

The City of San Bruno, California

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Pursuant to the contracted agreement between the US Department of Transportation, Pipeline Hazardous Materials Safety Administration (PHMSA) and the City of San Bruno, and in compliance with Article III, Expected Program Outputs, the City of San Bruno submits this final report demonstrating completion of Technical Assistance Grant (TAG) #DTPH5615GPPT07L. The City of San Bruno (the City) was awarded Technical Assistance Grant (TAG) #DTPH5615GPPT07. A no cost time extension was requested and granted. The resulting grant number is #DTPH5615GPPT07L.

In compliance with Article X. Reports: Section 10.01 Final Report, The City hereby delivers this letter-type final report to the GOTR and the AA and includes Section 10.02 Federal Financial Report, Standard Form 425 (SF-425).

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**Introduction:**

The City sought to complete a project that would convert disenfranchised cultures created through pipeline failure tragedy into resilience based safety cultures by providing outreach and a venue for survivors to transition from the experience of tragedy to proactive involvement in pipeline safety. In order to vet such an entity, The City sought the services of c.a.s.e. Consulting Services, LLC to research, identify, analyze and review existing survivor and disaster assistance programs and services that could be used as a framework for a National Pipeline Survivor Support System. As part of the research process, and in cooperation with consultant Pipeline Safety Coalition, a collaborative meeting of trauma specialists was held for subjective insights to creating such an entity.

The meeting was hosted at the National Transportation Safety Board offices, at invitation of Chairman Chris Hart; an outstanding indication of support. Attending were experts in trauma that included Mothers' Against Drunk Driving, the Red Cross, NTSB, Office of Safety Recommendations & Communications, PHMSA and many more. Obtaining commitment from these entities to forge and participate in a National Pipeline Survivor Support System begins the achievement of promoting a change of heart from a helpless culture to a resilience based culture when pipelines fail. See the final report of this project as submitted by c.a.s.e. Consulting Services, LLC. for more details and for the comprehensive report of development of an organizational framework and operational strategy for implementing a National Pipeline Survivor Support System (NPS3).

In compliance with the statement of work, The City and it's contractors have researched and develop a National Pipeline Survivor Support System which will provide outreach and a venue for survivors to transition from the experience of tragedy to proactive

involvement in pipeline safety. The organizational framework supports public awareness, including increased awareness of “811 – Call Before You Dig” program, promulgates community education, provides a mechanism to encourage and empower victims of gas explosions and leaks to have a voice in not only influencing regulatory changes that support community safety but also oversight of regulators and regulatory change, engages known survivors for their subjective input in vetting and for their long term participation in a National Pipeline Survivor Support System.

A MCPS webpage highlights the MCPS National Pipeline Survivor Support System (NPS3) report and will grow the NPS3 by and with its social media campaign. Fundraising, Facebook and LinkedIn will lead and also follow NPS3's progress. One such expansion initiated during the grant and continuing in progress was initiated by consultant, Pipeline Safety Coalition, for participation in the 2018 United Nations Office for Disaster Risk Reduction (UNISDR) and the United Nations General Assembly International Day for Disaster Reduction (IDDR). The goal of IDDR is to promote a global culture of disaster reduction, including disaster prevention, mitigation, and preparedness. For 25 years the IDDR has worked to increase global awareness of efforts to build disaster resilient communities and nations. The 2017 theme was “Home, Safe Home” and was held in October. We were unable to participate in 2017, but have been encouraged by PHMSA and others to report our findings and raise awareness of the Survivor Network to the IDDR in 2018. Achievable only through the work of this grant, interaction with IDDR will further vet connections to promote partnerships and provide funding longevity for the Survivor Network. And on a boots on the ground success story from the achievements of this grant, local communities in Pennsylvania (Community Advocacy Networks: CAN) who are focused on emergency response and pipeline safety support inclusiveness of Survivor Network efforts in their long term goals.

Attachment 1: Final Report