

# Natural Gas STAR Methane Challenge Program Implementation Plan

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### Partner Methane Challenge Commitments<sup>1</sup>

#### **BMP** Commitment Option

|                                       | Source  |  | Achievement Year |  |
|---------------------------------------|---|--|------------------|--|
|                                       | Onshore Production  |  |                  |  |
|                                       | Pneumatic Controllers   |  |                  |  |
|                                       | Fixed Roof, Atmospheric Pressure Hydrocarbon Liquid Storage Tanks |  |                  |  |
|                                       | Gathering and Boosting  |  |                  |  |
|                                       | Pneumatic Controllers   |  |                  |  |
|                                       | Fixed Roof, Atmospheric Pressure Hydrocarbon Liquid Storage Tanks |  |                  |  |
|                                       | Reciprocating Compressors - Rod Packing Vent                      |  |                  |  |
|                                       | Centrifugal Compressors - Venting                                 |  |                  |  |
| Natural Gas (NG) Processing           |   |  |                  |  |
|                                       | Reciprocating Compressors - Rod Packing Vent                      |  |                  |  |
|                                       | Centrifugal Compressors - Venting                                 |  |                  |  |
| NG Transmission & Underground Storage |   |  |                  |  |
|                                       | Reciprocating Compressors - Rod Packing Vent                      |  |                  |  |
|                                       | Centrifugal Compressors - Venting                                 |  |                  |  |
|                                       | Transmission Pipeline Blowdowns between Compressor Stations       |  |                  |  |
|                                       | Pneumatic Controllers   |  |                  |  |
| NG Distribution                       |   |  |                  |  |
|                                       | Mains – Cast Iron and Unprotected Steel (Commitment Rate: )       |  |                  |  |
|                                       | Services – Cast Iron and Unprotected Steel                        |  |                  |  |
|                                       | Distribution Pipeline Blowdowns (Commitment Rate: )               |  |                  |  |
|                                       | Excavation Damages  |  |                  |  |
|                                       |   |  |                  |  |

## **Partner Methane Challenge Commitments**

#### **ONE Future Emissions Intensity Commitment Option**

| Segment: | Intensity Target | Target Year: |  |
|----------|------------------|--------------|--|
|          |                  |              |  |

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### Milestones/Timeframes for Meeting Commitments:

MidAmerican Energy Company's (MidAmerican) Damage Prevention Program is designed to measure and lessen damages to MidAmerican's gas pipelines and applies to all MidAmerican gas transmission and distribution facilities, regardless of whether the facility is underground or aboveground.

The six elements of MidAmerican's Damage Prevention Program are:

- 1) Damage Prevention
- 2) Performance
- 3) Stakeholder Communications
- 4) Management of Change
- 5) Program Quality Control
- 6) Forms and Records

#### Milestones and timelines:

- Complete evaluation metrics for EPA methane challenge and define how the metrics are gathered December 31, 2017
- Complete gathering of baseline metrics March 1, 2018
- Complete the evaluation and mitigation improvement review of the 2018 data May 1, 2018
- Evaluate initial program implementation October 1, 2018

#### Reporting:

MidAmerican currently reports greenhouse gas data as part of the GHGRP for Subpart NN and Subpart W sources. Separate reports under the GHGRP are files for MidAmerican system segments in Iowa, Illinois, South Dakota, and Nebraska, per EPA requirements. All of these segments make up the MidAmerican natural gas distribution system as a whole. MidAmerican will utilize the reporting methods specified by the EPA for the applicable industrial segment and source category covered by our Damage Prevention Program.





| Emission Source                     | Elements to be Collected                              |
|-------------------------------------|---|
|                                     | Total number of excavation damages                    |
| Excavation damages – natural gas    | Total number of excavation damages per thousand       |
| distribution network                | locate calls  |
|                                     | Total number of excavation damages per class          |
|                                     | location (optional) <sup>1</sup>                      |
|                                     | Total number of excavation damages by pipe            |
|                                     | material (steel, cast iron, copper, plastic etc.) and |
|                                     | part of system involved (main, service, inside        |
|                                     | meter/regulator set, etc.)                            |
|                                     | Total number of excavation damages which              |
|                                     | resulted in a release of natural gas                  |
|                                     | Total number of excavation damages which              |
|                                     | resulted in the pipeline being shut down              |
|                                     | Total number of excavation damages on pipelines       |
|                                     | or facilities with supervisory control and data       |
|                                     | acquisition-based systems in place <sup>2</sup>       |
|                                     | Total number of excavation damages by type that       |
|                                     | caused excavation damage incidents <sup>3</sup>       |
|                                     | Total number of excavation damages where the          |
|                                     | operator was given prior notification of excavation   |
|                                     | activity  |
|                                     | Total number of excavation damages by apparent        |
|                                     | root cause  |
|                                     | Actions taken to minimize excavation                  |
| Voluntary action to reduce methane  | damages/reduce methane emissions from                 |
| emissions during the reporting year | excavation damages                                    |
|                                     |   |
|                                     | Company-specific goal for reducing excavation         |
|                                     | damages and/or methane emissions from                 |
|                                     | excavation damages (when available)                   |
|                                     | Progress in meeting company-specific goal (when       |
|                                     | available)  |

NOTES:

<sup>1</sup> This information is not available, MidAmerican will not be reporting on this measure.

<sup>2</sup>This data will be reported as available. Not all areas within MidAmerican's service territory have this type of data system in place.

<sup>3</sup>MidAmerican is defining an incident reported here as being a DOT reportable incident to PHMSA and state authorities.

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