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Subject : PG&E Natural Gas Line 147 - Update

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July 14, 2016 – San Carlos, CA – The Pacific Gas and Electric Company (PG&E) has recently completed an inline inspection of Natural Gas Line 147, and as part of that process, identified three areas along Brittan Avenue that warranted further investigation. PG&E subsequently excavated these three sites to visually inspect the pipe, and found corrosion and pitting on the outside bottom of the pipe. After a thorough investigation and further analysis of these pipe sections, PG&E plans to install sleeves over all three sections of pipe and weld them in place over the coming days.

According to PG&E, the planned work will strengthen the pipe in these areas. Placing steel sleeves over the pipe and welding them in place is equivalent to actual replacement of the section of pipe. Based on the final analysis of the inline inspection data, it is expected that PG&E will return in the near future to perform more excavation of the line to examine and/or repair it as a result of the continuing investigation.

PG&E will perform the sleeving and welding work over the next several days. To accommodate the work, the impacted section of Brittan Avenue will have limited access from 8:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. Monday through Friday for several days. PG&E expects all of the work will be completed by the end of July. In the meantime, the line continues to be operated at a very low pressure until such time that PG&E demonstrates to the California Public Utilities Commission that the line is safe enough to return to full operating pressure.

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