
- Coating Damage
- Mechanical Integrity Pipe Wall Loss
- Potentials Impact on CP Effectiveness & Monitoring

Review - Key Points:

Most important things to remember related to AC Voltages:

- 15-volt AC Limitation for Protection of Personnel
- Voltages of 1000 volts - 3000 volts Causes Coating Damage
- > 5000 volts Can Cause Pipe Structural Damage
- AC does not have any significant effect on the polarization or depolarization of cathodically protected steel
- AC corrosion typically occurs at AC current densities greater than 100 A/m^2 ($\sim 9.3 \text{ A/ft}^2$).
- Highest corrosion rates occur at coating defects with surface areas between 1 and 3 cm^2 ($0.16 \text{ in}^2 - 0.47 \text{ in}^2$)

AC Interference Modeling

AC Interference | Computer Modeling

Several organizations and companies have developed software to model complex Right-of-Way conditions related to Induced AC voltages. This is the most efficient means to effectively evaluate “What If Scenarios” during the design phase. The modeling involves very complex mathematical formulae to analyze the various scenarios.

The range from affordable to very expensive (~ \$40,000/license), and all have Pro’s and Con’s. Some industry available models are as follows:

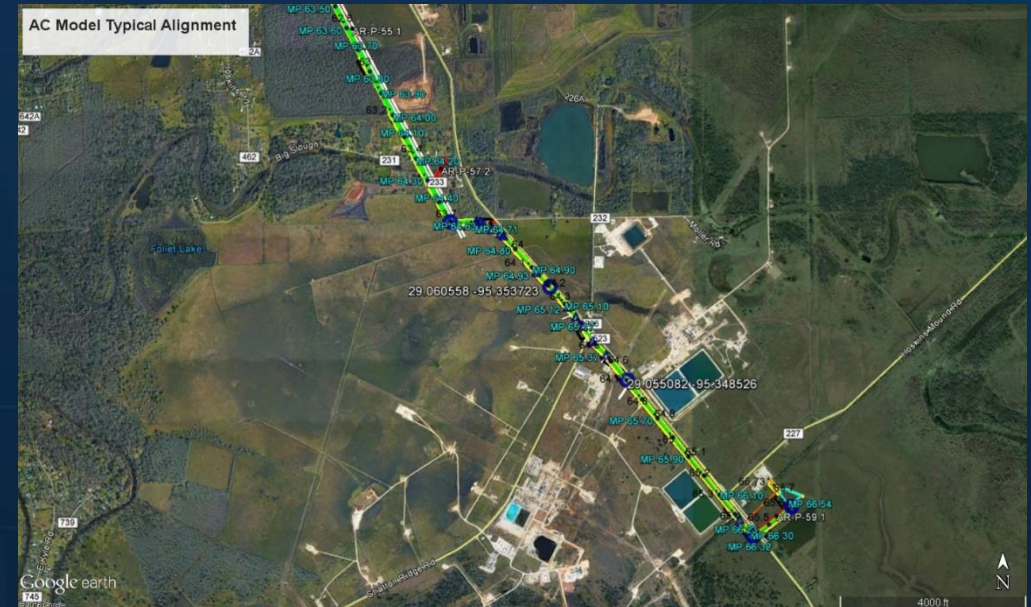
- Safe Engineering Services & Technologies (SES)
 - CDEGS
 - Safe ROW
- PRCI AC Mitigation Tool Box
- Technical Toolboxes – AC Mitigation PowerTool (ACPT)
- Elsyca IRIS
- OTHERS

RULE OF THUMB COSTS FOR FIELD DATA COLLECTION, MODELING AND DESIGN FEES FOR AC MITIGATION

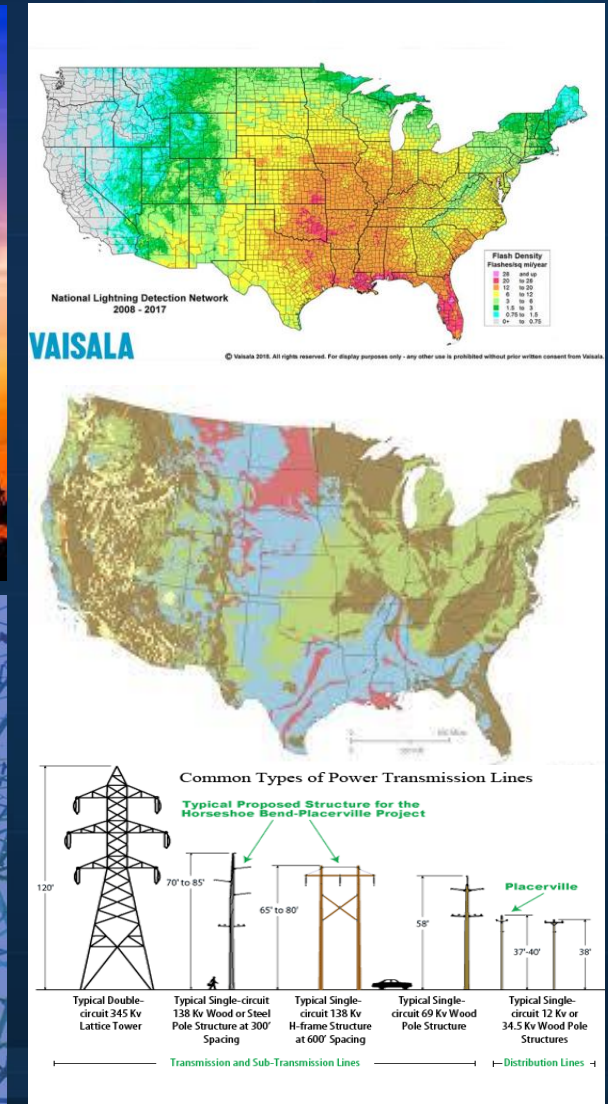
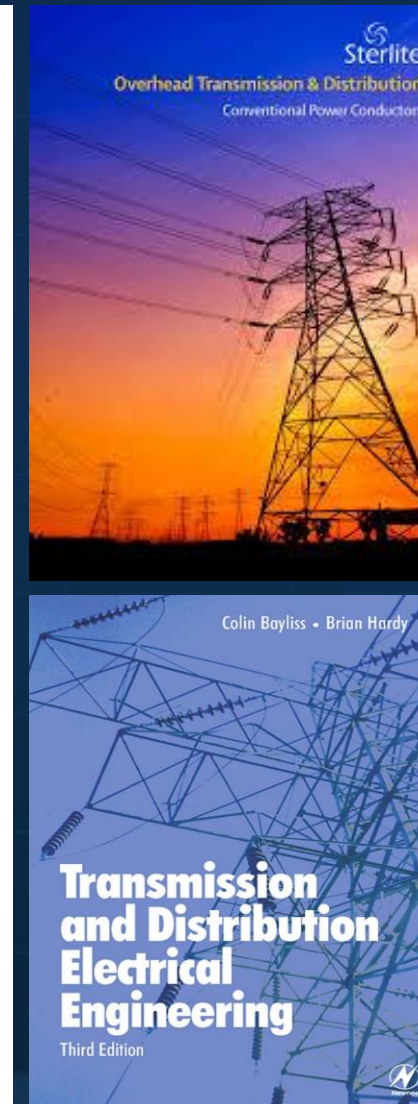
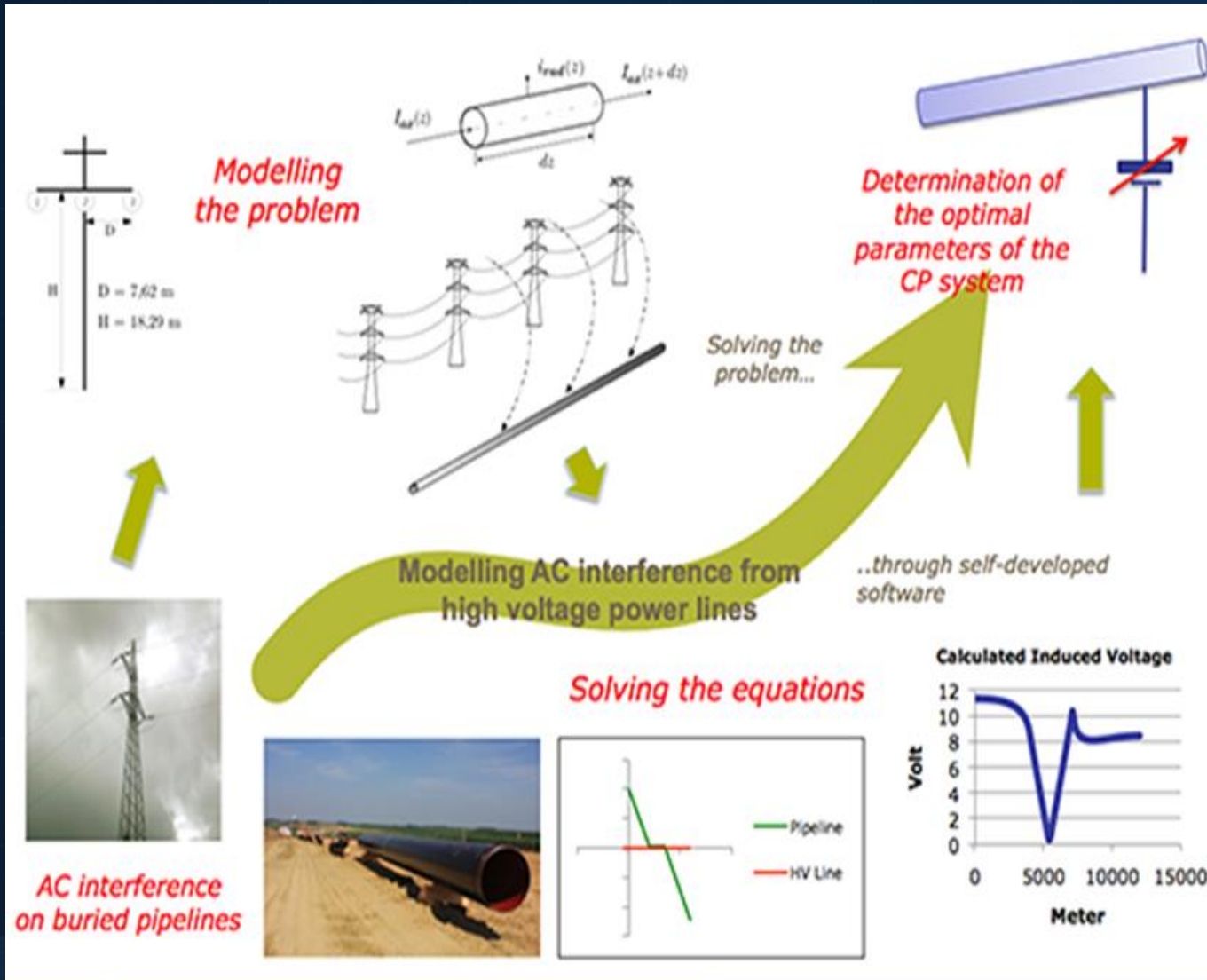
RANGE FROM \$2,000 TO \$4,000 /mile on up

For computer modeling only, \$1,000 to \$1,500 on up depending on complexity of the HVPL corridor.

GARBAGE IN = GARBAGE OUT



AC Interference | Use Available Resources



AC Interference | Data Necessary



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AC MITIGATION INVESTIGATION

For any AC Mitigation investigation and subsequent modeling, the following data will be required:

TYPICAL AC POWER TRANSMISSION DATA REQUIRED

- Tower geometry, configuration & GPS location
 - Tower grounding (ground resistance) details
 - HVPL conductor vertical heights
 - HVPL conductor horizontal separation distances
 - Shield wire data (ground height and separation distance)
 - HVPL sag height between towers
 - HVPL phase location / conductor arrangement with respect to pipe centerline
 - HVPL conductor type, size & rating for all phase and shield wires
- Locations of any phase transpositions
- Current loading under different conditions namely:
 - Steady State (Average)
 - Peak Load
 - Emergency conditions (for power line with multiple circuits)
- Fault information i.e. Duration, magnitude, etc.
- Power line-to-ground fault current at each end of the collocation, number of collocations, parallel runs, as well as at the midpoint. In other words, near the substation, halfway, etc. These are just approximate figures.
- Fault current split in the faulted conductor (i.e. - the current being fed from any of the directions). This will provide an indication of feedback conditions that may exist at a fault site.

PIPELINE DATA

- Physical attributes of the pipeline
 - Pipeline alignment sheets
 - Pipeline installation date
 - Pipeline length, diameter & wall thickness
 - Operational history i.e. (ILI anomalies, direct assessment findings)
 - Coating type, thickness and coating conductance
 - Detailed depth of cover and centerline GPS location in areas of collocation with the overhead HVPL AC lines
 - Pipeline crossing locations with the HVPL's
 - Location of above-grade appurtenances
 - Valves
 - Casings

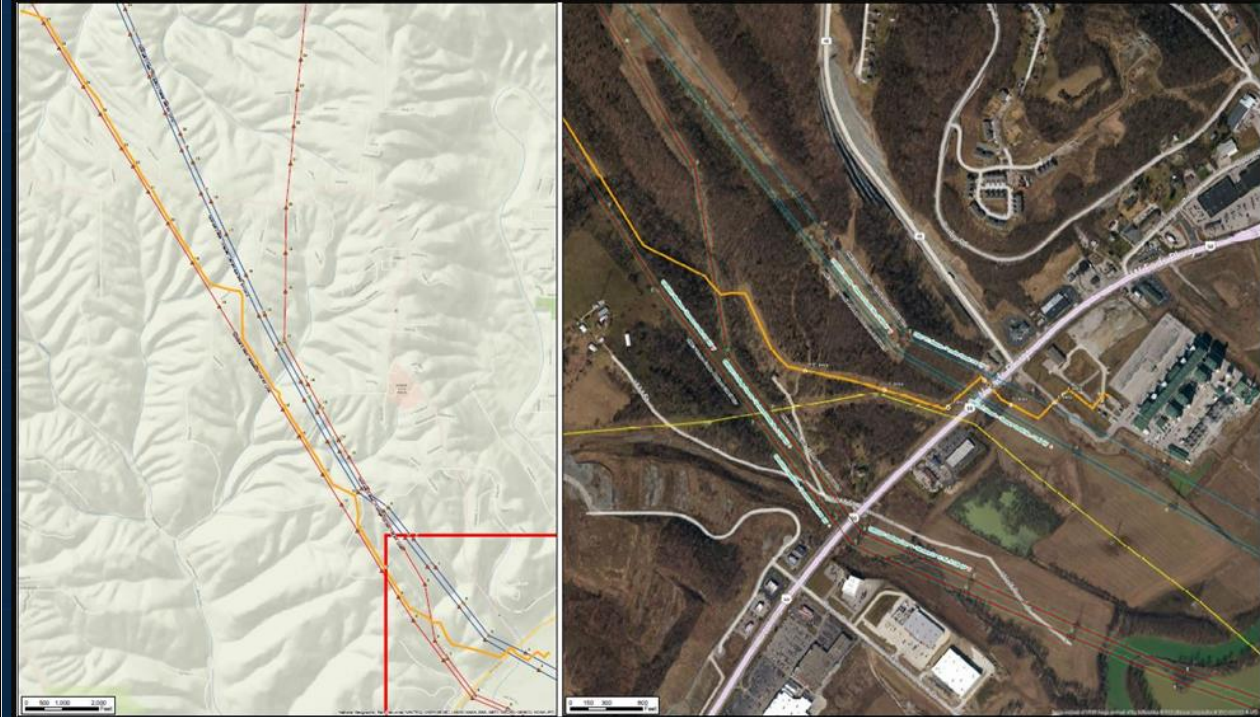
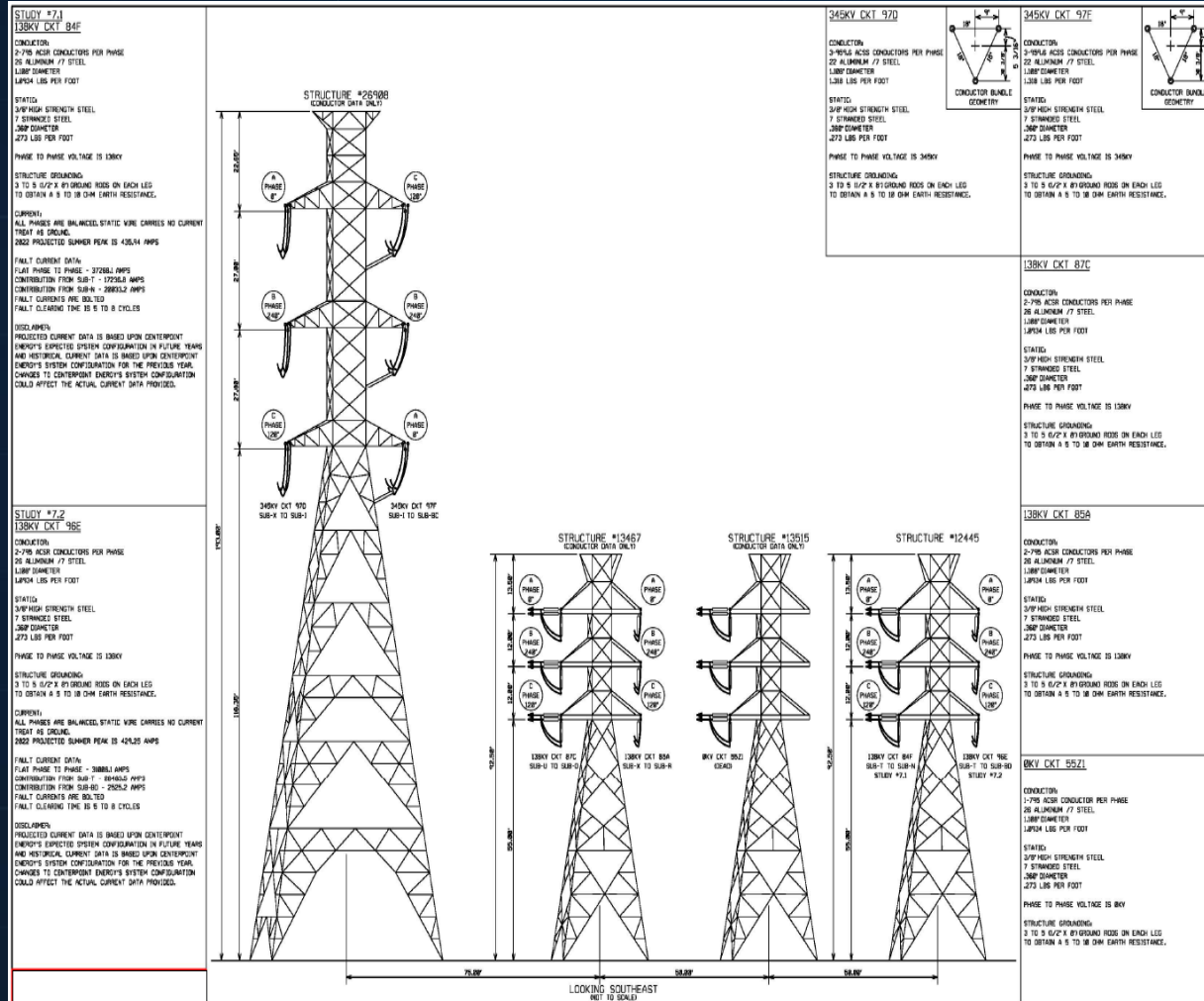
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- Pig Launchers/Receivers
- CP Test Stations
 - Location of foreign pipelines (crossings or parallel in same ROW)
- Existing cathodic protection ground bed data
 - Ground bed location & configuration
 - Output data

FIELD DATA

- GPS at key features
- Photos of key features
- HVPL tower location and geometry data if not provided by others
- Accurate soil resistivity (ASTM G-57 – Wenner 4-pin) data at various layers along the collocation. Minimum one (1) per mile at additional readings at any obvious resistivity changes. (Typical pin spacings 2.5', 5', 10', 15', 20', 25', 50' & 100')
- Field measured Longitudinal Electric Field (LEF) data at each soil resistivity location
- Representative 24 hour LEF data collection at key locations
- AC & DC potential measurements at existing test stations (if possible)
- Measurement of AC current density at AC coupon test stations (if possible)

AC Interference | Typical Power Company Data



AC Interference | Typical Power Company Data

FAULT CURRENT

Exposure level: Unless the pipeline has a direct, metallic connection to a power line grounding system (which is not recommended), the fault current is kept to moderate levels under most conditions due to the resistance offered by the pipeline coating and soil, and the limitations of the inductive coupling effect that produces this voltage.

AC Fault Current (amperes-rms) 50/60Hz

Model	1 cycle	3 cycles	10 cycles	30 cycles
1.2kA	2,100	1,600	1,400	1,200
2.0kA	5,300	4,500	3,700	2,000
3.7kA	6,500	5,000	4,200	3,700
5.0kA	8,800	6,800	5,700	5,000

Figure 2: AC Fault Current ratings for the Dairyland SSD

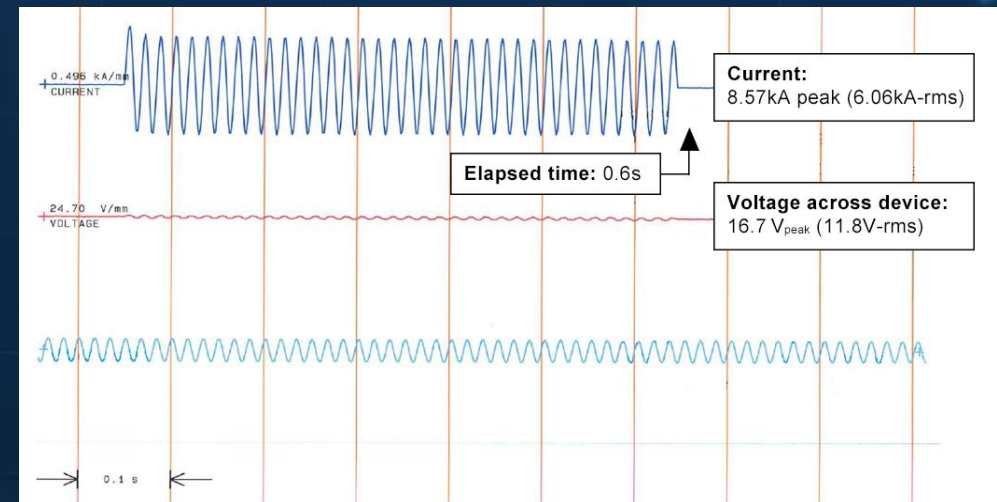
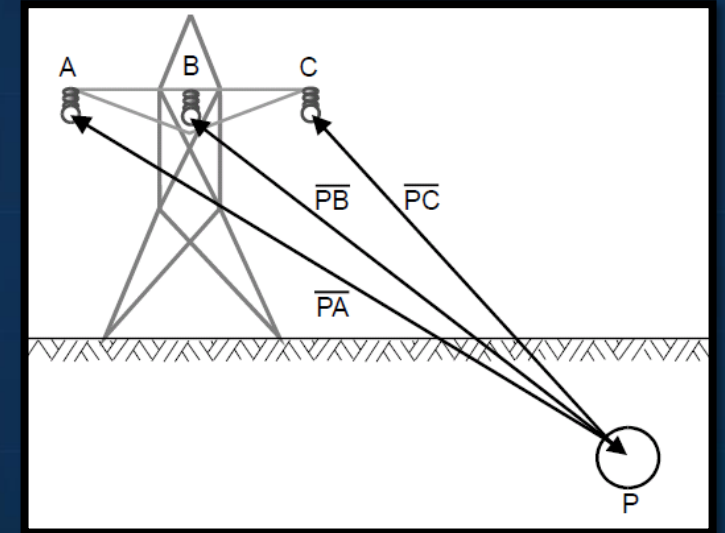


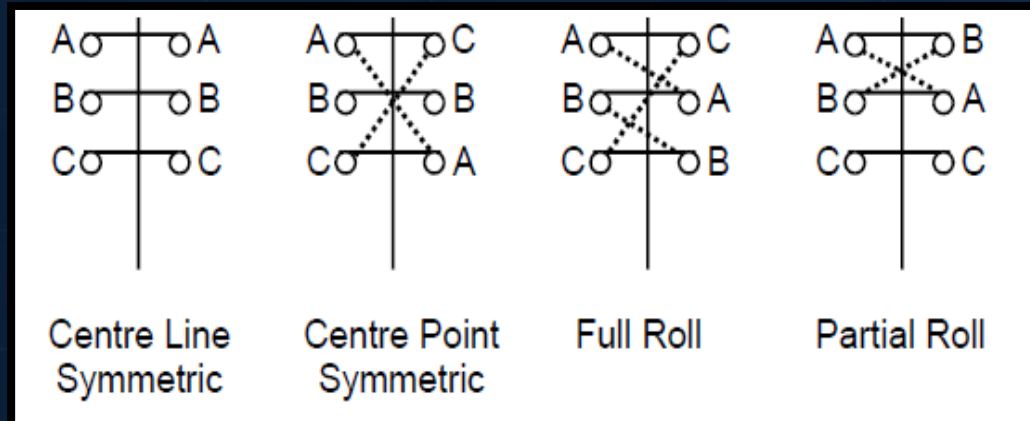
Figure 1: AC Fault Test of a Dairyland SSD-2/2-5.0-100

HVAC Tower Configurations:

In the “Single Horizontal Circuit” example shown, Phase C has the most effect on the pipe line and Phase A the least. The greater the separation distance the less effect by that Phase. **Figure to Right**

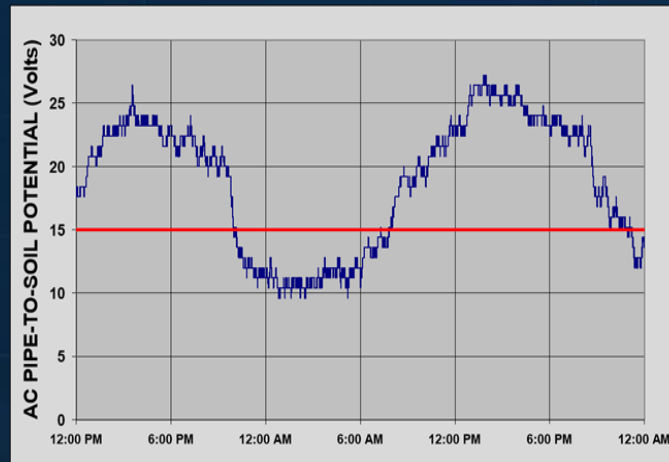
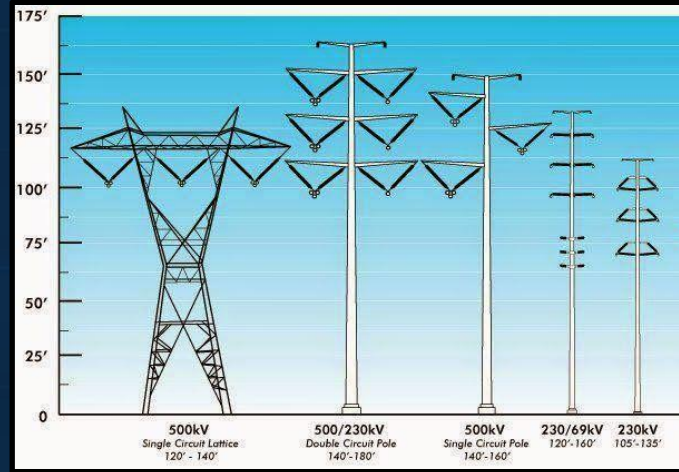


Effect of Phase Conductor Separation



Phase Arrangements for Double Vertical Circuit

AC Interference – Data Necessary for Modeling



Pipeline Electrical Characteristics:

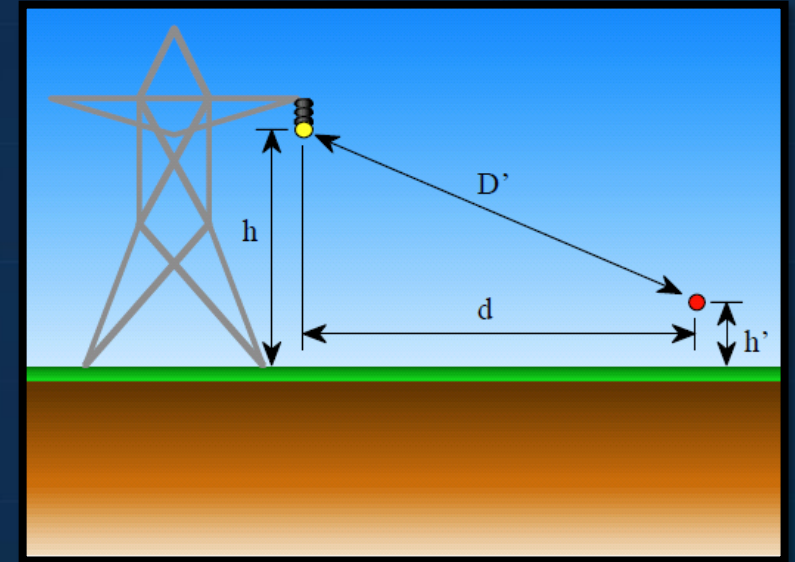
Longitudinal Electric Field (LEF):

One of the most difficult steps in the calculation of induced voltages is in the determination of the magnitude and phase angle of the LEF to which section of the pipeline is exposed. Then, the pipeline must be sectionalized where each section exhibits uniform characteristics for analysis:

The LEF resulting from a $I\phi$ flowing in a powerline conductor is a function of the mutual impedance Z_M between the pipeline and the powerline.

$$E = I_{\phi} \cdot Z_M \quad [3-54]$$

Z_M , Mutual Impedance Between 2 Parallel Conductors



Pipeline-Powerline Geometry for Calculation of LEF

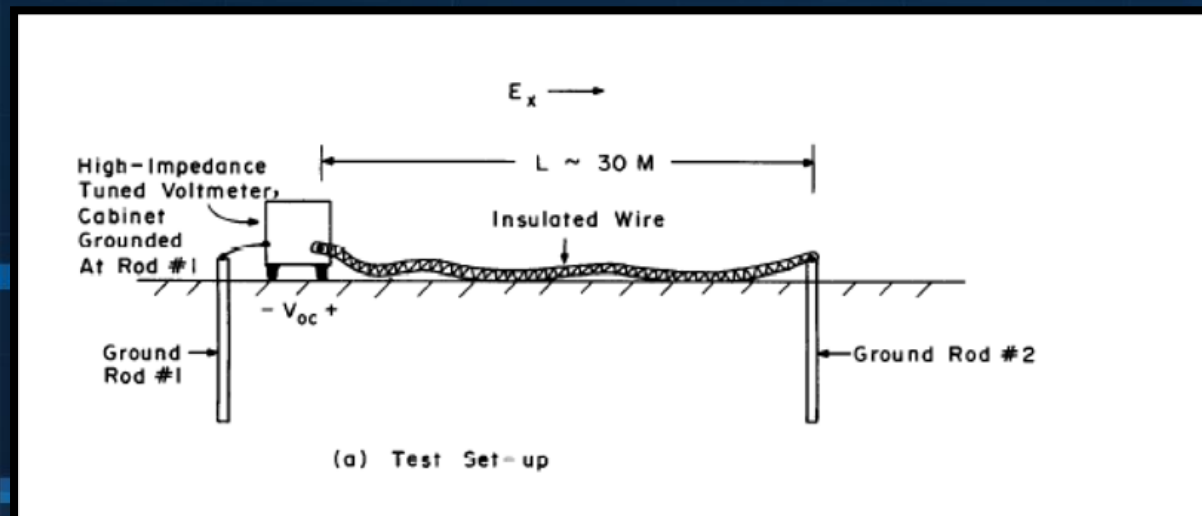
$$Z_M = j \cdot f \cdot \mu_0 \cdot \ln \frac{\sqrt{(h - h' + 2\sqrt{\rho / j2\pi f \mu_0})^2 + d^2}}{\sqrt{(h + h')^2 + d^2}}$$

where:

- f = frequency (Hz)
- μ_0 = permeability of free space
= 1.26×10^{-6} H/m
- ρ = soil resistivity (Ω -m)
- j = complex operator

and where: h, h', d , and D define the pipeline-powerline geometry

Field Simulation of Longitudinal Electric Field (LEF):

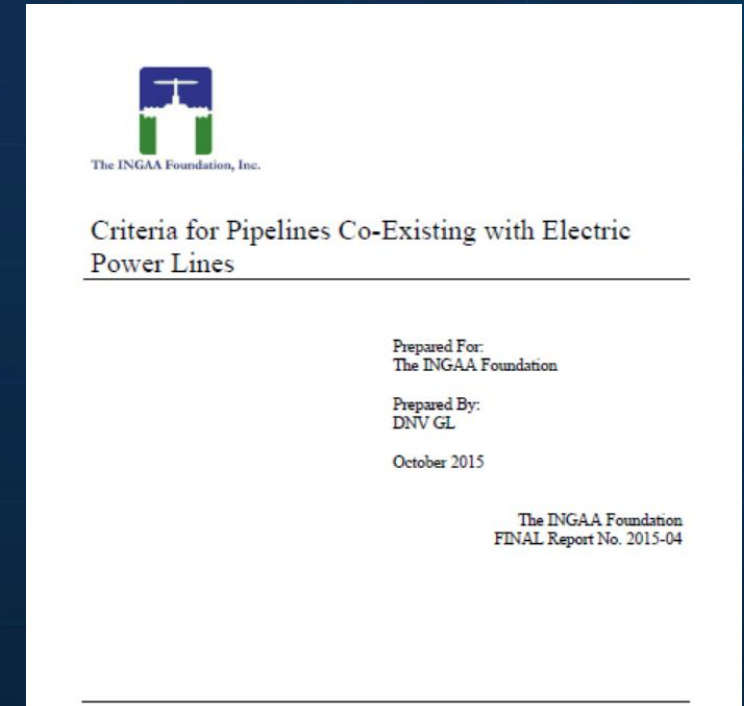


INGAA Study – AC Modeling

- INGAA Foundation Study (<http://www.ingaa.org>) – “Criteria for Pipelines Co-Existing with Electric Power Lines”
- Study Performed by Det Norske Veritas (U.S.A.) Inc. (DNV GL)
- Project commenced May 2014; Final Report issued October 2015
- Provides guidelines for risk analysis based on five criteria
- A major conclusion of the study encourages sharing of TL data to foster closer coordination between pipeline operators and transmission line companies



Available on INGAA Foundation web site at:
<http://www.ingaa.org/Foundation/Foundation-Reports/24712.aspx>



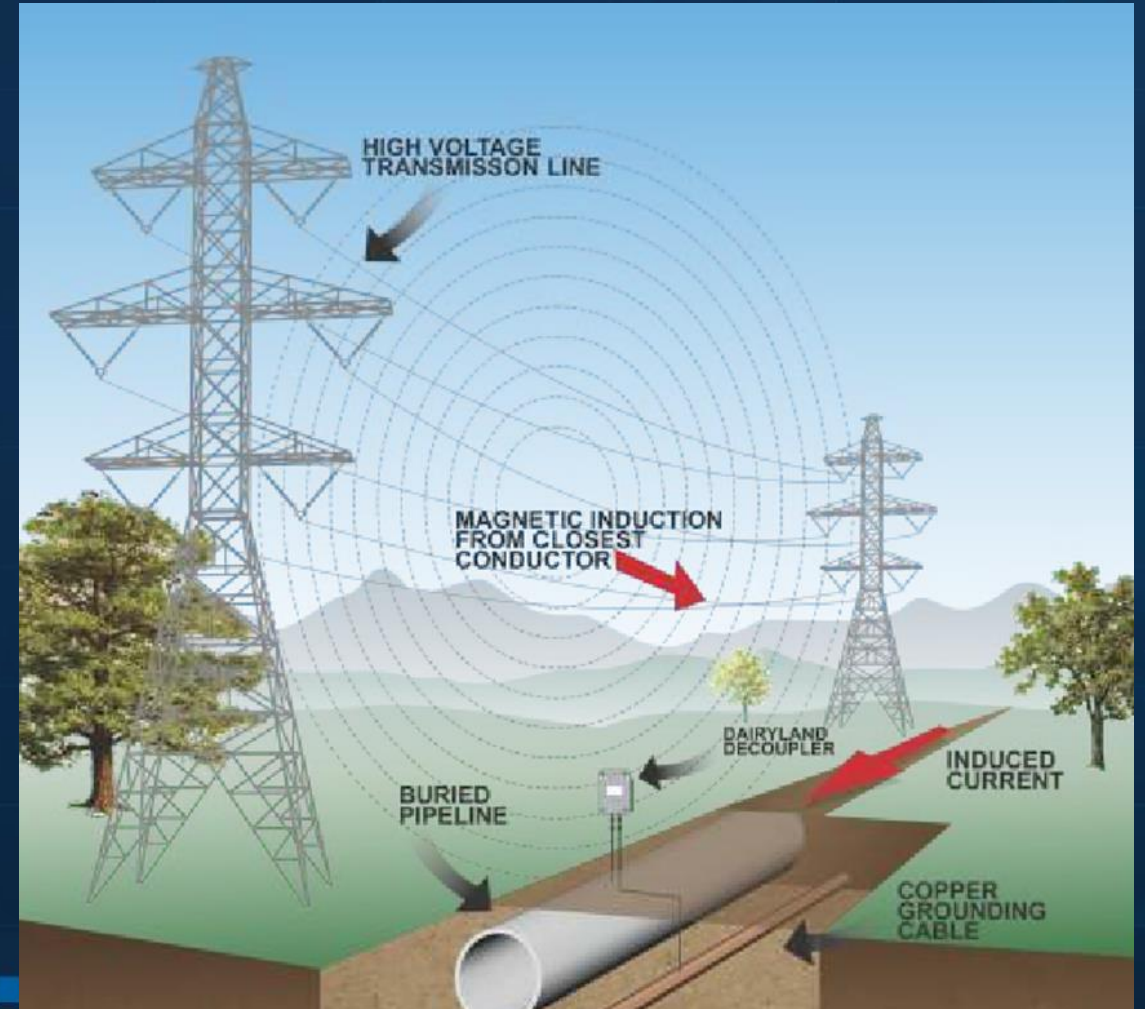
Reason for the INGAA Study

Predicting ac interference on pipelines is a complex problem, with multiple interacting variables affecting the influence and consequences.

Detailed computer modeling generally requires extensive data collection, field work, and subject-matter expertise. \$\$, 🕒

The quality and accuracy of the computer modeling results are directly related to the quality of the data and assumptions utilized to perform the modeling.

The report provides basic guidelines for a risk-based decision-making process to help prioritize regions for detailed modeling or to exclude regions from modeling to improve the efficiency of addressing induced ac issues.



INGAA Summary of (5) Key Variable Severity Rankings

Separation Distance - D (Feet)	Severity Ranking of HVAC Interference
$D < 100$	High
$100 < D < 500$	Medium
$500 < D < 1,000$	Low
$1,000 < D \leq 2,500$	Very Low

Collocation/Crossing Angle - θ (°)	Relative Severity
$\theta < 30$	High
$30 < \theta < 60$	Medium
$\theta > 60$	Low

Collocation Length: L (feet)	Relative Severity
$L > 5,000$	High
$1,000 < L < 5,000$	Medium
$L < 1,000$	Low

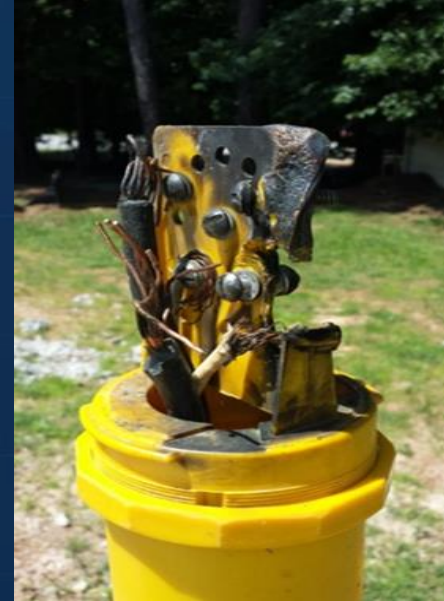
HVAC Current - I (amps)	Relative Severity of HVAC Interference
$I \geq 1,000$	Very High
$500 < I < 1,000$	High
$250 < I < 500$	Medium-High
$100 < I < 250$	Medium
$I < 100$	Low

Soil Resistivity - ρ (ohm-cm)	Relative Severity of HVAC Corrosion
$\rho < 2,500$	Very High
$2,500 < \rho < 10,000$	High
$10,000 < \rho < 30,000$	Medium
$\rho > 30,000$	Low

Induced AC | Key Points

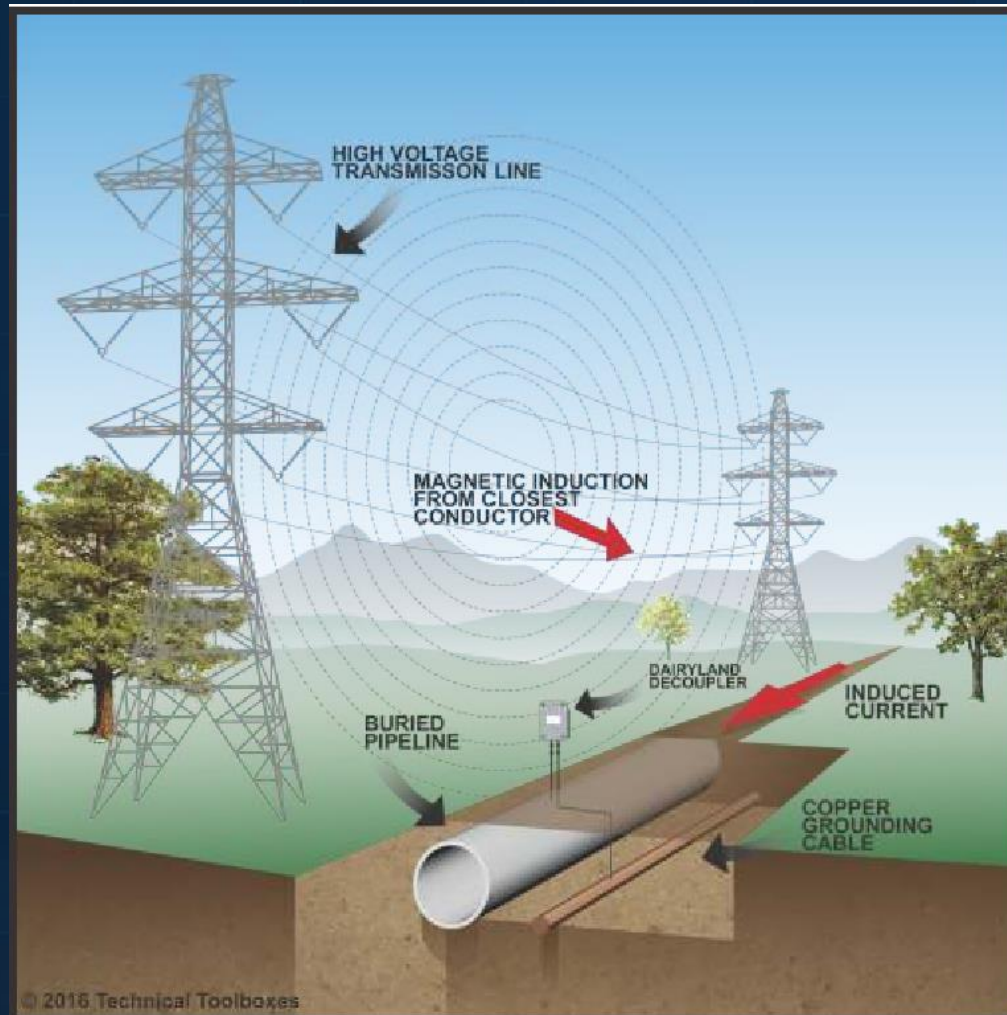
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- Highest corrosion rates occur at coating defects with surface areas between 1 and 3 cm^2 ($0.16 \text{ in}^2 - 0.47 \text{ in}^2$). Very small coating defects.
- AC corrosion typically has pimple like blisters and have very round corrosion pit morphology.

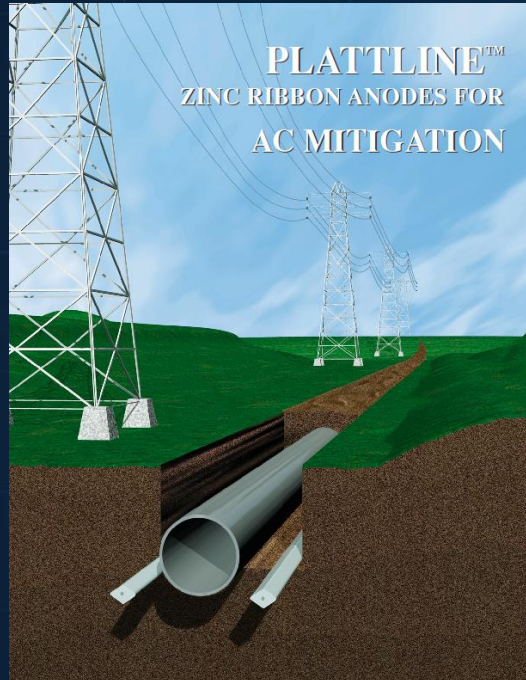






AC Interference Mitigation & Testing

Induced AC Mitigation – In One Picture



Typical AC Mitigation Grounding Components

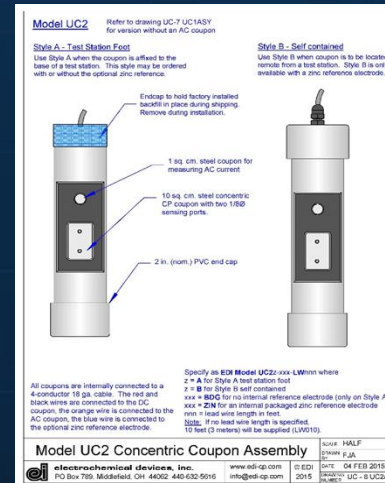
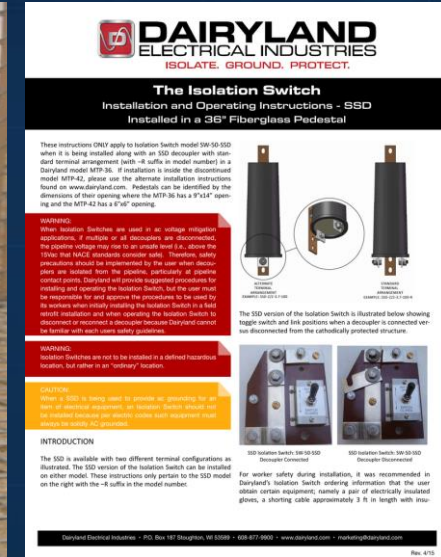


Specification Chart				
Product Size	Super	Plus	Standard	Small
Cross Section: Inches Millimeters	1" x 1-1/4" 25.4 x 31.75	5/8" x 7/8" 15.88 x 22.22	1/2" x 9/16" 12.7 x 14.28	11/32" x 13/32" 8.73 x 10.32
Weight/Foot, Pounds Weight/Kg., Meters	2.4 3.570	1.2 1.785	0.6 .8925	0.25 .372
Diameter of wire core Inches Millimeters	0.185 4.70	0.135 3.43	0.130 3.30	0.115 2.92
Standard Coil Length Feet Meters	100 ⁺¹⁰ / ₋₀ 30.5 ⁺³ / ₋₀	200 ⁺²⁰ / ₋₀ 61 ^{+6.1} / ₋₀	500 ⁺³⁰ / ₋₀ 152 ⁺⁹ / ₋₀	1000 ⁺⁵⁰ / ₋₀ 305 ⁺¹⁵ / ₋₀
Standard Coil I.D. Inches Centimeters	36 91.44	36 91.44	12 30.5	12 30.5
Packaging	Steel-banded random-wound open coils	Steel-banded random-wound open coils	Wood Reels	Wood Reels



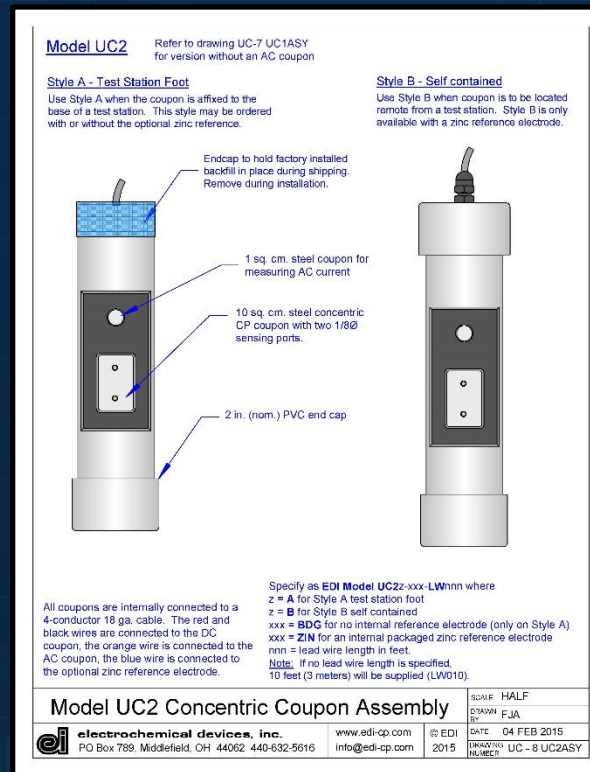
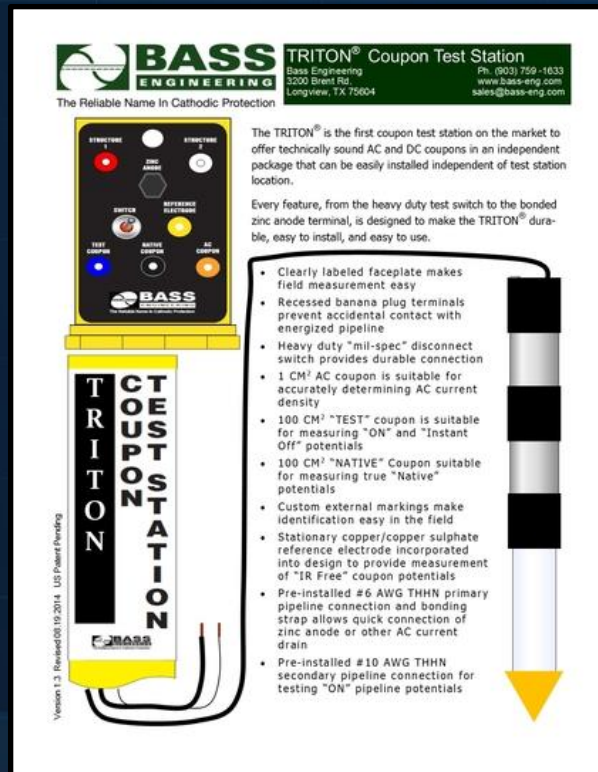
Sizing an Equipment Grounding Conductor	
Overcurrent Device Rating	Copper Conductor
15A	14 AWG
20A	12 AWG
25A to 60A	10 AWG
70A to 100A	8 AWG
110A to 200A	6 AWG
225A to 300A	4 AWG
350A to 400A	3 AWG
450A to 500A	2 AWG
600A	1 AWG
700A to 800A	1/0 AWG
1,000A	2/0 AWG
1,200A	3/0 AWG

Other Typical AC Mitigation Components



AC & DC Coupon Test Stations

Coupon test stations are invaluable for system testing. Some typical industry available models are as follows:



What is a Decoupler?

- Device with very low impedance to AC but blocks DC up to a predetermined voltage level, typically 2 to 3 volts
- Typical AC impedance: 10 milliohms
- Typical DC resistance: Megaohms
- Solid-state construction, two terminal device
- Connects between pipeline and ground, or other structure:
 - Virtually the same as direct bonding for AC, but
 - DC isolates the grounding system from the pipeline CP system

<http://www.dairyland.com/knowledge-base-article/33-getting-started/68-video-training-decoupler-101-updated>



Dairyland SSD Ratings

Blocking Threshold

Choose: 2/2 (Standard)
3/1 (Optional)

Terminal Arrangement

Add "-R" for standard terminal arrangement
Remove "-R" for alternate terminal arrangement*

SSD-2/2-3.7-100-R

AC Fault Current

Choose: 1.2kA
2kA
3.7kA
5kA

Lightning Surge Current

Choose 100 for 2kA, 3.7kA, 5kA models
Choose 75 for 1.2kA models

* Note: Alternate terminal arrangement recommended for installation using pin-brazed studs.

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SSD DATA SHEET

The SSD is a solid-state device designed to simultaneously provide DC decoupling and AC continuity/grounding when used with cathodically protected structures, such as pipelines, tanks, and grounding systems. Using proven, solid-state construction, but with new production and packaging techniques, the SSD line lowers costs while offering a certified, fail-safe solution.

Features:

- Compact, lightweight package
- Fail-safe design assures bonding/grounding
- Certified for hazardous locations, electrical grounding
- Higher blocking voltage than polarization cells
- Inherent over-voltage protection provided to structure
- No maintenance or testing required
- Submersible design

Typical Applications:

- Gradient Control Mat Decoupling
- Insulated Joint Protection
- AC Voltage Mitigation
- Decoupling Electric Equipment Grounding Systems

Why Fault Current Is Important:

Fault current exposure for the product relates to the ampacity, proximity and mode of current transfer from a faulting source (power transmission line, motor circuit, induction from overhead lines, etc.). Select a product rating that has reasonable margin above the site conditions. Contact Dairyland for any assistance with selection of appropriate ratings.

AC Fault Current Ratings (Amps AC-RMS Symmetrical)

SSD Model	Rating at 30 Cycles 50/60Hz
SSD-2/2-1.2-75-R	1,200
SSD-2/2-2.0-100-R	2,000
SSD-2/2-3.7-100-R	3,700
SSD-2/2-5.0-100-R	5,000

Note: Standard SSD models shown. For other options available, please visit www.dairyland.com

Other Ratings and Certifications:

Threshold Voltage (absolute)
-2/+2V (standard) -3/+1V (optional)

Lightning Surge Current

1.2kA Models: 75kA crest (4 x 10 μ s waveform)
All Other Models: 100kA crest (4 x 10 μ s waveform)
AC Steady-State Current (amperes - rms) 50/60Hz
45A (Standard)

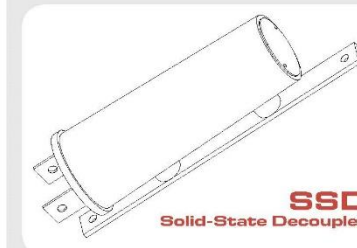
Environmental rating:

IP68 - submersible (to 2m depth)

Hazardous Location Certifications:

Rating	Certification Agency
Class I, Division 2, Groups A, B, C, D Temp Code T4	UL, C-UL
Class I, Zone 2 Group IIC, ATEX Directive, IECEx, Temp Code T4	UL/DEMKO

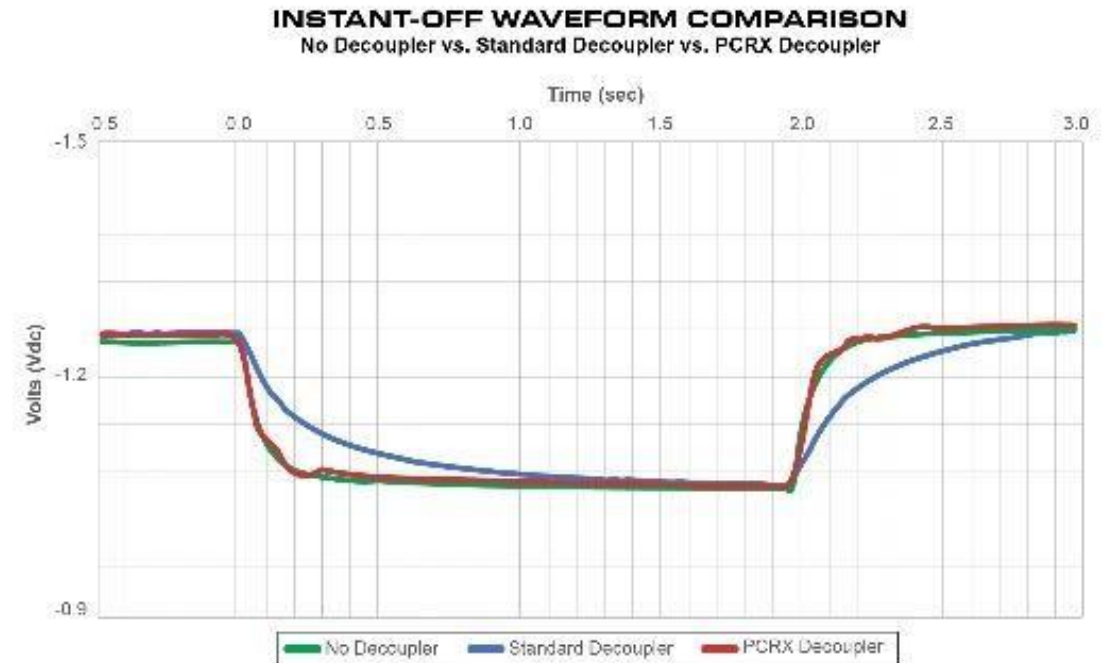
For model numbers, options and accessories, see full technical literature at www.dairyland.com



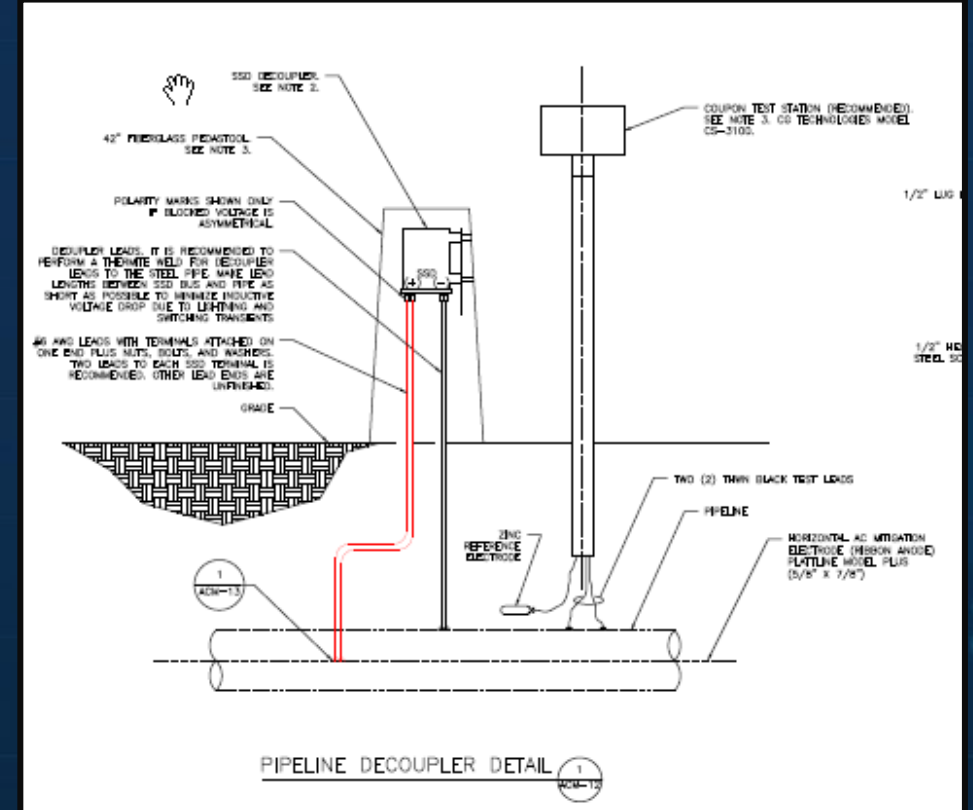
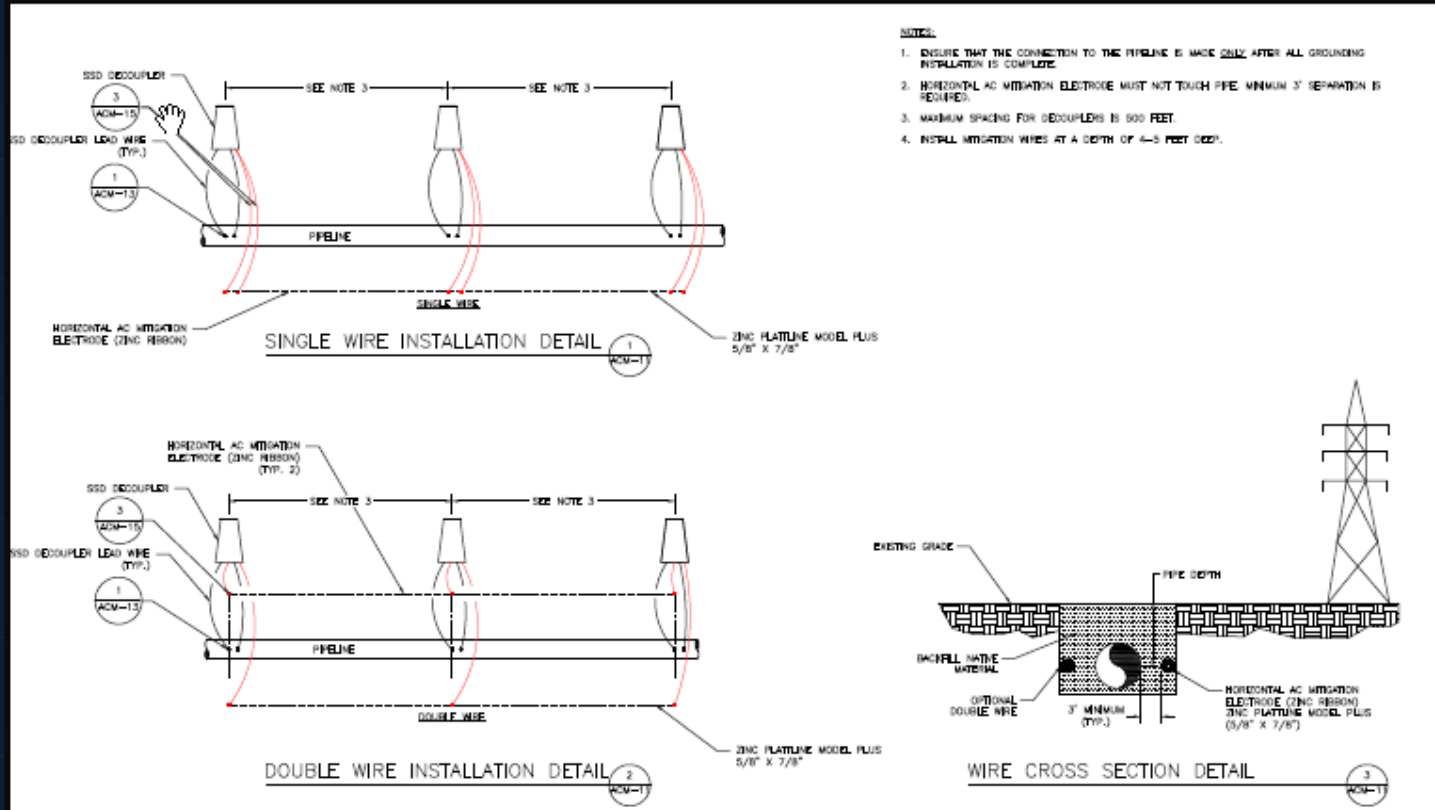
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AC Mitigation Layouts | Horizontal



Typical AC Mitigation Install for Existing Pipeline | Parallel

Terminations Aboveground



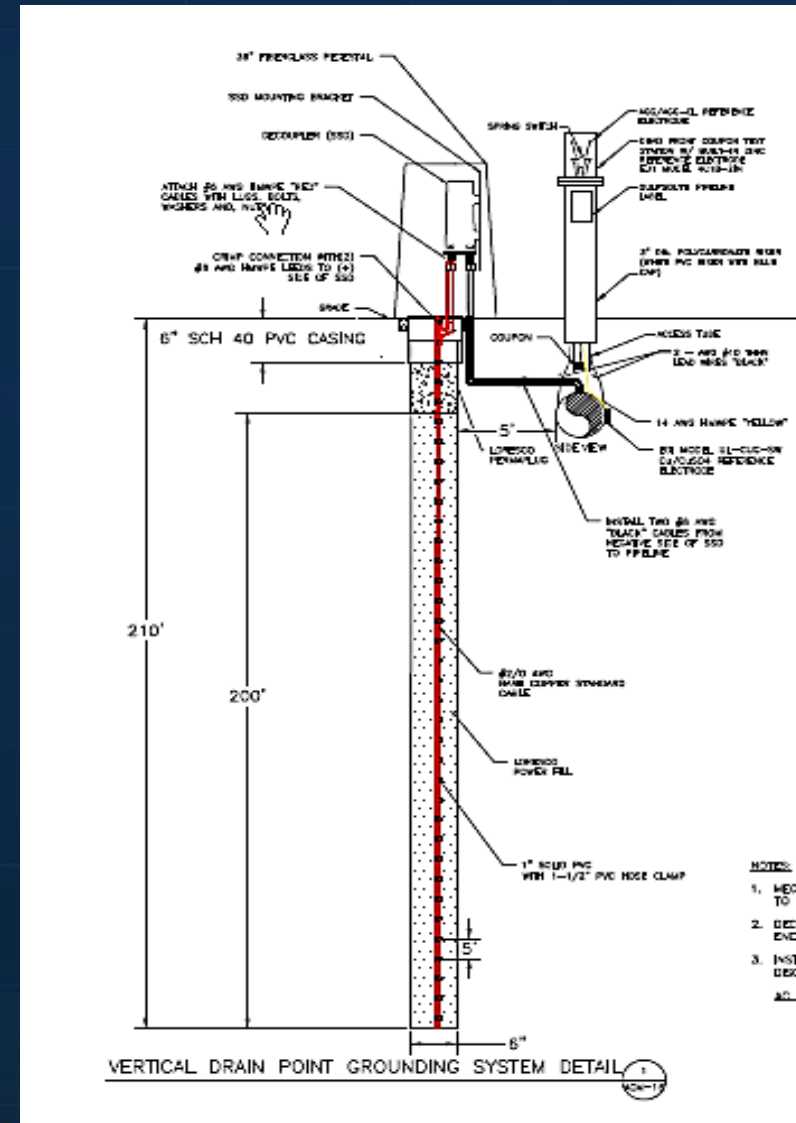
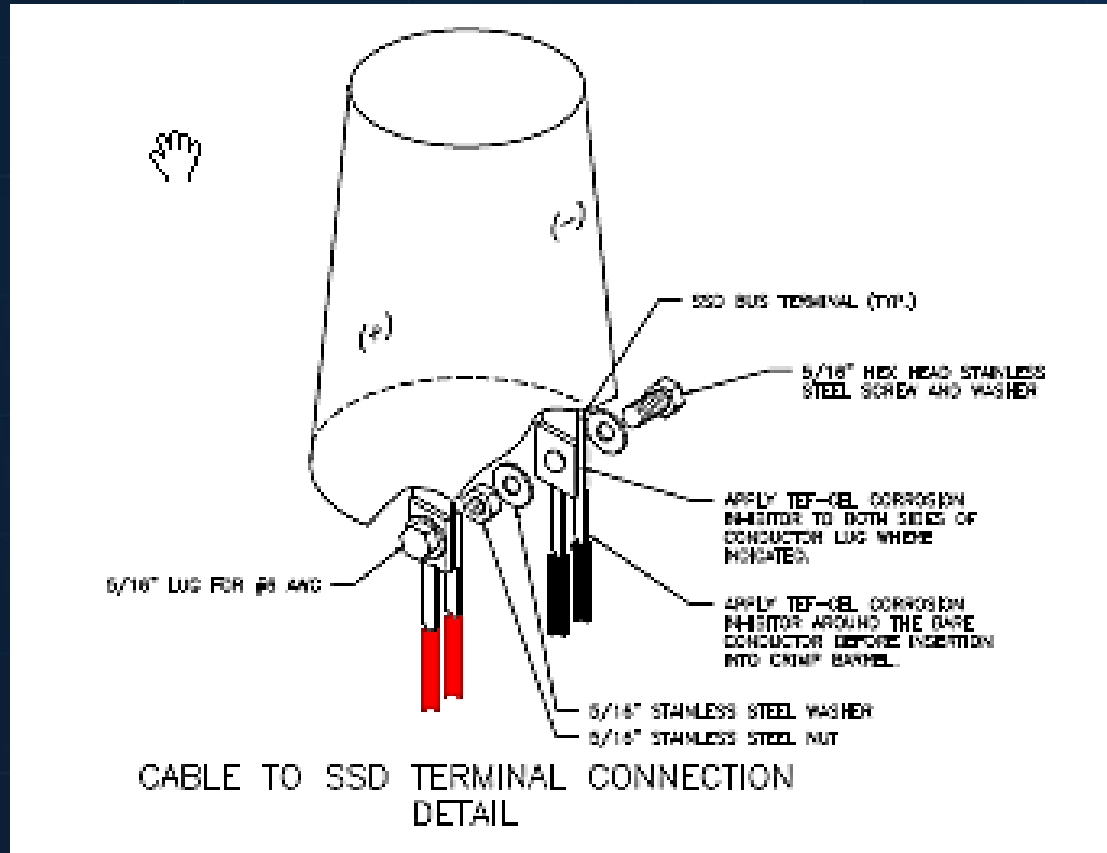
Cable Plow With Zinc Reel Trailer



Cable Plow Installing Zinc Ribbon



Typical AC Mitigation Design Layout | Vertical



Typical AC Mitigation Design Layout | Vertical



Typical AC Mitigation Layout | Stations



Testing the Effectiveness of AC Mitigation:

- AC pipe-to-soil potential (at test stations and above ground appurtenances) to test for shock hazard voltage
- A CIS (both VDC and VAC) to test the effectiveness of the cathodic protection system as well as the AC potentials on the line. (ON/OFF, the use of decouplers is critical to collect OFF (IR Free) potentials)
- Soil resistivity measurements at high VAC locations
- Calculation of IAC to determine risk of AC corrosion
- Additional localized mitigation measures if needed

Testing - Interruption Warning

- Isolating decoupler from AC mitigation system removes AC reduction function
- AC voltage on pipe will increase
- Increases with additional decouplers removed
- Wire from pipe (or Iso Switch terminal) will be at pipeline AC voltage
- Minor arcing will occur as system is disconnected/reconnected with associated current flow

AC Mitigation Effect on Potential Readings

Solid State Decoupler: Purpose

- Mitigate induced AC voltage
- Maintain CP voltage
- Provide over-voltage protection for: AC faults, lightning, static, or other sources
- Do so while meeting codes for: safety grounding, hazardous locations use, etc.



Solid State Decoupler: Potential Effect

- Voltage of interest depends upon AC current across Decoupler
- The capacitive voltage of Decoupler electrically charges the pipeline
- Pipe-to-soil voltage is different value from real potential
- CP voltage across de-coupler is present when close interval survey occurs

Solid State Decoupler: Potential Effect

- Interrupted surveys create fast changes in DC voltage
- Apparent voltage appears a step change
- Capacitance of system (decoupler, coating, etc.) doesn't allow voltage to change quickly
- Result can slow down waveform changes
- Recording equipment then captures VPS too electro-negative vs real value

Solid State Decoupler: Potential Effect

Traditional Pipe-to-Soil Potentials are likely to be more electronegative due to DC voltage build up at SSD's.

There is a difference between DC voltage and DC potential in this situation.

This DC voltage must be corrected in some manner to reflect our true pipe-to-soil potential.

<http://www.dairyland.com/knowledge-base-article/34-video-training/31-decoupler-interaction-with-close-interval-surveys>

Solid State Decoupler: Potential Effect

Decoupler has voltage across it

Current will flow as result
when voltage attempts to go
OFF

Until current dissipation,
voltage measurement will be
in error to a degree

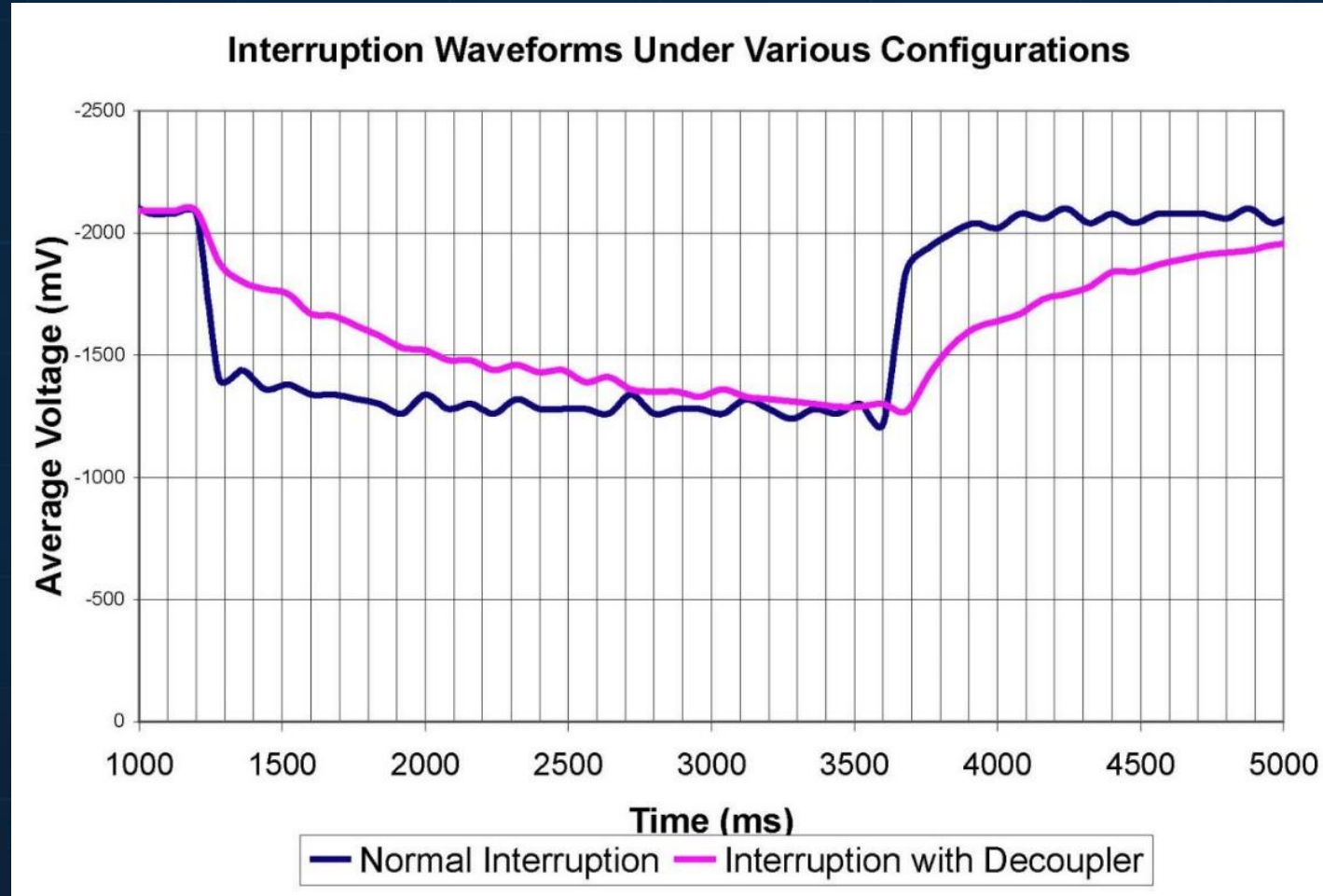
Solid State Decoupler: Potential Effect

If mitigation is excessive, results in more decouplers than necessary

Decoupler capacitance values are additive when closely spaced

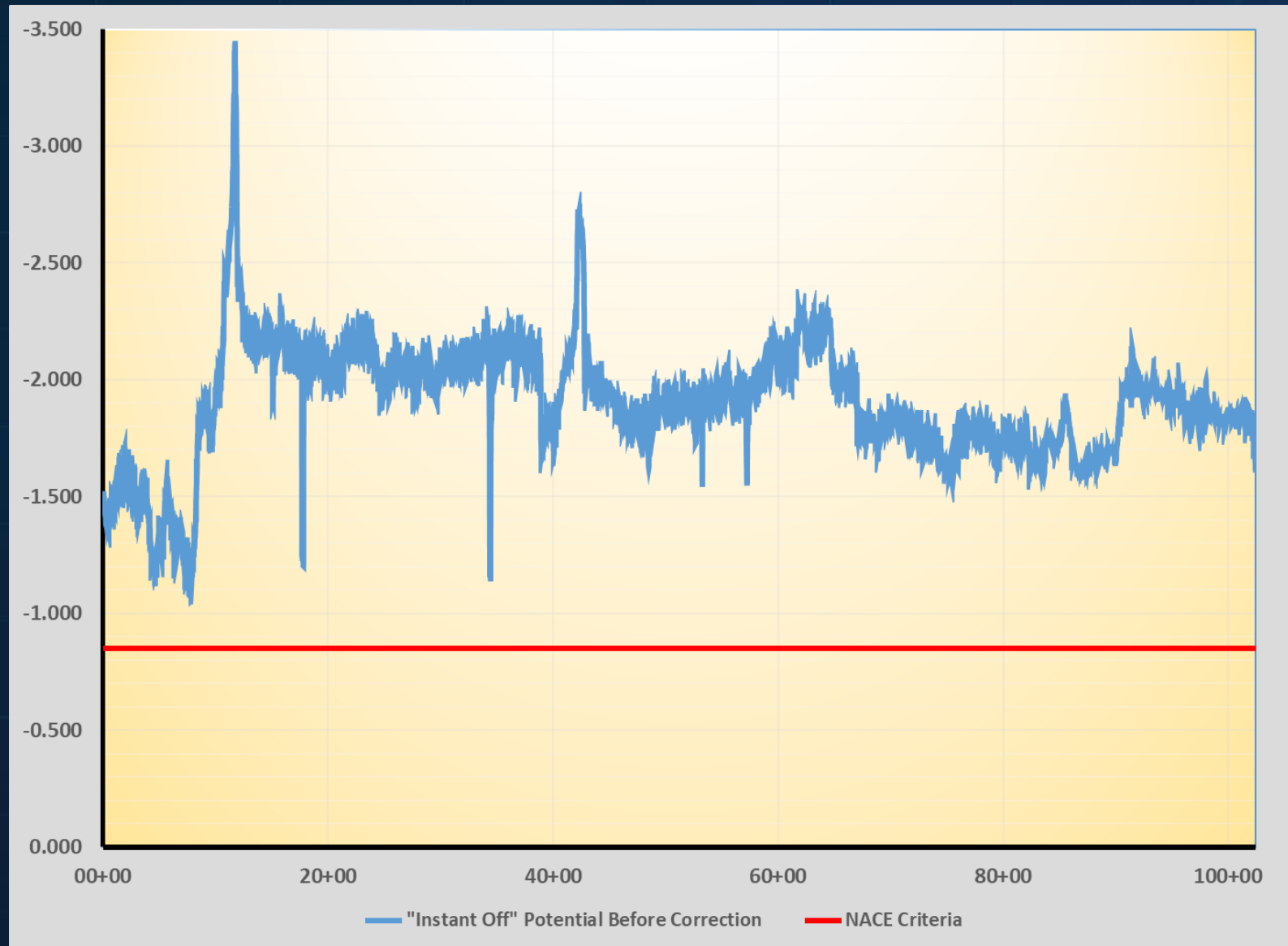
Short, well-coated lines are well insulated, and suffer worse effects

Waveform With Interruption



Measurements on a 6"- 40 mile, 16 mil FBE well coated pipeline

AC Mitigation Effect



Potential Measurement Analysis

- Traditional Pipe-to-Soil Potentials are likely to be more electronegative due to DC voltage build up at SSD's.
- There is a difference between DC voltage and DC potential in this situation that our data.

$$PIO_{VDC} = PTI_{VDC} + VE_{VDC}$$

- Pipeline “Instant Off” = PIO_{VDC}
- Pipeline “True Instant Off” = PTI_{VDC}
- “Voltage Error” = VE_{VDC}

Solid State Decoupler: Effect Correction

- Removing decoupler from system results in no over-voltage protection for faults, lightning
- Removal eliminates AC mitigation; VAC jumps to pre-mitigation levels
- Drastic capacitance change conflicts with need for collapsing AC voltage to low levels: voltage directly tied to capacitance
- NACE SP0177 guidance: 15V limit
- AC corrosion concerns

“NOT ACCEPTABLE”

Solution Options | Acceptable

Adjustment of
voltage reading
capture time

Take reading later in
OFF cycle

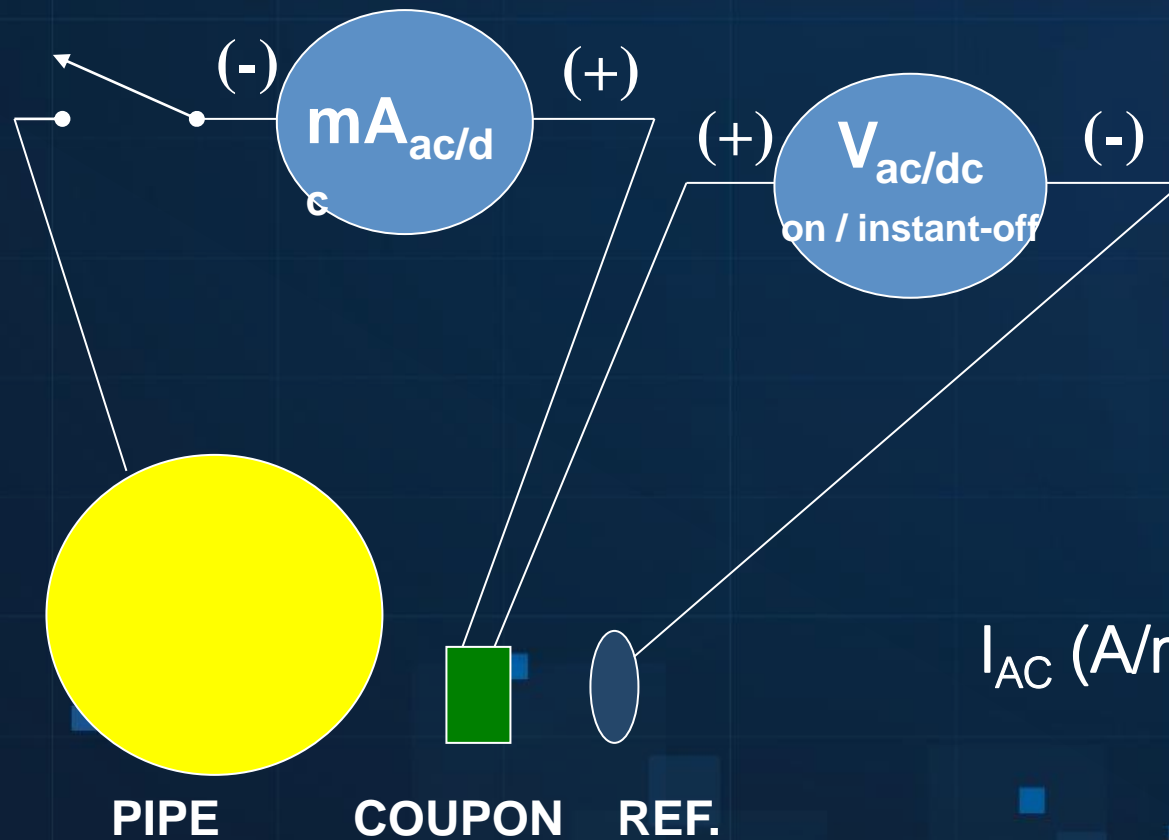
Adjustment of
rectifier cycling
periods

Longer OFF period
allows waveform to
stabilize

Use of correlation
factors, such as IR
free coupons for
independent
reading

Solid State Decoupler: Effect Correction

- Use of correlation factors
- IR free coupons for independent reading



$$I_{AC} \text{ (A/m}^2 \text{ or A/ft}^2\text{)} = I_{\text{Measured}} / SA_{\text{Coupon}}$$

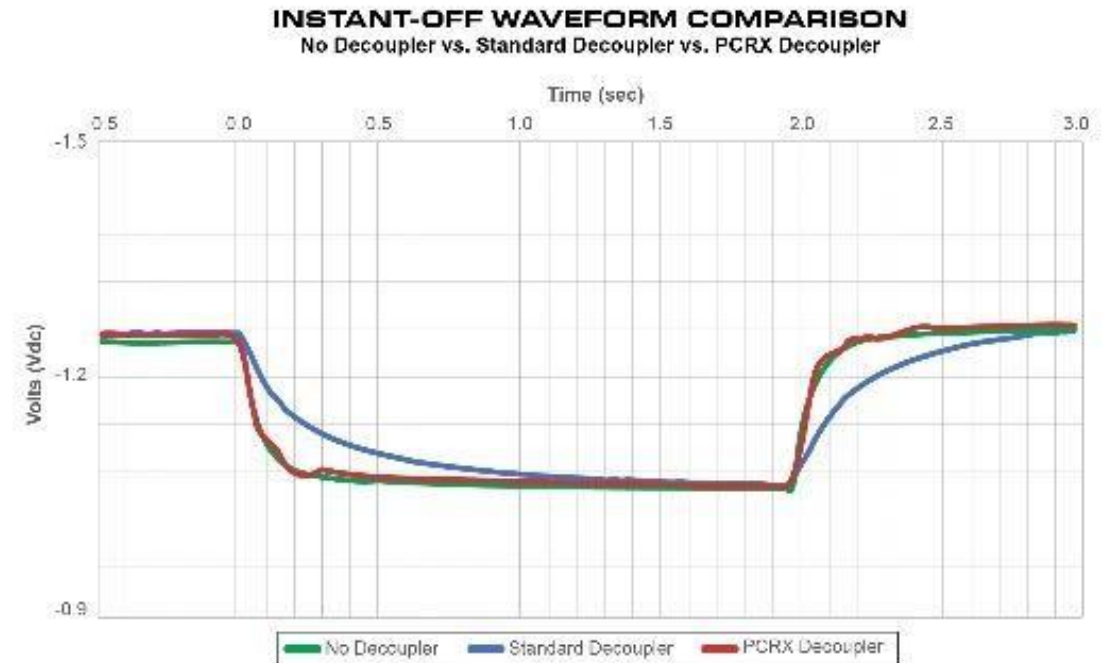
AC Mitigation Effect Correction



Correlation AC Mitigation Correction

- The Disconnect and Connected SSDs a significant influence from the SSD “Capacitive Effect”
- The Coupon Instant-disconnect Potentials Closely Relate to the Instant-off potential (4-1 cycle) with the SSDs disconnect (polarized potentials)
- The extended cycles with the SSDs connected were inconsistent and could not be relied upon to determine the polarized potential of the pipeline
- Over the time of the extended cycle survey, the instant-off potentials drifted more positive, indicating the line was depolarizing.
- The Extended Cycle Survey Should not be Used to Measure the polarized Potential

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This was done to ensure that the data were from a fully observed environment in the HSE study-set. The relatively continuous pipeline segment with this design were 22 miles long. 24 elements with good quality FRF modeling. A total of 8 existing FRF measurements on this segment were recorded for comparative effects producing the graphs shown, as they were compared to FRF on open air. Accurate results with the FRF were achieved within 0.5 seconds, as shown above.

Over Design Concerns

Installation Cost Analysis

Average AC Mitigation Cost per Linear Foot: \$28/ft

Example:

- AC Mitigation Design Modeling (10 Miles Pipeline)
 - Low Price: \$25,000
 - High Price: \$50,000
- 10 miles of pipeline AC Mitigation Installation (Single Ribbon):
- $10 \text{ miles} * 5280 \text{ ft} * \$28/\text{ft} = \$1,478,400$
- 10 miles of pipeline AC Mitigation Installation (Double Ribbon):
- $10 \text{ miles} * 5280 \text{ ft} * \$28/\text{ft} * 2 \text{ Ribbon} = \$2,956,800$
- Design Fee Cost Saving: \$25,000
- Installation Cost Difference: \$1,478,400
- Total Cost Saving: **\$1,453,400**

RULE OF THUMB COSTS FOR FIELD DATA COLLECTION, MODELING AND DESIGN FEES FOR AC MITIGATION

RANGE FROM \$2,500 TO \$5,000 /mile on up

For computer modeling only, \$1,000 to \$1,500 on up depending on complexity of the HVPL corridor.

RULE OF THUMB – TYPICALLY IT TAKES 35 - 50% OF PIPELINE ALIGNMENT TO ACHIEVE ADEQUATE INDUCED AC MITIGATION.

IN GENERAL, EFFECTIVE MODELING WITH GOOD DATA WILL PAY FOR ITSELF.

Project Case Studies

AC Corrosion : Case Study #1 (Typical Induced)

Here is an actual scenario:

- A number of anomalies were discovered after a regularly scheduled ILI run. The key information is as follows:
- 24" Diameter x 0.375" wall Natural Gas Transmission Pipeline
- Located in LA
- Pipe was installed in 1992, and has a FBE coating
- Soil resistivity ranged from 800 to 2000 ohm-cm (4-pin) and as little as 400 ohm-cm (via soil box)
- pH at and around the immediate vicinity of the defect 12.5
- Pipeline had effective cathodic protection IR Free pipe to soil potentials of -1100 mV vs. CSE
- Pipeline was found to have 6.1 volts AC on the line at the defect location. Given < 15 VAC, this is not a personnel hazard issue.



AC Corrosion : Case Study #1 (Typical Induced)



AC Corrosion : Case Study #1 (Typical Induced)



Corrosion Pit (Anomaly) – 50% Wall Loss

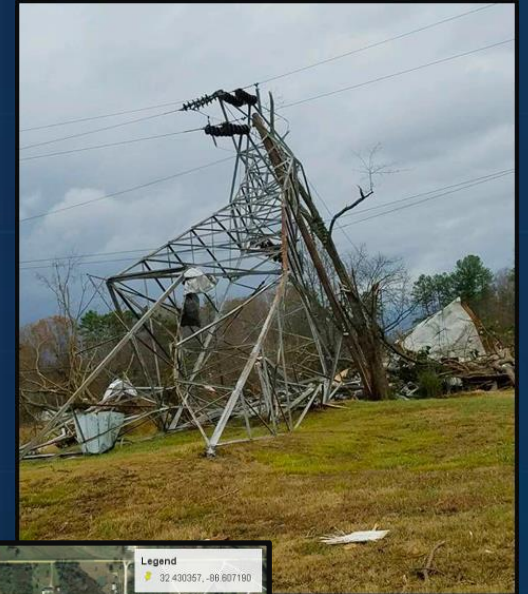
AC Corrosion : Case Study #2 (Ground Fault)

Here is an actual scenario:

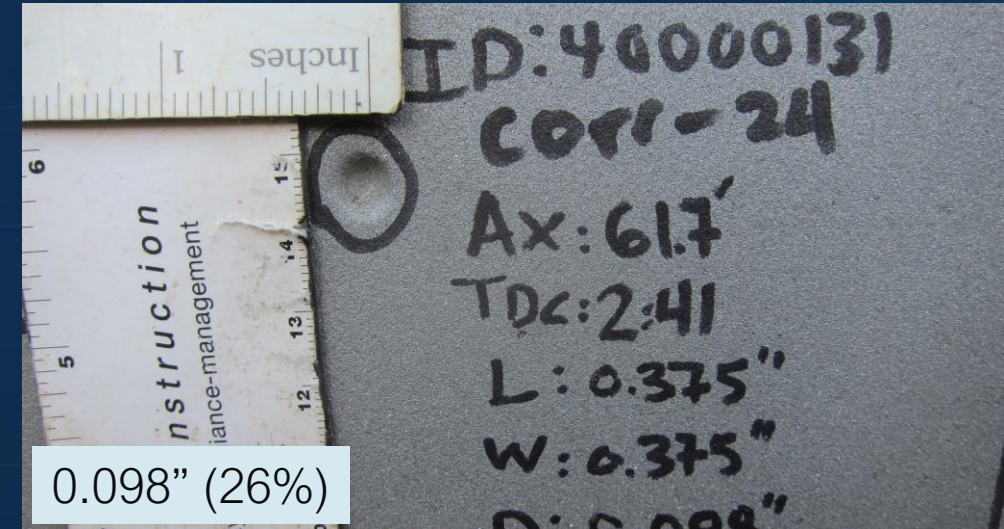
- Original issue started with a tornado that toppled a HVAC tower in November 2004. Two (2) subsequent ILI runs (2009 & 2016) identified corrosion rate growth on the pipeline.

The key information is as follows:

- 24" Diameter x 0.375" wall Natural Gas Transmission Pipeline. High Pressure, MAOP >1000 psi
- Located in AL
- Pipe was installed in ~1999, and is externally coated with FBE coating
- Soil resistivity ranged from 1,000 to 2,100 ohm-cm (4-pin) .Moist soils with groundwater in trench.
- pH at and around the immediate vicinity of the defect 3.5
- Pipeline was found to have 5.9 volts AC on the line at the defect location. Given < 15 VAC, this is not a personnel hazard issue.

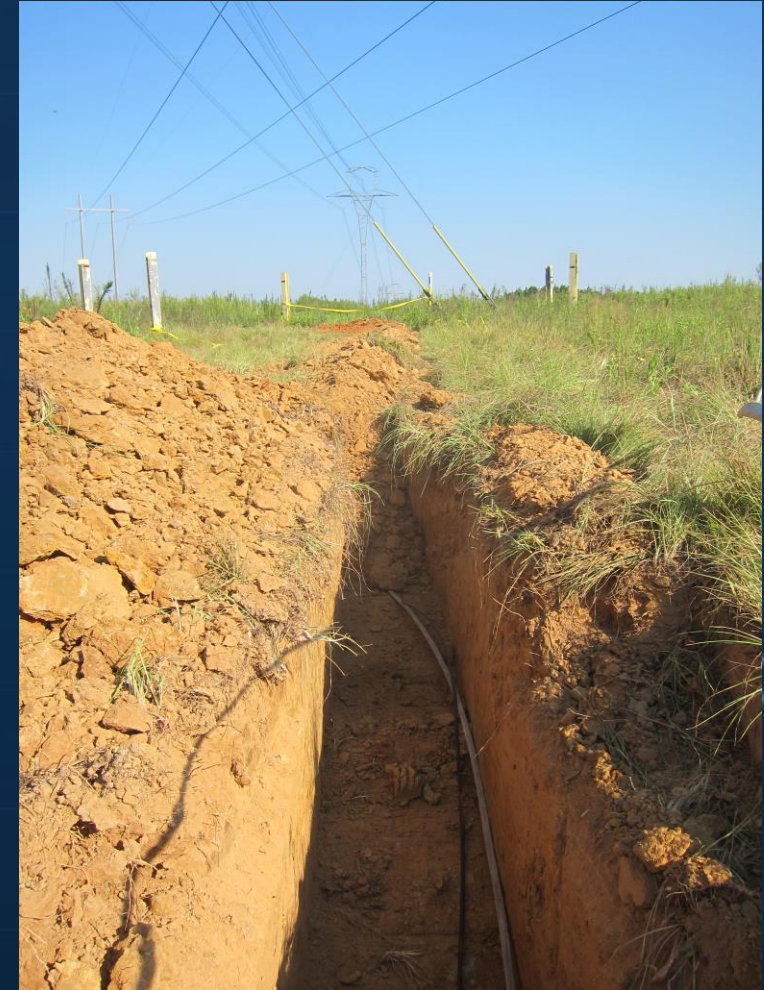
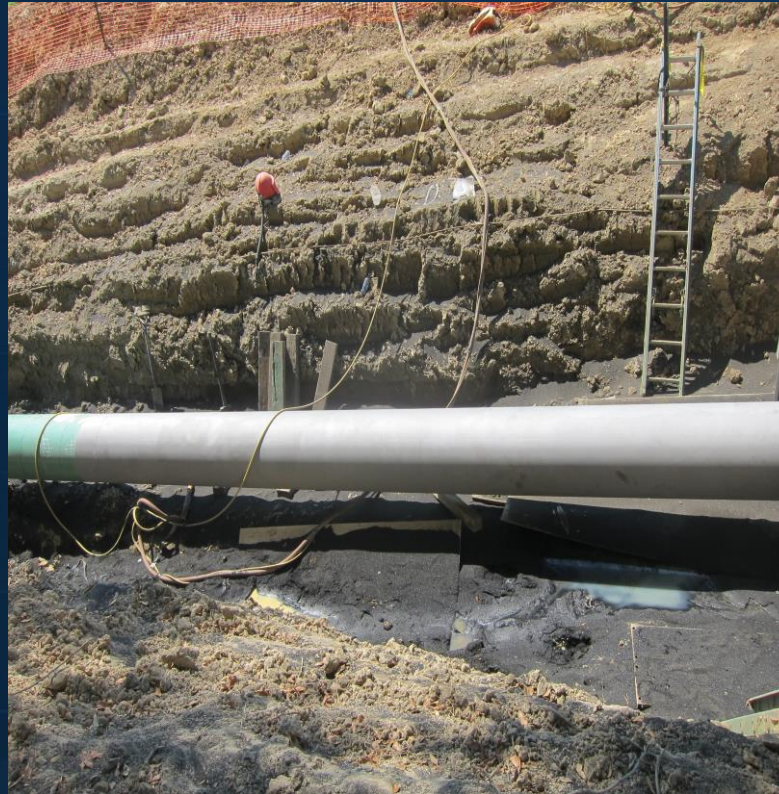


AC Corrosion : Case Study #2 (Ground Fault)



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AC Corrosion : Case Study #2 (Ground Fault)



AC Interference : Case Study #3 (Coupon Issues)

Here is an actual scenario:

- Original issue started with the client reaching a compliance issue related to a Special Permit Pipeline. Client was prepared to spend a significant amount of money to address measured AC current densities that were of concern.

The key information is as follows:

- Special Permit Pipeline compliance requirements operating under CFR 192. Within 6 months of engineering analysis, Threshold limit 50 A/m²
- 16-inch pipeline, externally coated with coal tar enamel
- 10 miles of parallel co-location with HVAC
- Located in LA
- Soil resistivity averages 1,300 Ω -cm
- ILI inspection showed no corrosion rate growth despite the Corrosion Coupons indicating AC Current Density concerns.
- Confirm stationary coupon conditions and coupon size



AC Interference : Case Study #3 (Coupon Issues)

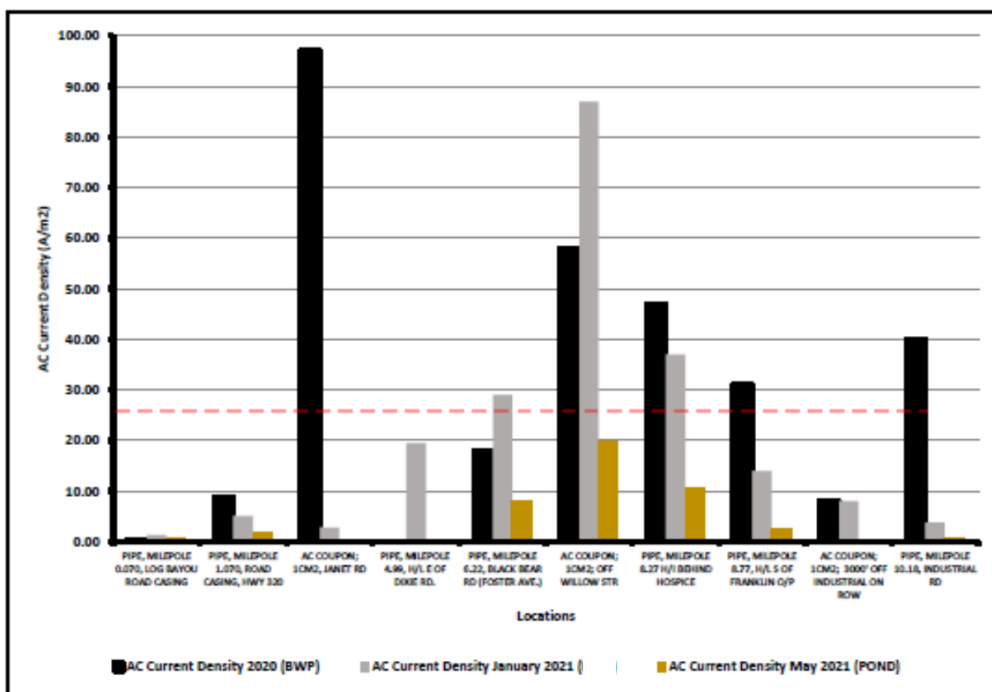


Figure 5 – AC Current Density Measurements 2020 and 2021 (1-cm² Coupons)

Table 4 – AC Current Density Measurements 2021 (1-cm² Coupons)

MP	AC Current Density (2020) A/m² (BWP)	AC Current Density (2021) A/m² (BWP)	AC Current Density (2021) A/m² (Pond)
0.07	0.30	1.30	0.70
1.07	8.80	5.10	1.70
4.18	97.00	2.80	0.20
4.99*	-	19.50	0.10
6.22	18.00	29.00	7.90
7.28	58.00	87.00	19.80
8.27	47.00	37.00	10.70
8.77	31.00	14.00	2.50
9.44	8.00	8.00	0.10
10.18	40.00	3.80	0.90

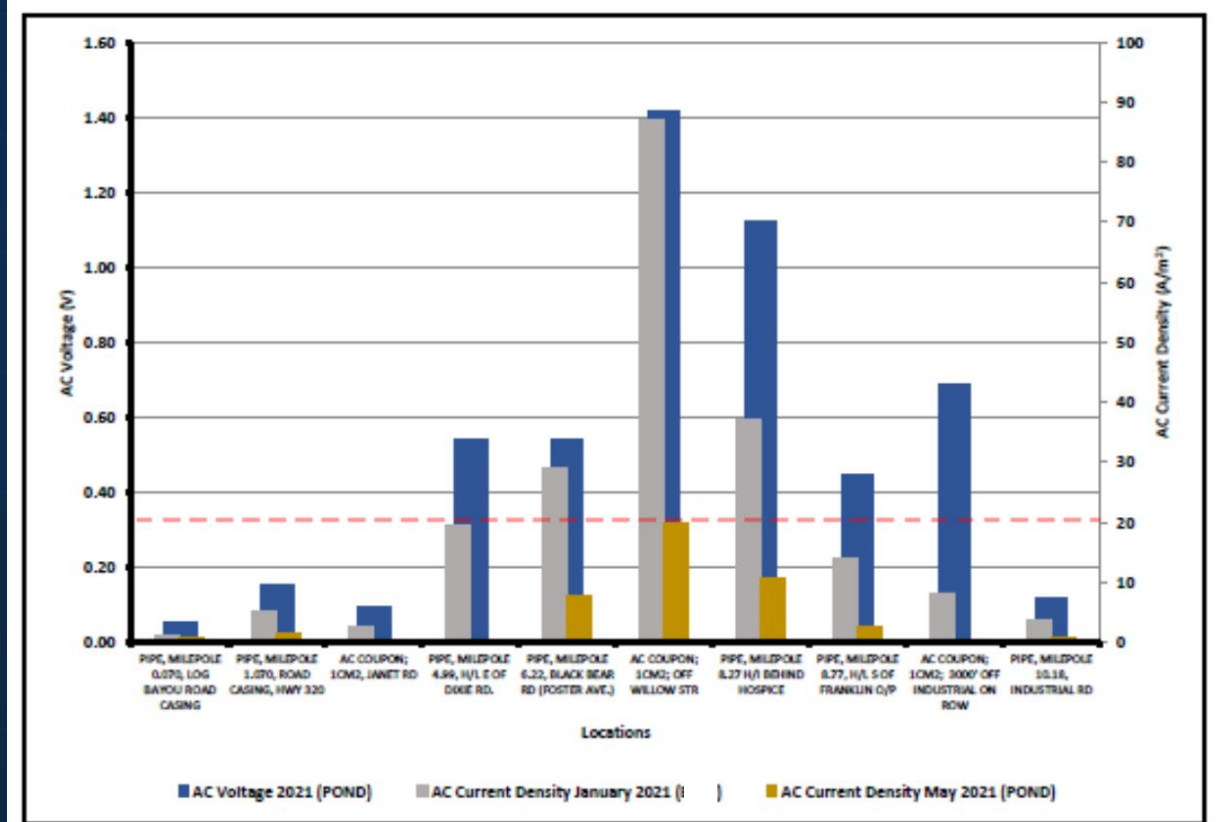


Figure 4 – AC Voltage and AC Current Density Measurements 2021 (1-cm² Coupons)

Table 3 – AC Voltage and AC Current Density Measurements 2021 (1-cm² Coupons)

0 - 20 A/m²	AC Corrosion Unlikely
20 A/m² – 100 A/m²	Corrosion Unpredictable
> 100 A/m²	AC Corrosion Expected

Other Pipeline Systems

Induced AC: Not Just Oil & Gas



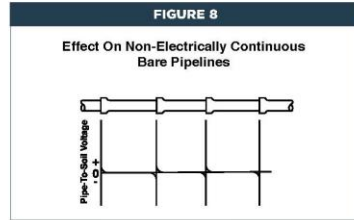
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CORROSION CONTROL

The Effect of Overhead AC Power Lines Paralleling Ductile Iron Pipelines

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Conclusion

A consequence of AC power lines and buried pipelines sharing rights-of-way is that AC voltages and currents can be induced on the pipelines by conduction during ground fault conditions and by induction from the expansion and contraction of magnetic fields. The magnitude of the induced voltage and current on the pipeline is a function of a number of variables, including the length of pipeline paralleling the AC power line, the longitudinal resistance of the pipeline, and the resistance of the pipeline coating.

Ductile Iron Pipe is manufactured in nominal 18- and 20-foot lengths and employs a rubber-gasketed jointing system. These rubber-gasketed joints offer electrical resistance that is sufficient for Ductile Iron Pipelines to be considered electrically discontinuous. In effect, the rubber-gasketed joints segment the pipe and prevent magnetic induction from being a problem. Also, in most cases, Ductile Iron Pipelines are installed bare and are therefore essentially grounded for their entire length, which further prevents magnetic induction on the pipelines. The fact that Ductile Iron Pipelines are electrically discontinuous and normally installed bare significantly reduces the potential difference between the pipeline and the surface ground during a ground fault condition. Additional safety precautions for ground fault conditions could include the installation of potential gradient control mats at exposed valves, hydrants, etc.

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CONCLUSIONS – INDUCED AC

1. AC Interference IS REAL and can be accurately predicted.
2. Induced AC Interference May Present a Safety Hazard – 15 V_{AC} Limit.
3. Under certain conditions, AC Interference may cause corrosion.
4. In ground fault conditions, (3) primary concerns for personnel safety, coating stress (>1000 volts) and or pipe damage (>5000 volts) can occur.
5. The mechanisms causing Induced AC can be quite complex and computer models are necessary to develop cost effective mitigation.
6. In the presence of AC, excessive CP or cathodic DC interference can increase corrosion rates dramatically
7. AC Interference can be safely and economically mitigated.
8. AC Mitigation systems can be reliably monitored and maintenance friendly.



Questions

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