Highpoint Pipeline Condition Assessment *Vallecitos Water District FINAL DRAFT TECHNICAL MEMORANDUM*

PROJECT BACKGROUND

The Vallecitos Water District (District) provides water, wastewater, and recycled water service to the City of San Marcos; the community of Lake San Marcos; parts of Carlsbad, Escondido and Vista and other unincorporated areas in north San Diego County. The Highpoint site located north of the City of Escondido has been under development and had previously constructed 8-inch and 12-inch diameter ductile iron waterlines that were never put in service and have remained nonoperational for a period of 13 years. It should be noted that the report (Attachments A, A1) submitted by PICA incorrectly states that the pipelines are owned and operated by the Vallecitos Water District. As part of potential future development plans the District initiated a condition assessment of subject pipelines at the Highpoint site to review their current condition and suitability for acceptance into the District's potable system.

PURPOSE

The purpose of this Technical Memorandum is to summarize work performed and the associated findings and recommendations for the inspected pipelines.

INVESTIGATORY APPROACH

The subject pipelines were inspected by Pipeline Inspection & Condition Analysis Corporation (PICA). PICA is a North American leader in pipeline condition assessment and focuses exclusively on the municipal water and wastewater market. The inspection process uses Remote Field Testing (RFT) technology to inspect the pipelines from the inside to get a true representation of the remaining thickness of the pipe wall, or remaining wall (RW). Ductile Iron Pipe (DIP) has historically been used for water and wastewater service, however it has been known to experience soil side corrosion from corrosive soils or internal corrosion due to failed linings and in the case of wastewater service, exposure to hydrogen sulfide gas where pipes are not flowing full. DIP for municipal applications is customarily cement lined (interior lining) and externally wrapped with polyethylene sheeting. The measurement of remaining wall is intended to provide quantitative assessment of the condition of the pipe and in this case its suitability for potential future use in the District's system.

In the case of the Highpoint project, we understand the subject pipelines were constructed in approximately 2007 and pressure tested, however were not connected to the District's system. The

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pipes were reportedly constructed with an exterior protective wrap of polyethylene which is common when DIP is installed in corrosive soils. The concern with the subject pipelines was twofold: first the potential for exterior soil side corrosion due to failed exterior protective polyethylene wrap and internal corrosion where linings may have failed and the line was subsequently exposed to air. DIP in the size range installed at the Highpoint project is manufactured pursuant to AWWA C150/151 and has historically only been available in pressure class 350 (350 pound per square inch working pressure).

The scope of the investigatory program was developed by the IEC and PICA with input from District staff and the Developer. The intent of the investigation was twofold: to investigate the external condition of the pipeline at select locations to visually assess the integrity of the polyethylene wrap and internally inspect the pipeline along representative lengths to internally assess the pipe wall thickness. The external locations were selected based on areas that met criteria in IEC's experience have historically been prone to damage to the polyethylene wrap. These occur most often at locations where other utilities cross the waterline, in particular dry utility "packages" that are housed in a concrete encasement. These dry utility packages customarily cross on top of the waterline and at times it has been observed that the concrete encasement installation can result in nicks or tears in the polyethylene sheeting which allows moisture to come in contact with the exterior of the DIP and potentially cause corrosion. The internal pipe reaches were selected based on accessibility and the desire to assess high points in the line where air could collect and potentially cause corrosion if the lining were damaged. The internal pipe inspection was performed by excavating and exposing then removing a section of pipe then inserting the PICA inspection tool and winching it through to the other end. This method has the added benefit of allowing the inspection team to also observe the condition of the polyethylene wrap and exterior of the pipe. Following the inspection, the sections of removed pipe were repaired with PVC pipe and repair couplings.

The existing 12-inch DIP line in Woodland Heights Glen (WHG) was potholed in two locations where dry utilities cross to assess the potential for damage to the polyethylene encasement. Internal inspection was performed by PICA at the following locations:

- 1. The 8-inch diameter line in Kensington Glen (KG) was inspected from the Kensington Glen/Hampton Glen intersection to the southeast end of Kensington Glen – approximately 706 linear feet.
- 2. The 12-inch diameter line in Woodland Heights Glen was inspected from the Woodland Heights Glen/Hampton Intersection to the Palos Vista Reservoir – approximately 2,059 linear feet.

INVESTIGATION RESULTS

Potholing of the existing 12-inch DIP line in Woodland Heights Glen and the associated visual observations by District staff and the consultant team did not reveal damage to the polyethylene wrap surrounding the pipeline at these two locations.

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Analysis of the remote field technology data obtained from the two segments of pipe inspected by PICA indicate the following:

- 1. The 8-inch diameter line in Kensington Glen was found to have three (3) pitting indications.
- 2. The 12-inch diameter line in Woodland Heights Glen was found to have thirty-four (34) pitting indications.

A summary table is provided herein as Table 1 and the results graphically depicted on Figures 1 and 2. A full description of the internal inspection is provided in the PICA report provided as Attachment A and Technology Addendum provided as Attachment A1.

Notes:

1. RW – remaining wall thickness

2. RFT – remote field technology

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ANALYSIS

The investigatory program's primary findings are the remaining wall thickness of the pipe. Assessment of the acceptable remaining wall for the subject pipelines should consider industry standards as well as District standards. Industry standards are relevant in assessment of the pipe's functionality under conditions such as internal pressure and trench and live loading. District standards are relevant in consideration of the minimum requirements for acceptance into the District's water system if this were a new project. We have assessed the findings against both standards.

Industry Standards

IEC calculated required wall thickness for the DIP based on AWWA Standard C150-14 Thickness Design of Ductile Iron Pipe. We performed these calculations for working pressures of 150, 175, 200, and 225 psi internal pressure. This pressure range was selected for comparison with a range of pressures that a new system constructed pursuant to District standards would be designed under. Subsequent trench load and deflection checks were also made.

Calculations are provided as Attachment B.

District Standards

District Water System Standard Specification Section 500 sets forth design criteria for water facilities. Type of water main pipe mandated for distribution pipe in the 4 through 12-inch diameter size is AWWA C900 polyvinyl chloride (PVC), DR 14 pipe. Standard Specification Section 15064 provides further details on the allowable pipe materials and performance requirements. AWWA C900 DR 14 pipe has a stated pressure class of 305 psi which has a published long-term capacity safety factor of 2.

Working Pressure Determination

For the purposes of this analysis we selected 200 psi as the benchmark for evaluation of the existing pipe condition with respect to how much remaining wall in the existing DIP should be considered as acceptable. This is based on engineering judgement on a reasonable maximum pressure service that an equivalent new PVC water distribution pipe system mandated by current District design criteria and standard specifications should be expected to provide.

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Using a 200 psi working pressure, the minimum allowable remaining wall in the existing DIP would be 70%. Of the 34 pitting locations identified in the 12-inch diameter Woodland Heights Glen pipe, 30 were found to have less than 70% remaining wall. The three pitting locations found in the 8-inch diameter Kensington Glen pipe; one was found to be at 70% of remaining wall; the others greater than 70% remaining wall.

These findings are based on inspection of a portion of pipe at the project site. It is reasonable to expect to see a similar pattern of degraded wall thickness across the remaining uninspected pipe (approximately 9,100 linear feet of pipe). A linear extrapolation suggests there could be 100 to 150 additional pitting indications of similar magnitude across the remaining uninspected pipe.

DISCUSSION OF REMAINING AND CONDITION BASED USEFUL LIFE

Table 2 provides an assessment of remaining and condition based useful life for the existing 12-inch diameter Woodland Heights Glen pipe, where most of the defects were found. An assessment was made for each inspected pipe length. An initial useful life for DIP of 75 years was selected for the evaluation. The pipe was then derated by 13 years for the time it has already spent in the ground to arrive at a remaining useful life. Then a condition based useful life was determined by applying a linear degradation pattern for pipe without pitting indications, pipe with pitting indications of 70% or less remaining wall assigned a zero useful life , and pipe with pitting indications slightly over 70% remaining wall assigned at 10-12% remaining useful life and converted to years. Using this approach an additional 8 sections of pipe would need approach zero useful life within approximately the next 8 years.

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CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS

12-inch Pipe

Based on the inspection findings and subsequent calculations and analysis, there is a substantial pattern of premature failure in the 12-inch Woodland Heights Glen pipe and additional pitting locations can be expected in the uninspected portions of pipe. With an approximate projected total of 200 pitting locations in the 12-inch Woodland Heights Glen pipe spot repairs or surgical replacement of pipe sticks may not be practical in that unintended damage to adjacent pipe may be unavoidable and additional leaks encountered as an unintentional consequence and the entire piping system may be compromised. A more efficient and better long term solution would be to simply remove the entire linear footage of 12-inch ductile iron pipe and replace it in the same alignment with new 12-inch diameter AWWA C-900 PVC pipe and fittings that is procured and installed in accordance with District standards and subject to a rigorous construction inspection process by District staff. Existing services and appurtenances can likely be re-connected to the new pipeline.

8-inch Pipe

The 8-inch ductile iron pipe on Kensington Glen is in considerably better condition and did not exhibit pipe sections with less than 70% remaining wall. Consideration should be given to inspecting the remaining portions of 8-inch pipe at the site to determine its condition.

These solutions would provide the District with a robust and more reliable water system that is able to be properly pressure tested and placed into service to serve the needs of the community well into the future.

ATTACHMENTS:

Figure 1 – 12-inch Woodland Heights Glen Pipeline

Figure 2 – 8-inch Kensington Glen Pipeline

A – PICA Report

- A1 PICA Report Addendum Technology & Analysis
- B Allowable RW Calculations

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FIGURE 2: KENSINGTON GLEN DEFECT LOCATIONS

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Condition Assessment Report

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RFT ILI Tool 8" Kensington Glen Ductile Iron Watermain 12" Woodland Heights Glen Ductile Iron Watermain

Mesa Rock, CA

PICA Project: 7095

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Executive Summary

Between December $4th$ and $5th$, 2019, PICA, under contract with Infrastructure Engineering Corporation, inspected two ductile watermain sections using Remote Field Testing (RFT) technology. The inspected watermains, which are located in Mesa Rock, California, are owned and operated by the Vallecitos Water District (VWD). More specifically, the inspected sections are:

- *The 8" Kensington Glen (KG) DI Watermain:* From the Kensington Glen/ Hampton Glen intersection to the southeast end of Kensington Glen.
- *The 12" Woodland Heights (WHG) DI Watermain:* From the Woodland Heights Glen/ Hampton intersection to the Palos Vista Reservoir tank.

Access to the watermains was gained through excavated access pits at the above-noted locations. In both lines, the SeeSnake tool successfully inspected the entire distance between access points. A total distance of 706ft was logged along the 8" KG watermain, while 2,059ft was logged along the 12" WHG watermain.

Analysis of the RFT data from both sections identified the following pitting indications:

- *8" Kensington Glen (KG) DI Watermain:* A total of three (3) pitting indications were identified in two (2) pipe segments, all measuring 70% remaining wall (RW) or more. The two shallowest indications, both measuring 80% RW and found in Pipe 0410, are reported with lower confidence due to being small volume defects.
- *12" Woodland Heights (WHG) DI Watermain:* A total of 49 pitting indications were identified among 34 pipe segments. More specifically, five (5) indications measured less than 21% remaining wall (RW), 14 indications measured between 21% and 40% RW, 12 indications measured between 41% and 60% RW and 18 indications measured 60% RW or shallower. The two deepest defect indications measured as a through-hole (0% RW) and a likely through-hole (1% RW). These defects are found in the following segments:
	- o Pipe 0640: 1% RW, 7:00 at 1060.32ft;
	- o Pipe 1020: 0% RW, 10:00 at 1695.22ft.

Immediately following the RFT inspection of the 12" Woodland Heights Glen watermain, detailed preliminary analysis results were provided for two areas of interest (AOI):

- AOI #1: 70% deep defect at 1665.6ft at 10:00 "Large indication other nearby wall loss"
- AOI #2: 60% deep defect at 1120.0ft at 10:30 "Wall loss close to a feature, possible collar"

On December 24 and 30, 2019, Cass Arrieta crews potholed and excavated the above locations in order to verify the accuracy of the RFT results. Both AOI's were located precisely where the RFT data identified them axially and circumferentially. The feedback received from both verifications was used to re-calibrate the results during the comprehensive analysis of the RFT data. As a result, the values contained within this report supersede those submitted following the preliminary analysis. In general, the refined defect sizing was found to be 20% to 30% deeper than the preliminary results.

Table 1 provides an overview of the RFT findings for both sections.

Figures 1a and 1b illustrate the distribution of localized wall loss with respect to remaining wall and circumferential location along the inspected section of the 8" Kensington Glen DI Watermain. Note that there may be some (partially) overlapping data points due to defect proximity.

Figure 1b: Circumferential distribution of pitting regions along the inspected section of the 8" Kensington Glen DI Watermain.

Figures 2a and 2b illustrate the distribution of localized wall loss with respect to remaining wall and circumferential location along the inspected section of the 12" Woodland Heights Glen DI Watermain. Note that there may be some (partially) overlapping data points due to defect proximity.

Figure 2a: Distribution of wall loss with respect to remaining wall (%NWT) in pitting regions along the inspected section of the 12" Woodland Heights Glen DI Watermain.

Figure 2b: Circumferential distribution of pitting regions along the inspected section of the 12" Woodland Heights Glen DI Watermain.

Inspection Overview

RFT Tool Information

PICA's SeeSnake RFT tool is an advanced condition assessment tool for the inspection of ferrous pipelines. The SeeSnake tool is designed to find localized areas of wall loss and provide the depth and length of individual wall loss defects. These parameters are critical in predicting the burst pressure of pipes, aiding in the prevention of leaks and catastrophic burst failures. Unlike screening technologies such as leak detection or average wall assessments that require follow-up inspection efforts, the SeeSnake inspection tool provides engineers with high resolution and actionable information that can be used to make rehabilitation and replacement decisions.

Two different sized SeeSnake RFT tools were used during the inspection of the 8" Kensington Glen and 12" Woodland Heights Glen DI watermains. Figure 3 shows both tools prior to the December 2019 inspections.

Figure 3: Both 8" SeeSnake (top, with red centralizers) and 12" SeeSnake (bottom, with black centralizers) RFT tools ready to be sanitized with a chlorine solution prior to the inspections.

Calibration

In order to determine the optimal RFT tool settings (for the highest possible defect sensitivity), a test run of the SeeSnake RFT tool is performed using a short section of pipe with the same nominal properties (wall thickness and grade) as the pipe being inspected. Short calibration test runs were performed prior to the RFT inspections of both the 8" Kensington Glen and 12" Woodland Heights Glen lines.

The calibration scans spanned the first 30ft from the respective launch pits of both lines. The results of these scans allowed for the selection of optimal inspection frequency settings, which were determined to be 77Hz for the 8" KG watermain and 42Hz for the 12" WHG watermain.

In addition to the 30ft test scans, verification information supplied shortly after the submission of preliminary results was used to further refine the 12" WHG results. The verification information provided physical pit-depth measurements for two areas of interest (AOIs), which had been identified in the RFT data as having localized wall loss during the preliminary analysis. The confirmed wall loss depths from the verifications were used as "ground truth" references and used to re-calibrate the analysis results of the 12" line contained within this report.

Inspection Details

8" Kensington Glen DI Watermain

On December 4th, PICA technicians arrived on site for inspection of the 8" Kensington Glen DI watermain. Winches were set up at two excavated access pits – the launch pit, located near the intersection of Kensington Glen and Hampton Glen, and the retrieve pit, located at the upper southeast end of Kensington Glen. Using compressed air, a foam pig with trailing winchline was blown from the retrieve pit (cul-de-sac end) to the launch pit (intersection end) thus stringing the watermain. At the launch pit, both winch lines were attached to the leading and trailing ends of the SeeSnake tool and the tool was inserted into the line. Two 30ft-long calibration scans were performed at different frequencies to determine the optimal tool settings for this inspection.

The SeeSnake tool was winched towards the retrieve pit at an average inspection velocity of 14ft/min. Upon arrival at the retrieve pit, the SeeSnake was removed from the line. The data was downloaded on site and confirmed to be of acceptable quality for analysis. Figure 4 shows the excavated access pits used during the inspection of the 8" KG watermain.

Figure 4: 8" KG access pits – Left: launch pit near the Hampton Glen intersection with the 8" SeeSnake visible just before commencing the 706ft run between both access pits; right: retrieve pit at the southeast end of Kensington Glen. as the 8" SeeSnake is being pulled through the line for the RFT inspection.

12" Woodland Heights Glen DI Watermain

On December 5th, PICA technicians arrived on site for inspection of the 12" KG DI watermain. Winches were set up at two excavated access pits: the "*launch pit*" located near the intersection of Woodland Heights Glen and Hampton Glen, and the "*retrieve pit*" located at the west end of Woodland Heights Glen, near the Palos Vista Reservoir tank. Using compressed air, a foam pig with trailing winchline was blown from the retrieve pit to the launch pit. A slight delay was encountered as one of the air release valves was found to be bleeding off air. In consultation with VWD personnel, it was decided that a gauge run was not required given the excellent condition of the tethering pig.

The winch line from the retrieve pit was then attached to the leading end of the SeeSnake tool, while a secondary winchline was attached to the trailing end. Using the two winchlines, a single 30ft-long test run was performed prior to the RFT inspection (the tool was pulled into the main using the leading winchline and pulled out again with the trailing tether).

Once the tool setting was confirmed, the SeeSnake tool was winched towards the retrieve pit at an average inspection velocity of 12ft/min. The tool surged and travelled at slightly higher velocities in the first 200ft of the line before eventually reaching and maintaining an optimal speed.

Upon arrival at the retrieve pit, the SeeSnake was removed from the line. The data was downloaded on site and confirmed to be of acceptable quality for analysis. Figure 5 shows the excavated access pits used during the inspection of 12" WHG watermain.

Figure 5: 12" WHG access pits – Left: *launch pit* near the Hampton Glen intersection with the 12" SeeSnake tool being lowered for insertion into the line; right: *retrieve pit* near the Palos Vista Reservoir tank prior to setting up the winch line.

• 5:45PM: Hampton Glen site packed up. Crews demobilize.

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Analysis Results – 8" Kensington (Elderwood) Glen DI Watermain

Location Reporting, Pipe Lengths & Features

The total distance logged during inspection of the 8" Kensington Glen DI Watermain was 706.46ft, with the zero-datum point set at the edge of the pipe cut-out in the excavation near the intersection of Hampton (Briar Patch) Glen and Kensington (Elderwood) Glen. A second excavation, located at the southeast end of Kensington Glen, served as the retrieve pit. The inspected distance represents the full span between both access pits. Note that the data for the first 3.10ft long pipe segment was not analyzed due to its short length and proximity to the open end of the watermain.

Two standard pipe lengths were observed within the inspected section. The first 25 standard pipe segments averaged 9ft in length, and the remaining 24 standard pipes averaged 18ft. A number of shorter pipe segments were identified adjacent to pipeline features and are documented in Table A1 in Appendix A. A total of six (6) pipeline features, listed in Table 3 below, were identified in this section.

General Wall Thickness

All pipe segments longer than 2.5ft were analyzed to obtain the average remaining wall thickness calculated over the length of the pipe. This average remaining wall thickness is referred to as the "PARW" value (Pipe Average Remaining Wall).

Due to manufacturing tolerances, fluctuations of $\pm 15\%$ in the individual PARW values are common. Variations outside the normal ±15% spread can be an indicator of a different nominal wall thickness or pipe type, or point towards a problem like aggregate pitting or general wall loss. The PARW values in this section were found to be within the expected tolerances.

Figure 7a on page 16 plots the measured PARW values in addition to the minimum circumferential (T_{circmin}) and maximum circumferential remaining wall (T_{circax}) for each pipe in the inspected section. Note the wall thickness variations within each of the 18ft sticks; a number of those have portions considerably thicker than the 0.25-inch nominal. All values for this figure can be found in Table A1 in Appendix A.

Local Wall Thickness

A total of three (3) pitting indications were identified in two (2) pipe segments, all measuring 70% remaining wall (RW) or more. The two shallowest indications, both measuring 80% RW and found in Pipe 0410, are reported with lower confidence due to being small volume indications. Table A1 in the Appendix details the three worst pitting indications per pipe (Tmin1, Tmin2 and Tmin3) in this section. The same results are shown graphically in Figure 7a on page 16.

Analysis Results – 12" Woodland Heights Glen DI Watermain

Location Reporting, Pipe Lengths & Features

The total distance logged during inspection of the 12" Woodland Heights Glen DI Watermain was 2,059.0ft, with the zero datum point set at the edge of the pipe cut-out in the excavation near the intersection of Woodland Heights Glen and Hampton (Briar Patch) Glen. A second excavation, located at the west end near the Palos Vista Tank, served as the retrieve pit. The inspected distance represents the full span between both access pits. Note that the data for the first 7.70ft was not analyzed due to its short length and the tool's proximity to the pipe opening.

During the launch of the tool, odometer information for three short sections of the 12" watermain was slightly compromised by the tool surging and increased velocities over short distances. The overall impact of these surging events and higher velocities over the fully inspected distance of the line is believed to be minimal as wheeled ground measurements between pipeline features were used to correct for any discrepancies.

For sections where the tool surged, local length adjustments were made by averaging the observed odometer errors across all affected pipes. The affected sections are listed below:

- *Pipes 0030 to 0110*: Tool velocities ranged between 9ft/min and 16ft/min in this section, with localized surging occurring intermittently over a 70ft span. An averaging of the odometer errors was applied to a total of nine (9) pipes, resulting in a length of 9.29ft for all affected pipes.
- *Pipes 0130 to 0170*: Tool velocities ranged between 9ft/min and 14ft/min in this section, with localized surging occurring intermittently over a 58ft span. An averaging of the odometer errors was applied to a total of five (5) pipes, resulting in a length of 18.80ft for all affected pipes.
- *Pipes 0230 to 0250*: While no surging occurred in this section, tool velocity gradually increased up to 13ft/min over a 40ft span. An averaging of the odometer errors was applied to a total of three (3) pipes, resulting in a length of 18.53ft for each affected pipe.

Two standard pipe lengths were observed within the inspected section of the watermain - 9ft and 18ft. The majority of the section is comprised of 18ft segments while a small number of pipes, including the first 109ft from the launch pit near the Hampton (Briar Patch) Glen intersection, were found to consist of the shorter 9ft segments.

Table 4 below provides a complete list of all pipeline features identified in this section. Please note that the ARV in pipe 0640 is 12ft further east in the RFT data than Cas Arrieta's above ground measurements.

** These tees are suspected to be the original laterals for the hydrants in this area. It is believed that the hydrants were later relocated following the construction of the watermain and that new tees were hot-tapped at different locations. If this assumption is correct, it is likely that these tees are capped/blinded.*

General Wall Thickness

All pipe segments longer than 4ft were analyzed to obtain the average remaining wall thickness calculated over the length of the pipe. This average remaining wall thickness is referred to as the "PARW" value (Pipe Average Remaining Wall).

Due to manufacturing tolerances, fluctuations of $\pm 15\%$ in the individual PARW values are common. Variations outside the normal ±15% spread can be an indicator of a different nominal wall thickness or pipe type, or point towards a problem like aggregate pitting or general wall loss. While PARW values in the inspected section of the watermain were largely within the expected tolerances, a general trend of decreasing PARW values was noted along the line from east to west. More specifically:

- The first 1000ft from the launch at Hampton (Briar Patch) Glen (Pipes 0010 to 0630) measured PARW values within a few percentage points of 100% nominal thickness.
- The following 395ft (Pipes 0640 to 0870) exhibited a slight decrease in PARW across a number of pipes suggesting that this area may be experiencing low-level general corrosion (\sim 5% deep). It is worth noting that three segments within this span, Pipes 0640, 0690 and 0750, are reported to contain a significant localized wall loss indication (1% RW, 26% RW and 12% RW respectively).
- A noticeable PARW decrease of up to 15% was observed in the last 612ft of the line (Pipes 0880 to 01240). While the PARW values in this region remained within the noted manufacturing tolerances, the increased incidence of localized corrosion with a large number of defects measuring deeper than 30% RW indicates that it is probable that a fair number of pipes in this area are experiencing general corrosion.

Figure 7b on page 17 plots the measured PARW values in addition to the minimum circumferential (T_{circmin}) and maximum circumferential remaining wall (T_{circmax}) for each pipe in the inspected section. All values for this figure can be found in Table A2 in the Appendix section.

Local Wall Thickness

A total of 49 pitting indications were identified among 34 pipe segments. More specifically, five (5) indications measured less than 21% remaining wall (RW), 14 indications measured between 21% and 40% RW, 12 indications measured between 41% and 60% RW and 18 indications measured 60% RW or shallower. Additional details are provided below for all "deep" pitting indications that measured less than 21% RW.

- *Pipe* $0640:1\%$ *RW, 7:00 at 1060.32ft This defect may be a through-hole.*
- *Pipe 0750:* 12% RW, 5:30 at 1255.51ft
- *Pipe 0940:* 19% RW, 10:30 at 1559.47ft
- *Pipe 1020:* 0% RW, 10:00 at 1695.22ft This defect was reported as area of interest (AOI) $\#1$ following the preliminary analysis. This defect was excavated and verified as a through-hole. Additional information regarding the verification is provided in the following section.
- *Pipe 1040:* 14% RW, 12:00 at 1733.15ft

Table A2 in the Appendix details the three worst pitting indications per pipe (Tmin1, Tmin2 and Tmin3) in 12" watermain. The same results are shown graphically in Figure 7b on page 17.

It is important to note that the results presented in this report supersede those provided following the preliminary analysis, wherein two AOIs were highlighted for immediate attention. Both reported AOIs were excavated and verified following the RFT inspection, with the results summarized in the following section.

Verification Results

Immediately following the RFT inspection of the 12" Woodland Heights Glen watermain, detailed preliminary analysis results were provided for two areas of interest (AOI):

- *AOI #1:* 70% deep defect at 1665.6ft at 10:00 "Large indication other nearby wall loss"
- *AOI #2:* 60% deep defect at 1120.0ft at 10:30 "Wall loss close to a feature, possible collar"

On December 24, 2019, Cass Arrieta crews potholed and excavated the above locations in order to verify the accuracy of the RFT results. Both AOI's were located precisely where the RFT data identified them axially and circumferentially.

On December 30, 2019, the pipe sections containing the AOIs' were cut out and replaced, and detailed wall thickness measurements were performed. The reported sizing for the both defects was found to under call the actual depths by about 25%. Table 5 below summarizes the results of the verification work:

**PICA's remaining wall measurements after calibration finetuning. PICA's updated sizing of 26% RW for AOI2 is within the standard reporting error margin.*

The feedback received from the two verifications was subsequently used by PICA to finetune the calibration during the comprehensive analysis of the RFT data. As a result, the values contained within this report supersede those submitted following the preliminary analysis. In general, the refined defect sizing was found to be 20% to 30% deeper than the preliminary results.

Figure 7a shows an overview of the structural condition of the 8" Kensington Glen DI Watermain. This figure plots the minimum circumferential (Tcircmin), maximum (Tcircmax) and average (Tavg) remaining wall of each segment of pipe, as well as the three deepest defects within each pipe segment.

Figure 7b shows an overview of the structural condition of the 12" Woodland Heights Glen DI Watermain. This figure plots the minimum circumferential (Tcircmin), maximum (Tcircmax) and average (Tavg) remaining wall of each segment of pipe, as well as the three deepest defects within each pipe segment.

Appendix A – Pipe List and Wall Thickness Readings

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Appendix B – Verification Photos of AOI #2 (Pipe 0690) - 12" Woodland Heights Glen DI Watermain

Figure B1: Verification photos of AOI #2 - Pipe 0690, 26% remaining wall (10:30) at 1149.63ft. To the right of the corrosion patch is a collar for a service connection. *All photos are courtesy of RFYeager Engineering.*

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Abbreviations & Terminology

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Glossary

Average Wall Thickness (Tavg, PARW): The wall thickness that would occur by recasting the existing metal on the pipe barrel so that it is uniform across the axial length. The average pipe wall can vary up to ±15% due to manufacturing. Variations outside the normal 15% spread can be an indicator of a different nominal wall thickness or pipe type, or a point towards a problem like aggregate pitting or general wall loss.

Circumferential Wall Thickness: Metal loss that is uniform in depth around the pipe's circumference at a given axial location. The "maximum" circumferential wall thickness (Tcircmax) indicates the thickest circumferential wall thickness for a single pipe while the "minimum" circumferential wall thickness (Tcircmin) indicates the thinnest. Figure 1 illustrates all wall thickness terms.

Nominal Wall Thickness (NWT): The thickness of the pipe wall where there is assumed to be no corrosion or circumferential wall loss (ie: 100% RW). Normally, a manufacturer will designate a NWT or NWT range (in mm or inches) for a specific pipe material, diameter and class.

One-Sided Wall Loss: Metal loss that occurs predominantly on one side of the pipe – also referred to as "pitting" or "eccentric wall loss".

Pipe Average Wall Thickness (Tavg, PARW): The wall thickness that would occur by recasting the existing metal on the pipe barrel so that it is uniform across the axial length. The average pipe wall can vary up to ±15% due to manufacturing. Variations outside the normal 15% spread can be an indicator of a different nominal wall thickness or pipe type, or a point towards a problem like aggregate pitting or general wall loss.

Pitting: Localized corrosion of a metal surface that is confined to a point or small area. Up to three deepest pitting regions in each pipe are provided in this report as Tmin1, Tmin2 and Tmin3.

Remote Field Testing (RFT): A non-destructive examination method that induces an electromagnetic field that is then detected outside the direct coupling zone (ie: in the "remote" zone) after it has passed completely through the object being examined. RFT is also called "remote field eddy current" (RFEC).

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Condition Categories

In some reports, pitting is expressed as Shallow, Medium, Deep or Advanced. For example, if a pitting region has 35% remaining wall, the pitting would be classified as "Deep" pitting.

The condition of the thinnest point on each pipe (as defined above) in conjunction with the number of corrosion indications is used to determine the overall condition of the pipeline into poor, fair or good. Loosely defined:

If you would prefer to use a different condition coding system for this report, please inform your PICA representative.

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Remote Field Operation

SeeSnake Tool Description

PICA Corp's SeeSnake line of tools employs Remote Field Technology (RFT) for measuring pipe wall thickness. RFT technology works by detecting changes in an AC electromagnetic field generated by the tool by interacting with the metal in the pipe, becoming stronger in areas of metal loss. These electromagnetic field interactions are measured by on board detectors. All data is processed using A/D converters and digital processors and then stored on the tool itself. This data is then downloaded to PICA offices and analysed using dedicated in house software to calculate wall thickness of the line.

The SeeSnake tools' articulated mechanical design gives it flexibility to negotiate 90-degree short radius elbows. The hard diameter of the tool is significantly smaller than the inner diameter (ID) of the pipe to allow for protrusions, lining and scale. Centralizers maintain a uniform annulus between the tool and the pipe. The connection with the street-level operator is made through a wireline, which runs over an odometer sheave to provide an accurate distance reading of the tool's progress through the pipeline. The tool detects wall thinning caused by corrosion or erosion, as well as line features such as joint couplings, branches and elbows. The maximum range is defined by the length of the wireline for tethered runs.

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Background Information

In the basic RFT probe shown below, there is one exciter coil and one detector coil. Both coils are wound co-axially with respect to the examined pipe and are separated by a distance greater than two times the pipe diameter. The actual separation depends on the application, but will always be a minimum of two pipe diameters. It is this separation that gives RFT its name: the detector measures the electromagnetic field remote from the exciter. Although the fields have become very small at this distance from the exciter, they contain information on the full thickness of the pipe wall.

The detector electronics include high-gain instrumentation amplifiers and steep noise filters. These are necessary in order to retrieve the remote field signals. The detector electronics output the remote field signal to an on-board storage device. The data is recalled for display, analysis and reporting purposes after the examination process is completed.

Remote Field Technology (RFT)

RFT Tools work by measuring the "time of flight" (phase shift) and the signal strength (amplitude) of a signal emitted by an exciter coil and detected by an array of receivers. The receivers are positioned circumferentially so that they essentially are sensitive to the many clock locations of the pipe circumference.

For each cycle of the exciter frequency, a clock is started and the arrival time of the signal at the detector is used to re-set the clock. The time interval is a measurement of the time of flight, and indirectly, the wall thickness of the pipe.

There are many important considerations affecting in-line RFT inspection results. These can be subdivided into four categories:

- \triangleright The physical quantities measured by the ILI tool. Most ILI tools indirectly measure the wall thickness and infer the wall thickness though a calibration. Ultrasonic (UT) tools measure the "time-of-flight" of sound, while Magnetic Flux Leakage (MFL) tools measure the magnetic field. RFT tools measure both the time-of-flight and the signal strength of a varying electromagnetic field.
- \triangleright The design of the tool. Pipe inspection tool design is a compromise between countless design criteria. Lift-off and resolution are important considerations, but so are bend negotiation ability, battery life, pipe size range, centralization, wall thickness range, suspension, etc.
- \triangleright The delivery procedure. Most tools have an optimal inspection speed and provide the best results when the speed is consistent. Going faster or slower means less than optimal results. This is an especially important consideration when tools are run in gaseous media.
- \triangleright Noise and other interference sources. These can be caused by both internal sources and external sources. A major problem for many tools is the cleanliness of the pipe. A dirty pipe can cause artifacts in the data that may mask flaws.

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Physical Parameters Measured by RFT Tools

RFT technology measures three quantities:

- \triangleright Wall thickness of ferromagnetic pipes
- \triangleright Magnetic permeability
- \triangleright Electrical conductivity

These three factors are measured simultaneously and convey different, important information. For steel pipes, the electrical conductivity remains fairly constant over the length of a pipe segment, meaning that any RFT signal changes along the length of a pipe are mainly due to wall thickness and permeability changes.

Magnetic permeability is not usually a factor of interest. However, in lines that are subjected to soil load stresses, the permeability variations can be significant. For lines known to be under external stresses (for example due to geological ground movement) the permeability variations measured by an RFT tool can be very valuable. Permeability variations produce signals that generally lie just outside the RFT wall loss reference curve that analysts use to differentiate between wall loss and permeability; while wall loss signals lie inside the reference curve.

In the data from cast and ductile iron water lines, we generally notice significant changes in wall thickness along the length of a pipe segment. This appears to be fairly typical, even for brand new pipes that come straight from the foundry. The variation is believed to be the result of the manufacturing process. To capture the spread in wall thickness, we generally report both the minimum and maximum wall thickness per pipe (measured circumferentially without local defects).

Besides wall thickness variations, we occasionally note magnetic permeability variations in the data. These are generally from two sources:

- \triangleright Roller marks. These present themselves as a band of noise across all channels on the tool. The marks can be sizeable and can mask small volume wall loss defects.
- \triangleright Permeability changes caused by stresses induced during installation of the line. These typically are localized indications within a couple of feet of a bell and spigot joint. They are believed to mark the points where the pipes were held when the joints were assembled.

Tool Propulsion and Delivery

A common problem encountered during tethered runs in air-filled pipe is tool surging. The surges consist of the tool being stationary one moment and surging forward the next. Speed surges are most severe when the length of the tether on the pulling winch is at its maximum, or the tether is wrapping around multiple bends. The surges are often completely missed by the field operator as the winch reels in at a constant velocity and no surging is visible from above ground. Contributors to surging are tool friction, wireline friction and wireline stretch and weight.

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Interference and Noise Sources

There are three different sources of interference on the RFT data:

1. Interference from electrical sources on board the tool

There are two types of interferences caused by the tool itself: electrical noise and the exciter response to defect signals.

Electrical noise from onboard the tool will be consistently present in the data and will therefore result in a constant noise amplitude. This type of noise can be filtered out easily during the post processing stage.

When the exciter coil on an RFT tool passes an area with significant wall thickness change, the "exciter response" to this wall thickness change (like a Bell and Spigot joint, an Elbow, or Valve) will be visible in the data. If the exciter response is large, it can mask the tool response to smaller defects.

2. Noise from electrical sources outside the tool

The noise from these types of sources will increase with proximity. The closer the tool to the source, the higher the noise level will become. The noise will fade out as the tool moves away from the noise source. This type of noise can be hard to remove during post-processing and may mask flaws in the pipe. Cathodic Protection systems can induce electrical noise on the data from the pipeline and electrical cables that run parallel to the line or cross it can induce noise as well.

3. Vibration induced noise

Mechanical vibration can create false indications or cause the tool to miss flaws. This is called "travel noise". For example when the tool moves through a larger cross, the tool is subjected to a significant diameter change that causes the tool modules to tilt and temporarily lose concentricity with the pipe. This tilting action will create signal artifacts on the data.

Presenting RFT Data: Stripchart Display & Phase-Amplitude Diagrams

A stripchart displays the detector data as a function of time or the axial distance along the length of the pipeline. Phase and log-amplitude are the preferred quantities for the stripchart display because they are both linear indicators of overall wall thickness. The general convention for stripcharts is that deflections to the left represent metal loss and deflections to the right wall thickening (Figure 3).

A phase-amplitude diagram (Figure B2) is a two-dimensional representation of the detector output voltage with the angle representing phase with respect to a reference signal and the radius representing amplitude (ASNT E 2096). Axial distance information is not available on phase-amplitude diagrams yet they are used for sizing flaws. By combining phase-amplitude diagrams with stripcharts, the distance information can be included.

Figure 4: RFT phase-amplitude diagram.

Phase-amplitude diagrams are also known as "voltage plane displays". On the voltage plane display, the nominal signal is placed at (1,0). Besides the detector information, the voltage plane has a number of static components: the origin, the x- and y-axes and the exponential skin depth reference curve. The curve starts at (0,0) (ie: zero voltage at origin) and follows a spiral that traces the path (locus) of the phasors as the overall wall thickness decreases. Full circumferential flaws fall directly on this curve. The figure on the right illustrates examples of fully circumferential defect indications.

Calibration

For the best possible RFT accuracy, a calibration is performed using a short section of pipe with the same nominal pipe properties (wall thickness and grade) as the pipe being inspected. Under ideal conditions, a full pipe section with a half pipe on each end (to create two full connections and eliminate any "end effect") in good condition are provided by the Client. PICA will create artificial defects of varying depth and diameter in this pipe and run the RFT tool through it several times at various frequencies. The signal produced during this process is then compared to the signal produced during the field surveys to better quantify remaining wall calculations.

In the absence of such a calibration pipe or to confirm the accuracy of the calibration (especially in the case where the test sample is not representative of the majority of the pipes in the inspected line), calibration test results are supplemented by mathematical calibrations. Simply, the analyst will build a histogram of the thickest RFT phase reading per inspected pipe section and create a calibration from this histogram. This assumes that the thickest phase readings are unaffected by possible corrosion. Using this method, defect sizing accuracy is expected to be ±20% for short (local) wall loss and ±10% for long (general) wall loss for pitting above the limit of detection and sufficiently removed from major features (such as Girth Weld connections).

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CALCULATIONS FOR

CONDITION ASSESSMENT

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ve at 1058.53ft, 12:00. Please note that this ARV is 12ft further ata than Cas Arrieta's above ground measurements. A possible RW , 7:00) was identified at 1060.32ft.

*Pipes with 60% or less wall thickness remaining highlighted in orange.

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ect was reported as AOI#2 in the preliminary report. This location d cut out. Considerable external corrosion was observed, posibly water service connection (10" away).

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 $(0%$ RW) defect was reported as AOI #1 in the preliminary developed a leak when the line was filled and pressurized after n. The polyethylene wrap was found to be in good condition and deposits were observed. This segment was cut out and replaced

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