



## Part 5 Class- Stopping Gas Flow/Leak Repair

**Training**- 3 Day Session.....(Hands-On- 8 Hours).....16 Hours  
**Testing** (48 Hours after Training)- 1 Day Session.....6 Hours

NOTE: Failed Hands-On Evaluations will be charged a retesting fee, and must be done by a NGA evaluator (Minimum time is 48 Hours after a failed evaluation)

### Classroom Training:

- Class Overview
- Safety/PPE

### Covers Tasks:

- 23/24 Inspect the Condition of Exposed Pipe
- 29/30A-Repairing a Plastic, Steel and Cast Iron Distribution Pipe
- 35- Stopping Gas Flow
- 36 & 47- Abandonment of Facilities
- 37- Tapping a Cast Iron, Steel , Plastic Pipe
- 39- Removing a Service Tee from a Steel and Cast Iron Main
- National Fuel Procedure Manual Sections Referring to Material Listed Above.

### Hands-On Training:

- Pit Depth Gauge
- Bagging
- Stopping-Williamson
- Tapping- Williamson/Footage
- Squeezing- Manual/ Hydraulic
- Leak Repair- Live Steel/Plastic Leaks (Group Activity)Tapping
- Tapping- Steel Punch Tee
- Anaerobic Injection
- Encapsulation



**Testing:**

- NGA-WE-23/24-Inspecting the Condition of Exposed Pipe
- NGA-WE-29A/30A- Repairing a Plastic, Steel and Cast Iron Distribution Main
- NGA-WE-35A- Stopping Gas Flow (Valves, Bagging, Mechanical & Squeeze-off)
- NGA-WE-36/47- Abandonment of Facilities
- NGA-WE-37B-Tapping Cast Iron Pipe
- NGA-WE-37C-Tapping Steel Pipe
- NGA-WE-39A-Removing Service Tee from a Steel and Cast Iron Main
- NFG-WE-800-Part 5 Operating and Maintenance Procedures
- HANDS-ON- NGA-35.1- Squeeze-off
- HANDS-ON- NGA-35.2- Bagging
- HANDS-ON- NGA-35.3- Mechanical
- HANDS-ON- NGA-35.1- Squeeze-off
- HANDS-ON- NGA-37B.1/37C.1- Tapping Cast Iron and Steel

**Below is the Covered Tasks Listing the Domains and Elements that will be covered during Training Class.**

**TASK #23/24: Inspecting the Condition of Exposed Pipe**

1. Types of Pipe and Coating
  - a. Knowledge of the different types of pipe materials
  - b. Knowledge of the different types of coating materials
2. Inspecting for Pipe and Coating Damage
  - a. Knowledge of external pipe inspection practices
  - b. Know how to identify gouges, nicks and scratches
  - c. Know how to identify actual or potential facility damage due to improper installation
  - d. Know how to identify coating damage
3. Abnormal Operating Conditions Involving Exposed Pipe
  - a. Know how to respond to damage found on exposed pipe



## **TASK #29/30: Repair Distribution Line Leaks**

1. Assessment of Distribution Pipeline Damage
  - a. Know how to determine the type of pipe and pipeline uncovered
  - b. Know actions to take when pipeline damage is identified
2. Repair of Plastic Pipe
  - a. Know how to identify gouges, kinks and scratches
  - b. Knowledge of potential sources of ignition
  - c. Knowledge of static electricity and steps to prevent it
  - d. Knowledge of the repair clamp process
  - e. Know-when to replace vs. repair a segment of plastic pipe
3. Repair of Steel Pipe
  - a. Know how to identify cause of damage
  - b. Know-how to select a repair method
  - c. Knowledge of the clamp installation process
  - d. Knowledge of the coupling installation process
  - e. Knowledge of the split sleeve installation process
  - f. Know-when to replace vs. repair a segment of steel pipe
4. Repair of Cast Iron Pipe
  - a. Know how to identify cause of damage
  - b. Know how to select a repair method
  - c. Knowledge of the joint clamp installation process
  - d. Knowledge of the joint anaerobic sealing process
  - e. Know when to replace vs. repair a segment of cast iron pipe
5. Abnormal Operating Conditions
  - a. Know how to identify and respond to records discrepancies

## **TASK #35: Stopping Gas Flow**

1. Stopping Gas Flow Fundamentals
  - a. Knowledge of system flow and pressures
  - b. Knowledge of system monitoring during stopping operations
  - c. Knowledge of reasons for stopping gas flow
2. Stopping Gas Flow by Use of Valves
  - a. Requisite – Inspect and Operate Valves
  - b. Know how to identify and use valves for gas stopping work



3. Stopping Gas Flow by Squeeze-off
  - a. Knowledge of squeeze-off tool selection, inspection and use
  - b. Know how to verify pipe specifications
  - c. Knowledge of where to squeeze off
  - d. Knowledge of the plastic squeeze-off process
  - e. Knowledge of steel pipe and hydraulic squeeze-off process
  - f. Demonstrate squeeze-off and release process
4. Stopping Gas Flow by Bagging
  - a. Knowledge of bag/diaphragm selection and inspection
  - b. Knowledge of bagging process, including bag installation and removal
  - c. Demonstrate bag installation and removal process
5. Stopping Gas Flow by Use of Stopping Equipment
  - a. Knowledge of equipment and fitting selection
  - b. Knowledge of stopping equipment installation and removal process
  - c. Demonstrate equipment installation and use process
6. Abnormal Operating Conditions
  - a. Know how to identify and respond to insufficient shutoff
  - b. Know how to identify and respond to pipe damaged in stopping off gas
  - c. Know how to respond to a missing coupon

### TASK #36: Abandonment or Deactivation of Facilities

1. Fundamentals of Abandonment
  - a. Know the differences between abandoned and inactive pipelines
2. Abandonment Process
  - a. Knowledge of procedures for abandoning a pipeline
  - b. Knowledge of appropriate locations for abandoning a pipeline
  - c. Knowledge of abandoned end sealing process
3. Abandonment Documentation
  - a. Knowledge of documentation requirements

### TASK #37: Tapping Pipelines Under Pressure

1. Tapping a Plastic Pipeline with Specialized Equipment
  - a. Knowledge of the fittings used for tapping
  - b. Knowledge of the tapping process
  - c. Know how to identify and respond to a tapping failure
  - d. Know how respond to a dropped coupon



- e. Demonstrate the tapping process
- 2. Tapping a Cast Iron / Ductile Pipeline with Specialized Equipment
  - a. Knowledge of the fittings used for tapping
  - b. Knowledge of the tapping process
  - c. Know how to respond to a tapping failure
  - d. Demonstrate the tapping process
- 3. Tapping a Steel Pipeline with Specialized Equipment
  - a. Knowledge of the fittings used for tapping
  - b. Knowledge of the tapping process
  - c. Know how to identify and respond to a tapping failure
  - d. Know how respond to a dropped coupon
  - e. Know how to identify and respond to wall thickness irregularities
  - f. Demonstrate the tapping process

**TASK #39: Removing Service Tee or Fitting from Steel and Cast Iron Pipe**

- 1. Distribution System
  - a. Know-How and Why to Measure System Pressure
  - b. Knowledge of Pipe Material and Fittings
  - c. Know-the Importance of System Pipe Size
- 2. Fitting Removal Process
  - a. Knowledge of the Process to Remove a Fitting on Cast Iron Pipe
  - b. Knowledge of the Process to Remove a Fitting on Steel Pipe
- 3. Abnormal Operating Conditions
  - a. Know How to Respond to a Cracked Cast Iron Pipe
  - b. Know How to Respond to Corrosion on the Pipe Surface or Hole