COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

n the Matter of:		
STREIBLE PLUMBING, LLC)	
)	CASE NO. 2022-00177
ALLEGED VIOLATION OF UNDERGROUND FACILITY DAMAGE PREVENTION ACT)	2022 00111

INITIATING ORDER FOR ALLEGED 811 VIOLATION OF THE KENTUCKY UNDERGROUND FACILITY DAMAGE PREVENTION ACT

Streible Plumbing, LLC (Streible Plumbing) has been named as a party to an investigation before the Kentucky Public Service Commission (Commission) for allegedly violating the Kentucky Underground Facility Damage Prevention Act (Act).¹ A hearing in this case shall take place on July 29, 2022.

Pursuant to KRS 278.495(2), the Commission has jurisdiction to regulate the safety of natural gas facilities in Kentucky and to enforce minimum federal pipeline safety standards. Under the Act, the Commission has authority to investigate and assess civil penalties for any violation of the Act that results in excavation damage to an underground facility used to transport natural gas or hazardous liquid subject to federal pipeline safety laws, 49 U.S.C. § 60101, *et seq.* Any person who violates any provision of the Act is subject to assessment of a civil penalty in the amount of \$250 for the first offense, no more than \$1,000 for the second offense within one year, and no more than \$3,000 for the third and any subsequent offense. Additionally, any person whose violation of the Act

¹ KRS 367.4901 through KRS 367.4917.

results in damage to an underground facility containing any flammable, toxic, corrosive, or hazardous material or results in the release of any flammable, toxic, corrosive, or hazardous material is subject to an additional penalty of up to \$1,000.

Following receipt of a report of excavation damage to its underground gas pipeline from an operator, Commission Staff (Staff) conducted an investigation and prepared an Incident Report, a copy of which is attached to this Order as Appendix A. In its Incident Report, Staff cites Streible Plumbing for violation of the following provision of the Act:

KRS 367.4911(10) – When excavation or demolition is necessary within the approximate location of the underground facility, the excavator shall hand-dig or use nonintrusive means to avoid damage to the underground facility.

Based on its review of the Incident Report and being otherwise sufficiently advised, the Commission finds prima facie evidence that Streible Plumbing violated the Underground Facility Damage Prevention Act. The Commission further finds that a formal investigation into the excavation damage incident shall be conducted.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED that:

- 1. Streible Plumbing shall submit to the Commission, via email sent to PSCED@ky.gov with the case number of this proceeding in the subject line of the message, a written response to the allegations contained in the Staff Incident Report within 20 days of receipt of this Order.
- 2. Streible Plumbing shall appear on July 29, 2022, at 9 a.m. Eastern Daylight Time, in the Richard Raff Hearing Room of the Commission's offices at 211 Sower Boulevard in Frankfort, Kentucky, for the purpose of presenting evidence concerning the alleged violation of the Underground Facility Damage Prevention Act.
 - 3. The July 29, 2022 hearing shall be conducted via video conferencing.

- 4. Streible Plumbing shall attend the hearing by using the following link: https://global.gotomeeting.com/join/308551245; information and instructions are attached to this Order as Appendix B.
- 5. Streible Plumbing shall notify the Commission at least ten days prior to the hearing if Streible Plumbing is unable to appear by video conferencing and will therefore appear in person.
- 6. Any partnership, corporation, or business entity (including a limited liability company) must be represented by an attorney licensed to practice law in Kentucky, and such representation includes the filing of papers with and appearances at hearings before the Commission.
- 7. An individual may submit a response to the allegations contained in the Staff Incident Report without the representation of an attorney.
- 8. The Staff Incident Report 43464, attached to this Order as Appendix A, is made a part of the record in this case.
 - 9. The July 29, 2022 hearing shall be recorded by video only.
- 10. Please note that notice of a hearing to be held in this matter will be mailed to Streible Plumbing once proof of service is received by the Commission. Parties who fail to appear after service will be subject to entry of a default judgment against them.

	CE COMMISSION
Chairman	
Vice Chairman	
Commissioner	

JUN 16 2022 bsb KENTUCKY PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

ATTEST:

Executive Director

APPENDIX A

APPENDIX TO AN ORDER OF THE KENTUCKY PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION IN CASE NO. 2022-00177 DATED JUN 16 2022

THIRTY-ONE PAGES TO FOLLOW

PIPELINE DAMAGE INVESTIGATION REPORT

Investigation Information

Investigator Eric Tout Incident ID 43464 Investigation 8421

Incident Date 3/2/2021 4:30:00 PM Report Submitted 3/29/2021

Operator Information

Louisville Gas and Electric

Operator Company (LG&E) Reported By Mike Jones

Phone (502) 364-8281 Email Mike.Jones@lge-KU.com

Incident Location 3623 Highway 44 E Locate Ticket Number 2102251387

Shepherdsville KY 40165

County Bullitt

Excavator Information

Excavator Mike Streible **Organization ID** 0741321

Streible Plumbing, LLC

Phone 502-797-0718 **Email**

Address 3623 Highway 44 E Locate Ticket Number 2102251387

Shepherdsville KY 40165

Damage Report (DR) Summary

Excavation Within 18"	Gas Or Haza	rdous Liquids	Type Of Equipment Used	Cost of	Amount
(Tolerence Zone)	Contained	Released	Type Of Equipment Osed	Damage	Billed
Yes	Yes	Yes	Not specified	\$854.00	\$0.00

The Operator reports that the Excavator/Homeowner damaged a properly marked ½ inch gas service and the Excavator's employee denies causing the damage. More specifically the Operator was notified of an outage and discovered damage near the meter where recent excavation occurred. *Note:* The DR is not clear as to whether the damage was caused from the cutting of the hard surface/pavement or digging the trench and the DR does not specify the type of equipment being utilized to dig the trench.

The DR is included as Attachment 1.

	Locate Ticket (LT) Summary										
Ticket #	Valid	Incident	# of Days	Within Scope of							
Ticket # Valid Date (21 of		(21 calendar days from initial date)	Date	Expired	Excavation						
2102251387	Yes	02/25/21	03/18/21	03/02/21	N/A	Yes					

The LT is included as Attachment 2.

INVESTIGATION

On 02/16/22 the Operator, LG&E's Mike Jones, provided the following documents.

- <u>Facts-Based Investigation & Incident Field Investigation Report:</u> Which have been outlined in Attachment 1 and the DR Summary. *Note:* The Facts-Based Investigation indicates a Backhoe / Track Hoe was being utilized.
- <u>Invoice & copy of check:</u> The invoice and check indicate the excavator was billed and paid \$853.60 for the damage repair.
- 12 Photographs: Depicting the incident location. Note: The photographs of the damage pipe is not
 consistent with a saw cut.

PIPELINE DAMAGE INVESTIGATION REPORT

On 02/17/22 the Excavator, Streible Plumbing's Mike Streible, stated that he would not contest LG&E's account. Mr. Streible was receptive to attending the Damage Prevention Course and paying the reduced penalty of \$250.00.

VIOLATIONS¹

KRS 367.4911(10) When excavation or demolition is necessary within the approximate location of the underground facility, the excavator shall hand-dig or use nonintrusive means to avoid damage to the underground facility.

of Offences Within 365 Days

(Including this incident)

Excavator Last Offe Inciden		Last Offence Incident Date	Revert to 1st Offence Date (Last Offence Date +366 Days)
1 st	N/A	N/A	N/A

¹ A revision of the Underground Facility Damage Prevention Act took effect on January 1, 2022. All incidents of damage dated prior to January 1, 2022 will be reviewed under the former version of the Act



Gas Excavation Damage Report

Louisville Gas and Electric Company

Submitted 3/29/2021 Incident ID: 43464 Set back to Edit Staff Edit

Print (PDFForm.aspx?Rpt=GasInvestigation&IG=43464)

Reported By:

Name: Mike Jones

(502) 364-8281 Phone:

Email: Mike.Jones@lge-KU.com

Gas Line Incident Occured:

3/2/2021 Date:

Time: 4:30 PM

Details:

Reported Date: 3/29/2021 1:39 PM

Incident Location Address:

Location:

Address: 3623 Highway 44 E

City: Shepherdsville

State: $\mathsf{K}\mathsf{Y}$

County: Bullitt

40165 Zip:

Confirm Code:

Number of Customers out:

Was gas or hazardous liquids contained in the underground facility?

Was gas or hazardous V liquids released into the

Locate Request Ticket No.:

atmosphere?

2102251387

3/2020

Excavator: Home Owner

Excavator Address:

First Name:

Last Name: Streble

502-797-0718 Phone:

Email:

Address: 3623 Highway 44 E

City: Shepherdsville State: ΚY

Zip: 40165

Confirm Code:

Excavation Damage: Other

Description of Incident ?Underground houseline installation.

Summary Information

3/29/2021

LG&E called out for gas outage. Found service was damaged near meter from recent signs of excavation. Plumbing contractor saw cut the pavement

and dug a trench from gas meter on side of bldg back to detached

Full details such as the outbuilding for private gas line. Michael Streble said he was not on site but cause one of his employees was. He said employee claims he did not damage

anything but Mr. Streble wasn't denying that it happened. Post-locate photos show the service was marked accurately. LG&E Damage Prevention not

notified at time of damage. Broken 1/2" plastic service

Extent of the damage Cost of the damage

\$854.00

Steps taken to prevent re-occurance Amount billed to

excavator

I advised Mr Streibel of the Dig Law and PSC involvement.

\$0.00



2/3/22, 8:53 AM Ticket

NORMAL NOTICE

Ticket: 2102251387 Date: 02/25/2021 Time: 15:48 Oper: JHURT Chan:000

State: KY Cnty: BULLITT City: SHEPHERDSVILLE

Subdivision:

Address : 3623 Street : KY RT 44 Cross 1 : WATERGATE DR

Location: LOCATE THE ENTIRE LEFT SIDE OF THE PROPERTY AS YOU ARE FACING THE

PROPERTY FROM THE ROAD

:

Boundary: n 38.011583 s 38.009864 w -85.662930 e -85.657406

Work type : INSTALL GAS LINE Done for : JOE STANLEY

Start date: 03/01/2021 Time: 16:00 Hours notice: 96/47 Priority: NORM

Ug/Oh/Both: U Blasting: NO Emergency: N

Duration : N/A Depth: 2 FEET

Company : STREIBLE PLUMBING Type: CONT

Co addr : 230 MEADOWBROOK CT

City : SHEPHERDSVILLE State: KY Zip: 40165 Caller : MICHAEL STREIBLE Phone: (502)797-0718

Contact : MICHAEL STREIBLE - CELL Phone:

Mobile : (502)797-0718

Email : STREIBLEPLUMBING@LIVE.COM

Submitted date: 02/25/2021 Time: 15:48 Members: 0002 0007 0641 WINKY

2/3/22, 8:53 AM Ticket

* Responses are current as of 02/03/2022 08:53 AM

Service Area	<u>Utility Type(s)</u>	Customer Service Contact	Positive Response
LOUISVILLE GAS AND ELECTRIC 0002	ELECTRIC, GAS	LOUISVILLE GAS AND ELECTRIC CUSTOMER SERVICE (502) 589-1444	
INSIGHT COMMUNICATIONS 0007	CABLE TV	INSIGHT COMMUNICATIONS CUSTOMER SERVICE (502) 357-4400	Clear - No conflict
SALT RIVER RECC 0641	ELECTRIC		
WINDSTREAM KENTUCKY INC WINKY	TELEPHONE		



Tout, Eric V (PSC)

From: Jones, Mike (Auburndale) < Mike.Jones@lge-ku.com>

Sent: Wednesday, February 16, 2022 8:45 AM

To: Tout, Eric V (PSC)

Subject: RE: 43464, 3/2/2021, 3623 Highway 44 E., Shepherdsville, Mike Streble

Attachments: 3623 Highway 44.pdf; digtix_attachments_1645014311.zip; DigTix_Incident_Report (26).pdf; 2021030509.pdf

CAUTION PDF attachments may contain links to malicious sites. Please contact the COT Service Desk ServiceCorrespondence@ky.gov for any assistance.

From: Tout, Eric V (PSC) <ericv.tout@ky.gov> Sent: Monday, February 14, 2022 7:43 AM

To: Jones, Mike (Auburndale) < Mike. Jones@lge-ku.com>

Subject: 43464, 3/2/2021, 3623 Highway 44 E., Shepherdsville, Mike Streble

EXTERNAL email. STOP and THINK before responding, clicking on links, or opening attachments.

Hello Mike,

Please send repots, photos, invoices and payment info (copy of check) if paid.

Thanks,
Eric V. Tout
Kentucky Public Services Commission
Division of Inspections / Damage Prevention
211 Sower Blvd., Frankfort, KY 40601
Office: 502-782-2622

Office: 502-782-2622 Fax: 502-564-1582

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Internal Claim ID:	INC-2	20210310-003	3	Customer C	laim ID:				
Site Investigator:	Tracy	y Reesor		Notified At:	<u>03</u>	/10/21 15:28:00			
Notified By:	Gas Operations Dispatch 502589			91444					
Damage Location:	3623 KY I	Hwy 44 Sheph	erdsville	KY 40165					
Incident Time:	03/02/21	16:30:00							
Original Locate Req	uest: <u>21</u>	02251387		Assigned L	ocator:	ELM Locating			
Locate Request Due: 03/01/2		/01/21 15:54:	15	Locate Req	uest Completed:	02/26/21 11:45:06			
Photos Taken Before Damage? \underline{N}		? <u>N</u>							
Photos Taken of Da	mage Site	? <u>Y</u>							
Type and Size of Da	maged Uti	i lity : Natural	Gas Se	rvice/Drop 0.5					
Depth:	< 36" (0.5	5 to < 1m)							
	meter from recent signs of excavation. Plumbing contractor saw cut the pavement and dug a trench from gas meter on side of bldg back to detached outbldg for private gas line. Michael Strieibel said he was not on site but one of his employees was. He said employee claims he did not damage anything but Mr Streibel wasn't denying that it happened. Post-locate photos show the service was marked accurately. LG&E Damage Prevention not notified at time of damage.								
Equipment Used:		Backhoe/Tra	ckhoe						
Excavation Compar	ny Name:	STREIBLE P	LUMBIN	IG					
Company Address:		230 MEADO	WBROC	K CT, Shephe	rdsville, KY 4016	5			
Phone:	5027	970718		Contact Na	me: <u>MI</u>	CHAEL STREIBLE			
Working For:									
Repair Company:	LG&E								
Personal Injury: N	3rd	Party Proper	ty Dama	ige: <u>N</u>	Evacuations:	N Other: N			
Impact Comments:									
Was Locate request	ted?:		Υ	Locate Req	uest Completed	?: <u>Y</u>			
Locate Accurate (W	ithin Toler	ance Zone):	Υ	If No, Distar	No, Distance Markings Off:				
Marks Visible at Tim	Marks Visible at Time of Damage: Y				thin Scope of Ti	cket: Y			



Repair Contact Name: George Kok	Phone:	
Repair Comments: Crew found damage to	service. Spliced line	
Witness:	Phone:	
Comments:		
Witness:	Phone:	
Comments:		
Root Cause Explanation:		
Responsible Party: Streibel Plur	mbing	
Responsible Party Comments:		
Date of Investigation: 03/10/21	Investigation Time (H	lours):
Site Investigator's Name: Tracy Reeso	r Phone:	5022694079
Site Investigator's Signature: Tracy Reeso	Date:	03/17/2021
Damage Status: Excavation I	ssue	
Cause Code: Failure to us	e hand tools within tolerance zon	e
Damage Claims Manager:		





















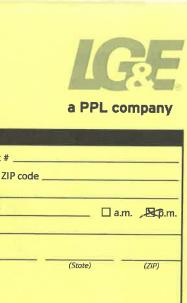








Incident Field Investigation Report — Gas



Damage report # _____ Resp. ctr._

Damage to company facilities
Date of incident a.m. Dp.m. Police report #
Address/location of damage 3623 Hwy 44 ZIP code
Subdivision name
Time dispatched 4:30 a.m. Sp.m. Time of completion 10:30 a.m. Sp.m.
Who caused damage? Mike Strable
(Name of contractor, utility, individual, etc.)
Address of party causing damage
Phone number of party causing damage (502) 297 - 0718 (Number)
Was party causing damage still on the job? 🔲 Yes 🕅 Yoo If yes, who was in charge?
If no, how did you obtain name of party causing damage?
What was damaged? Company main Customer service Company service Other
What type of work was being performed? Underground Houseline Installation
Party's explanation for damage
What repairs were made?
Any additional work to be performed? Yes Any additional work to be performed? Yes Any additional work to be performed? Number of customers out
Possible damage to others
Date of incident Time a.m.
What was damaged?
What was LG&E doing at this location?
Description of damage
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Owner of property Phone ()
Owner of property
Owner's address
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Put any additional comments on back

Approved_

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omments_								
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ft.	Pipe PE 2406: 4" IPS					0395160)	
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ea.	1" CTS Permasert coupling					0394935	5	i i
ea.	2" IPS Electrofusion CPL					0394894		
ea.	4" IPS Electrofusion CPL					0394901	L	
ea.	1" Prefab Meterloop w/reg.					0532951		

ea. Flex Riser 1" male by 1/2" IPS

ea. Flex Riser 1" male by 1" CTS

ea. Farm tap regulator (Fischer 627 with 1/8" diameter orifice)

ea. Farm tap (w/o regulator)

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0530935

ARM WR 5695012



INVOICE DATE:

04/02/2021

REFERENCE

OTPD419

Invoice

820 West Broadway Louisville, KY 40202

Louisville Gas and Electric Company

Attn: Remittance and Collection

NO.:

DTS INVOICE NO.:

2021030509

800-928-1340

AMOUNT DUE:

DUE DATE:

\$853.60 05/02/2021

STREBLE PLUMBING 230 MEADOWBROOK COURT SHEPHERDSVILLE KY 40165

PLEASE RETURN TOP PORTION WITH YOUR PAYMENT PLEASE INCLUDE INVOICE NUMBER ON ALL REMITTANCES

COST TO REPAIR:

Damaged Customer Gas Service

DAMAGE DATE:

03/02/2021

DAMAGE LOCATION:

3623 Highway 44

Shepherdsville, KY 40165

LABOR HOURS:

12.00

LABOR COST:

\$771.87

MATERIAL COST:

\$3.25

TRANSPORTATION/EQUIPMENT COST:

\$78.48

CONTRACTOR COST:

\$0.00

OTHER DAMAGE COSTS:

\$0.00

TOTAL DUE:

\$853.60

Louisville Gas and Electric Company · Remittance and Collection · 820 West Broadway · Louisville, KY 40202

	CASH ONLY IF AL Streible Plumbing, 230 MEADOWBROOK SHEPHERDSVILLE 502-797-0718	LLC CT	Y FEATURES LISTED ON E	Park Community C Louisville, KY 40: 21-7947/2830	U, Inc. 229	NG 6/28/20	5196
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APPENDIX B

APPENDIX TO AN ORDER OF THE KENTUCKY PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION IN CASE NO. 2022-00177 DATED JUN 16 2022

TWO PAGES TO FOLLOW

Information and Instructions for Hearing

You are required to attend a formal hearing with the Kentucky Public Service Commission. Please note the hearing is scheduled in the **Eastern Time Zone**, and the hearing date and time are on the Order that accompanied these instructions.

You are **strongly encouraged** to download the GoToMeeting app now and be ready for your hearing. If you cannot appear via video using this app, at least ten days prior to your scheduled hearing you must call the Commission's offices at the number provided below. You will receive instructions on appearing in person in the Richard Raff Hearing Room of the Commission's offices at 211 Sower Boulevard in Frankfort, Kentucky at the time and date of your scheduled hearing.

Please direct any questions to Ashley Rhodes, Commission Division of Inspections. <u>AshleyB.Rhodes@ky.gov</u> or 502-782-2578.

To download the GoToMeeting app go to:

https://global.gotomeeting.com/install/258846301

On the day of your hearing using your computer, tablet, or video enabled smartphone. **Access the proceeding at:**

https://global.gotomeeting.com/join/308551245

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Technical Requirements for Using GoToMeeting

Operating System:

Windows 7 – Windows 10

Appendix B Case No. 2022-00177

Mac OS X 10.9 (Mavericks) – mac OS Big Sur (11)

Linux/Ubunto (Web App only)

Google Chrome OS (Web App only)

iOS 11 - iOS 13

Android OS 5 (Lollipop) – Android 10

Web Browser: (Applies to Web App only)

Google Chrome v72 or newer

Microsoft Edge v77 or newer

Internet Connection:

Computer: 1 Mbps or better (broadband recommended)

Mobile device and Chromebook: 3G or better (WiFi recommended for VoIP)

Software:

GoToMeeting desktop app (JavaScript enabled)

GoToMeeting app from the Apple Store, Google Play Store, or Windows Store

Hardware:

2GB of RAM (minimum), 4GB or more of RAM (recommended)

Webcam device*

Microphone and speakers** (USB headset recommended)

Mobile Device:

iPhone 5 or newer

iPad 3rd gen or newer

Note: * You MUST have a camera on your device or connected to your device to appear at the hearing.

** Most devices have built-in speakers, but you will get better audio quality while connected via VoIP if you use a headset

*Streible Plumbing, LLC 230 Meadowbrook Court Shepherdsville, KENTUCKY 40165