

# Gas Gathering Workshop

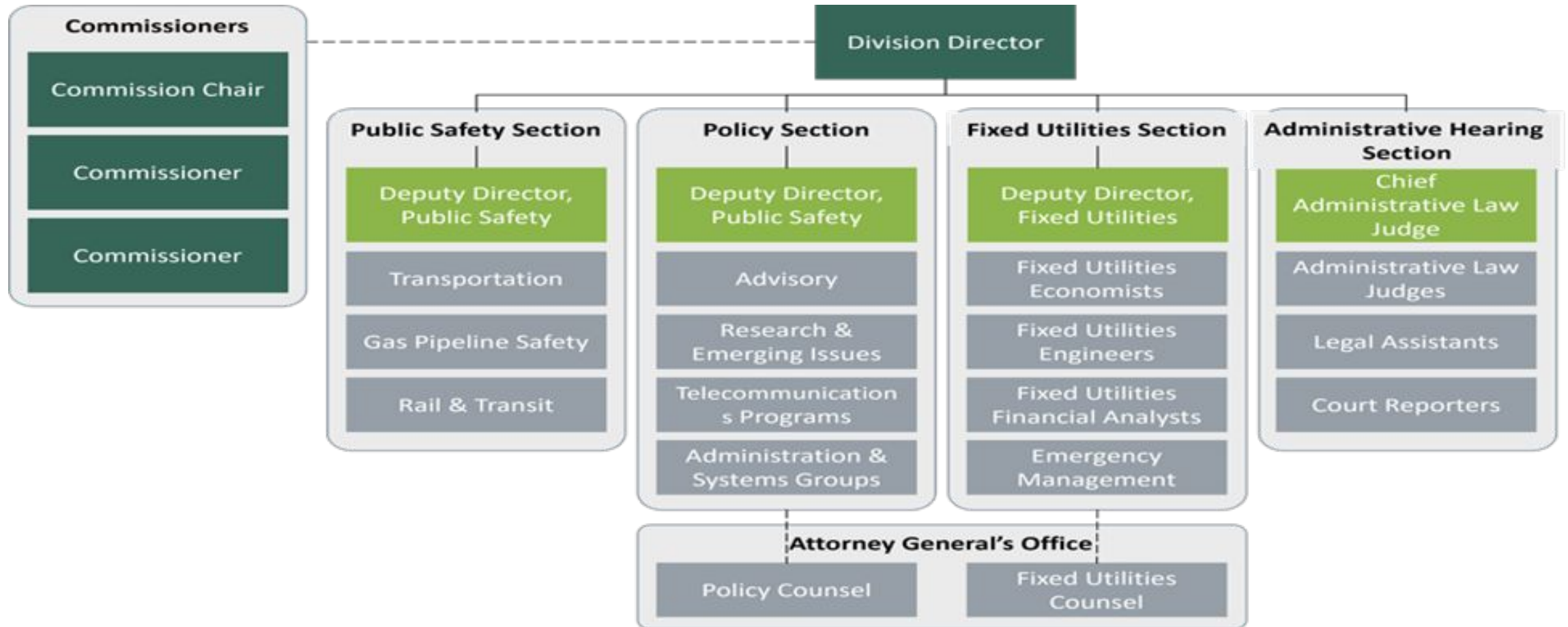
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# Agenda

- Pipeline Safety Program Introduction
- Incident and CO Event Reporting
- CO Rulemaking
- Gas Gathering Workshop

# PUC Organizational Chart



# Pipeline Safety Program Structure

## Program, Enforcement, & Risk Unit

- Programmatic Audits
- Enforcement
- Risk Assessment

## Construction, Qualification, & Inspections Unit

- DTC Inspections
- Repair Inspections
- OQ Audits

## Operations, Maintenance, & Inspections Unit

- Standard Inspections
- Screenings of new operators
- Special Inspections

## Program Administration Unit

- Tracks program metrics for reporting to all agencies
- Involved in PSP's oversight: PUC, DORA, and PHMSA.

# Incident and Event Reporting

§191.3 & 723-11-11102

- Federal Definition of Incident
- State Definition of Event
- Complaint

# Incident Reporting Requirements

§191.3 & 723-11-11102(a)

- Death or personal injury necessitating in-patient hospitalization
- Estimated property damage of \$149,700 (changes annually)
- Unintentional estimated gas loss of 3 million cubic feet or more
- Emergency shut down of an LNG facility or UNGSF
- An event that is significant in the judgement of the operator

# Event Reporting Requirements

723-11-11102(b)

- An unplanned/emergency event that occurs on the pipeline system that results in the evacuation of 50 or more people from a normally occupied building or property;
- An unplanned/emergency event that occurs on the pipeline system that results in the closure of all lanes in either direction of a roadway or railroad;
- An unplanned/emergency event that occurs on the pipeline system that results in the evacuation of four or more residential structures;

# Event Reporting Requirements

723-11-11102(b)

- An unplanned/emergency event that occurs on the pipeline system that results in a service outage of 100 or more customers;
- An event that requires active soil vapor extraction for a period exceeding 48 hours as measured from the time the extraction device is turned on at the site until the operator determines soil vapor extraction is no longer necessary.
- A MAOP-exceedance event that requires the operator, pursuant to its procedures, to implement follow-up actions such as a leak survey; or
- An event that, in the opinion of the operator, requires courtesy notification to the PSP.



# CO Rulemaking Update

- Proceeding 25R-0280GPS, opened June 26, 2025
- Addresses Advanced Leak Detection Technology (SB 21-108 & SB 25-1280)
- Initial comments: July 22, 2025
- Response to Initial comments: July 29, 2025
- Remote hearing: August 5, 2025
- Additional comments: August 15, 2025
- Recommended Decision: forthcoming

# Links

- [ECMC Pipeline Report](#)
- [ECMC, PUC, PHMSA Jurisdiction Diagram](#)
- [Pipeline Safety Program Website](#)
- [Pipeline Safety State Rules](#)

# Questions

<https://puc.colorado.gov/gaspipelines>