

CER Safety Advisories



Date	Number	Name	Related information
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2024-12-03	SA 2024-01	Safety Advisory SA 2024-01 – Pipeline Fitting Materials Quality Assurance	
2022-05-19	SA 2022-02	Safety Advisory SA 2022-02 – Control of Hazardous Energy	
2022-04-13	SA 2022-01	Safety Advisory SA 2022-01 – Depth of Cover in Agricultural Areas	
2020-02-12	SA 2020-01	Girth Weld Area Strain- Induced Failures: Pipeline Design, Construction, and Operation Considerations	
2019-07-03	SA 2019-01	Potential for Low Toughness and Lack of Fusion of Weld Zone in Hyundai API 5L Electric Resistance Weld (Hyundai API 5L ERW) Pipe	Identification and Demonstration of Continued Fitness for Service of Hyundai API 5L Electric Resistance Weld (Hyundai API 5L ERW) Pipe and Order MO-032-2019 [Filing_C00252]

Safety Advisory

- Outline concerns identified
- Technical information
- Clarification of regulatory expectations

We release advisories to let industry know important information about concerns we have identified. Advisories are developed from following up on incidents and events and examining emerging issues.

We expect companies to take steps to address the concerns noted in advisories to protect people and the environment.

Date	Number	Name
2024-08-01	IA 2024-002	Information Advisory IA 2024-002 – Management System Audits
2024-01-22	IA 2024-001	CER Expectations for Emergency Preparedness and Response for a Potential Fire Incident at Liquid Storage Tank Facilities
2023-08-01	IA 2023-002	Information Advisory IA 2023-002 – Management System Audits
2023-07-06	IA 2023-001	Canadian Standards Association Z662:23 Standard
2022-07-19	IA 2022-001	2021-22 CER Contaminated Site Management Audits: Lessons Learned
2021-08-12	IA 2021-003	2020-21 CER Compliance Audits: Lessons Learned
2021-04-15	IA 2021-002	All Company Letter regarding conduct in the

Information Advisory

Cover a broad spectrum of subjects

- Outline concerns identified
- Technical information
- Clarification of regulatory expectations

Provide information and clarification on all matters outside of the safety sphere. We also expect companies to take steps to address the concerns noted in advisories to protect people and the environment.

Composition of a Safety Advisory

- Purpose
- Point to an incident that captures the concern
- Back it up with data
- Provide advice on how to improve





Damage Prevention Safety Advisories

Provide advice to:

- Regulated companies
- Contractors
- Project owners
- Landowners

• Essentially *any person* conducting activities in the safety zone (PA)

Most of our advisories are directed at the regulated companies, but DP Safety advisories often provide advice for third parties as well as the company. DP is a shared responsibility, but remember that the pipeline company still has the lion's share of that responsibility.

The point here is not to point fingers or lay blame, it is to see where improvements can be made. We have to step away from that defense mode – we all know that everyone here has a vested interest in preventing damage; it's what we do, and we all work very hard. But we are learning organizations and we have all of this excellent data that is telling us a story. We have a responsibility to make things better.

In Damage Prevention we do the right thing for
the right reasons

How can you leverage Safety Advisories?

- Recommended actions
- Take them seriously!



Work with your teams to see how you can improve your programs – you may have to shake things up. Just because you've always done something one way does not mean that it can't change. We are looking for signs that these recommendations are being implemented – we still point to an Information Advisory from a few years ago regarding a Patrol Audit and reporting by exception.

We are all feeling the budget squeeze, but we can't fall asleep at the wheel when we are dealing with safety – if your senior management asks why you need the money to improve your DP &PA programs, you tell them it's a regulatory requirement.

Things that can improve:

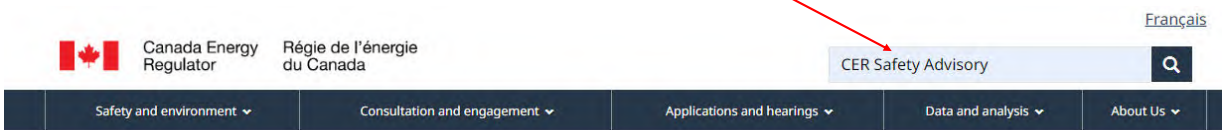
- Burying safety information in the bowels of the crossing agreement
 - Why not provide a "go/no go" checklist to the equipment operator – they're the people who are at risk.

We've been using these crossing agreements to provide the safety measures – have you ever seen a crossing agreement in a trackhoe? How do you know that the operator has read Schedule "C" and understands the hazards? There is a better way to get that info across to the people exposed to the hazard – it is a responsibility under both the DPR-O and the OPR.

Just because the lawyers have the measures in reg-speak in the agreement doesn't mean that is the only way to provide it – indeed, you are required to ensure that third parties understand the measures and the meaning of the marks.

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- Or type your request in the search box



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