

CALIFORNIA PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION
Safety and Enforcement Division
Gas Safety and Reliability Branch
Gas Engineering and Compliance Section

Incident Investigation Report

Report Date: 06/11/2021

Incident Number: G 20210217-3179

Utility: Pacific Gas and Electric PG&E

Date and Time of the Incident: 2/16/2021, 11:55:00 PM

Location of the Incident: [REDACTED] Petrol Rd
Bakersfield ,CA
County: Kern

Summary of Incident:

On Tuesday, February 16, 2021 at 2355 hours, PG&E was notified of a vehicle impact to Petrol Rd Reg Station at [REDACTED] Petrol Rd, Bakersfield ([REDACTED]). Gas Service Representative arrived at 0024 next day and requested gas crew for repairs. PG&E has completed and restored all service on 2/19/21. There are no reports of injuries. Fire Dept and CHP reported on site. This incident was reported to the DOT (1298195) and CPUC (210217-13784) due to the unintentional release of gas and expected repair costs being estimated at over \$50k.

Casualties: *Fatalities:* 0 *Injuries:* 0

Property Damage: \$54,000.00

Utility Facilities involved:

Pipe Material = Steel, Pipe Size = 16 (inches), MAOP = 465 (psi), Operating Pressure = 445 (psi)

Witnesses:

Name

Title

Phone

1 James Zhang

CPUC Investigator

N/A

Evidence:

<i>Source</i>	<i>Description</i>
1 PG&E	PHMSA F 7100.2
2 PG&E	PG&E response Index 14681
3 PG&E	Photos

Observations and Findings:

Based on photos, a passenger vehicle struck PG&E facilities at a regulator station which was over 20 feet from the road and it was fenced in. The release of gas is due to car resting on the regulator station valve.

Preliminary Statement of Pertinent General Order, Public Utilities Code Requirements, and/or Federal Requirements:

None

Conclusion:

SED's investigation found the gas release was caused by a passenger vehicle striking the PG&E facilities at Petro Road Reg Station. Based on the information gathered, SED did not find any apparent violation of GO 112-F by PG&E.