

BACKGROUND INFORMATION

Ascend Energy Solutions offers solutions to midstream operators to support their general operations and maintenance management requirements. As experienced owners and operators of regulated assets, we have successfully developed operations and maintenance plans, operating and capital budgets, staffing and training requirements, emergency response and incident management plans, and asset integrity/reliability plans for both greenfield projects and current in-service operating systems.



ABOUT THE CLIENT

Our client is an experienced midstream owner of a broad set of PHMSA regulated assets servicing the crude oil and natural gas industry. Their services take advantage of the existing production and projected growth in the United States by providing the strategic transportation pipeline networks to meet the needs of multiple producers and downstream facilities across various integrated markets.

THEIR CHALLENGE

Our client needed a team experienced in the operations and maintenance of regulated pipeline assets to support the development of a greenfield pipeline system during the various stages of project development.

They chose Ascend to act as the owner's representative with their third-party engineering firm to ensure that the final project was capable of meeting both overall O&M requirements, as well as ensure that the required regulatory programs were integrated during the project development. Our team has more than 100 years of experience in operating and maintaining PHMSA-regulated assets.

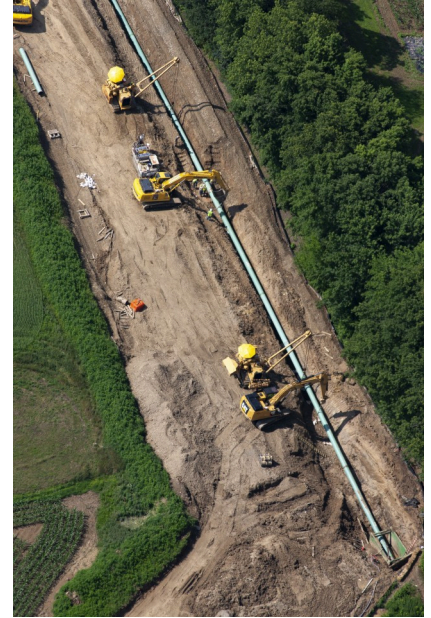


Pipeline Operations Owner's Representative

OUR SOLUTION

Ascend's approach to the challenge was to develop a comprehensive operations and maintenance management plan, including the integrated regulatory DOT PHMSA program requirements during the various project development stages.

Ascend first reviewed all relevant operating assets and critical maintenance requirements specific to the asset design. We developed a comprehensive operations and maintenance strategy, the associated staffing skillset/training requirements, the compliance programs specific to the DOT PHMSA regulated assets, emergency management response and incident management criticality assessments, and completed the budget profiles for operations, maintenance, spare parts, and critical contractor support profiles.



RESULTS

It is critical for regulated asset owners who develop or expand existing asset infrastructure to have a well-defined operations and maintenance program to ensure both regulatory compliance requirements and reliable asset integrity are maintained.

Ascend's strategies for operations and maintenance program management ensured our client's project development include the necessary pricing for both O&M, integrity/reliability management, and regulatory compliance program management.

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FEATURED PROJECT

