

To all you people that could be out in the field when a hydro or pressure test is being done.

Remember this

Fellow pipe-liners,

As you have probably heard in Mississippi this past week (July 2009) there was at least one fatality and three others were air-lifted (one of which was not expected to live) during a testing procedure.

These are photographs of the incident and the destruction. Please remember those who died and were injured from this pressure test and train from these photographs. As you can see from this mass destruction of pipe, we remember why on-lookers are not allowed within 500' of hydro-testing or nitrogen-testing area. These hazards are great. When failures occur the pressure is massive. Massively destructive to not only pipe, but everything in its avenue.

Ensure personnel who are not directly involved in the testing process are removed from the area and not allowed in the area for any reason.

The same is true for any hazardous area. Limited number of people need to be in or around excavations, open trench, or ever stand between equipment or moving materials. Be aware of your surroundings at all times. For those new hires and experienced help, ensure personnel is alert and aware of everything going on around them. A split second can become a part of history. A part of history only survivors learn from...an experience which no one would want to partake, witness, or experience.

Our condolences and sympathy to those who have lost someone they loved in this tragedy.

Cause still undetermined and under investigation.

Respectfully,





Remember the 500 ft. rule !

Thanks for your reminder to everyone. It is a wake up call for all the reasons you mentioned.

The OSHA investigation is still going on and nothing but rumors and speculation abound. Kinder-Morgan of course is involved, but their investigation will follow OSHA.

This SONAT Interconnect (Southern Natural) is part of the MEP 36" system, we are installing. The Interconnect is located just a few miles SW of Jackson and directly south from Sylvarena , MS ..

Sylvarena is SW on Route 18 and the SONAT Interconnect is just off of County 99 in Smith County.

A tragic reality that life is not certain and long life is not guaranteed.

Take time to remember the good things in life, family, friends and God.