



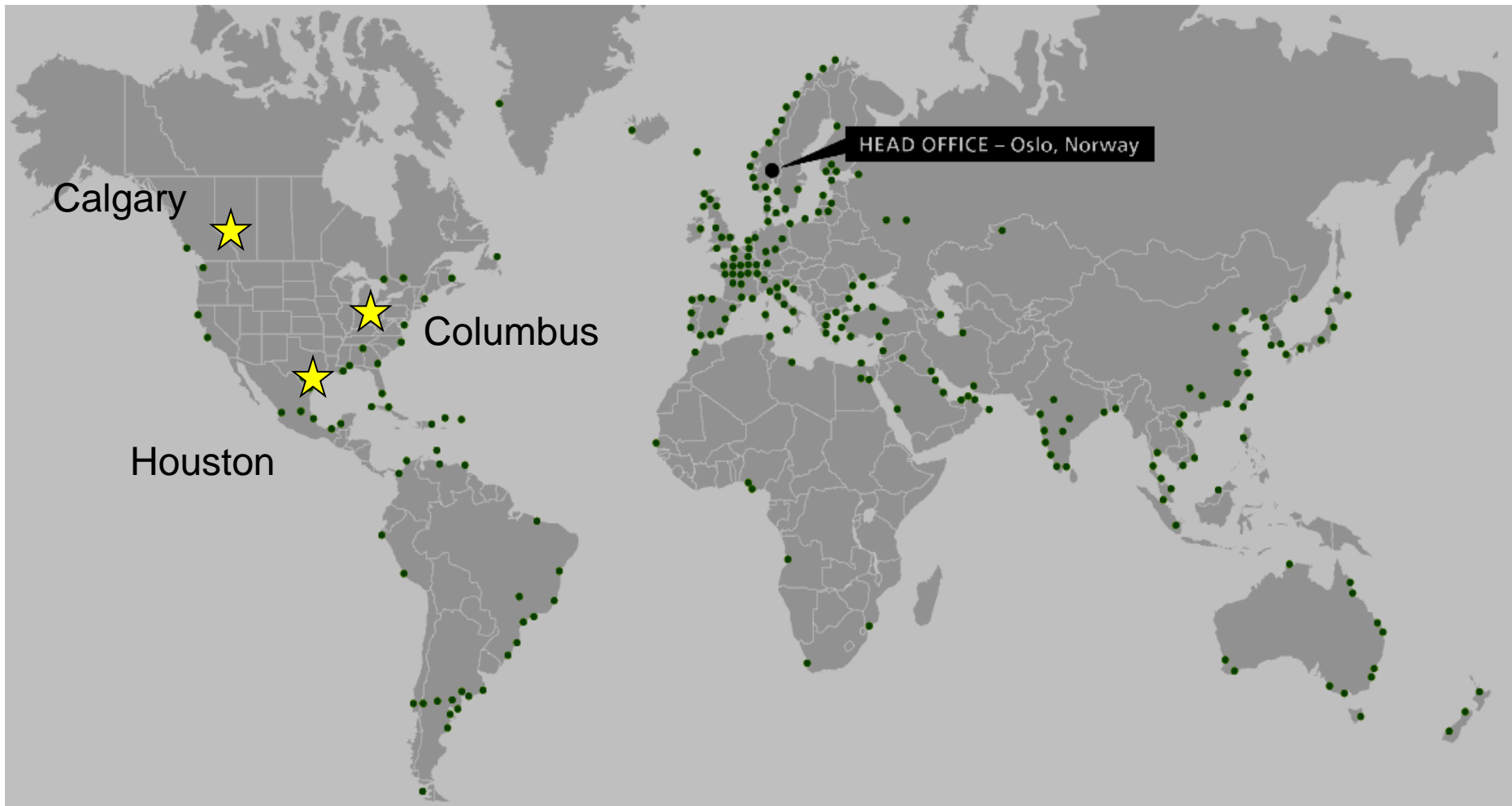
## DNV Onshore Pipeline Services

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# Onshore Pipelines and Facilities



# DNV Worldwide



# DNV Columbus



# DNV Columbus – Clients worldwide

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- BP
- Buckeye Pipelines
- Chevron
- Colonial
- Conoco Phillips
- Enbridge
- ENI
- Enogex
- Enterprise
- Explorer
- Exxon Mobil
- Kinder Morgan
- Marathon
- NiSource / Columbia Gas
- Pacific Gas and Electric
- Pembina
- Petrobras
- PHMSA (Pipeline Hazardous Materials Safety Administration – Federal Authorities)
- PRCI (Pipeline Research Council International)
- Southern Gas
- Talisman Energy
- TOTAL
- TransGas

# DNV Columbus – Problem Solving

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# DNV Columbus Organization

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- Asset Risk Management

- Integrity Solutions
  - Integrity Management
  - Risk Management
- External Corrosion Services
- Internal Corrosion Services
- Welding Technology
- Inspection Services

- Materials and Corrosion Technology Center

- Laboratory Services
- Research
- Failure Analysis
- Litigation Support Services

# Integrity Management

## ■ Integrity Management Program Support

- Planning – threat assessment, implementation strategies
- Program validation, gaps analysis and audit support
- Interpretation and application of regulations, standards, and industry practice
- Process and procedure audits
- Regulatory compliance



## ■ Risk Informed Decision Making

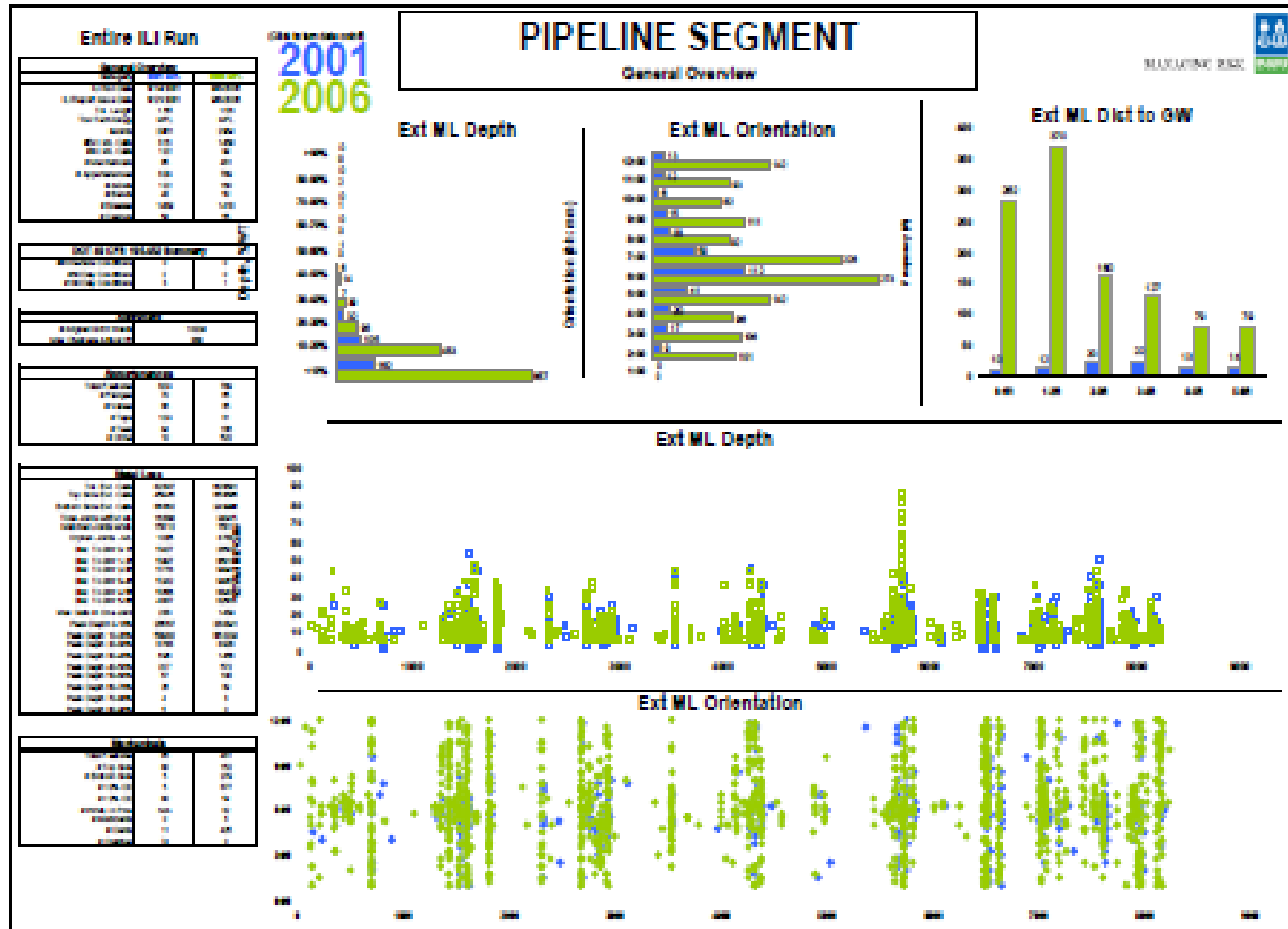
- Threat assessment for pipelines and facilities
- Software tools to model and measure the likelihood and consequence of failure
- Computer and laboratory simulations
- Incident investigations
- Risk management

# Integrity Management (2)

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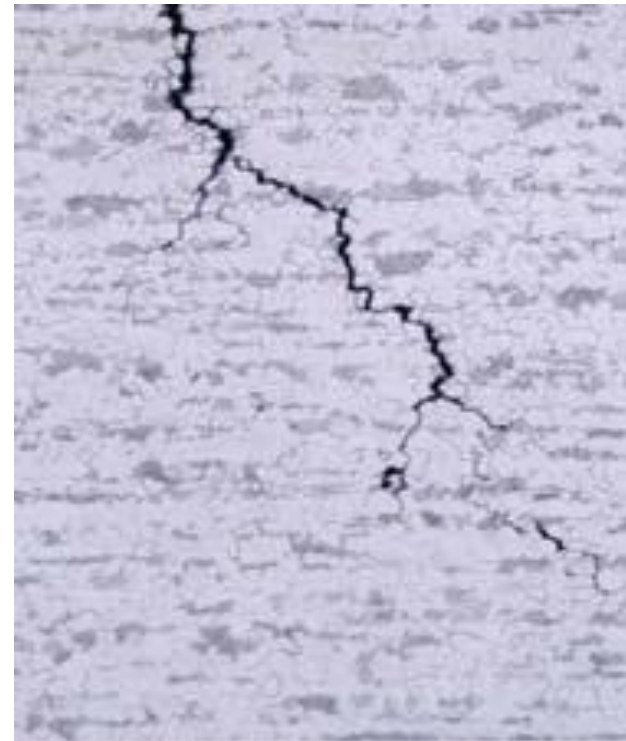
- In-Line Inspection Support
  - Data alignment and interpretation
  - Remediation planning, prioritization
  - Run comparisons – statistically active corrosion
  - Remaining life, time to failure calculations
  - Inspection intervals
- Direct Assessment (ECDA, ICDA, SCCDA)
  - Program feasibility, planning, execution
  - Data integration
- Hydrostatic Testing
  - Review of pipeline operations and service failure history
  - Establish remaining life of “just surviving” defects
  - Determine effects of fatigue
- Training and workshops

# In Line Inspection Data Analysis

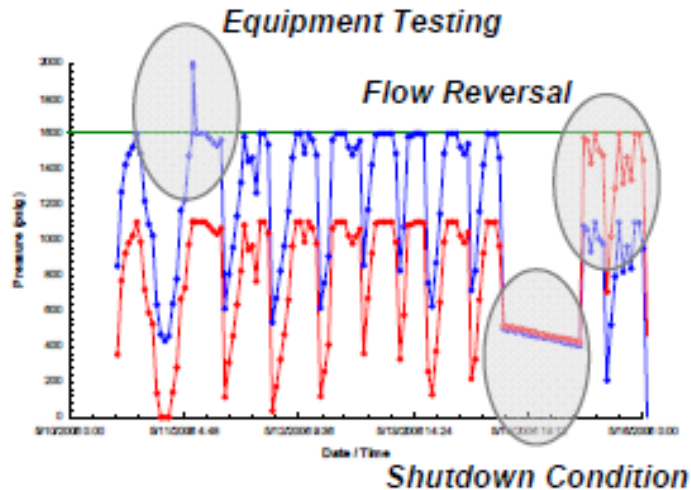


# Failure Avoidance and Asset Life Extension

- Fitness-for-Service / Engineering Critical Assessments
- Defect assessments
  - Corrosion
  - Cracking
  - Mechanical damage
- Failure pressure calculations
  - AMSE Remaining Strength
  - API 579 Assessments
  - BS 7910 Assessments
  - DNV OS-F101 ECA
  - DNV's proprietary CorLAST™ Software
  - Dent / bending strain calculations



# Failure Avoidance and Asset Life Extension (2)



**Pipeline Pressure Data (Sample)**  
(1 year of 5-minute readings desired)

- **Fatigue Analysis**
  - Rainflow cycle counting
  - Monte Carlo simulations
- **Fatigue crack growth rates**
  - In air
  - Stress corrosion cracking in both neutral and high pH environments
  - Sulfide stress cracking in hydrogen sulfide service
- **Calculation of re-assessment intervals**

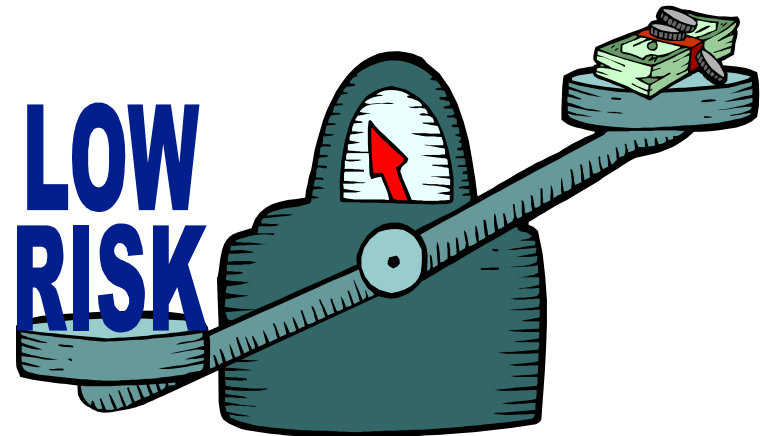
# Risk Management

- “Risk” considers both “probability” and “consequences” of failure

Probability Ranking (PoF)		Risk Category				
5	<b>Expected failure (<math>&gt;10^{-2}</math>)</b>	Yellow	Red	Red	Red	Red
4	<b>High (<math>10^{-3} - 10^{-2}</math>)</b>	Yellow	Yellow	Red	A	Red
3	<b>Medium (<math>10^{-4} - 10^{-3}</math>)</b>	Green	Yellow	B	Red	Red
2	<b>Low (<math>10^{-5} - 10^{-4}</math>)</b>	Green	Green	Yellow	Yellow	Red
1	<b>Negligible (<math>&lt;10^{-5}</math>)</b>	Green	Green	Green	Yellow	Yellow
Consequence Category		A	B	C	D	E

# Risk Management (2)

- Threat identification
  - External corrosion
  - Internal corrosion
  - Third party mechanical damage
  - Natural forces
- Determine probability and consequences of failure (= RISK)
- Determine risk ranking for pipelines / components in a given system
- Focus on high risk
- Focus on high consequences
- Focus on high risk reduction
  - Where should money be spent to gain the most benefit??



# External Corrosion Services

- External Corrosion Direct Assessment support
- Cathodic protection system, design and review
- Close interval potential surveys
- Stray current surveys
- Coating evaluation
- Soil testing
- Anode testing
- Corrosion monitoring / coupon analysis



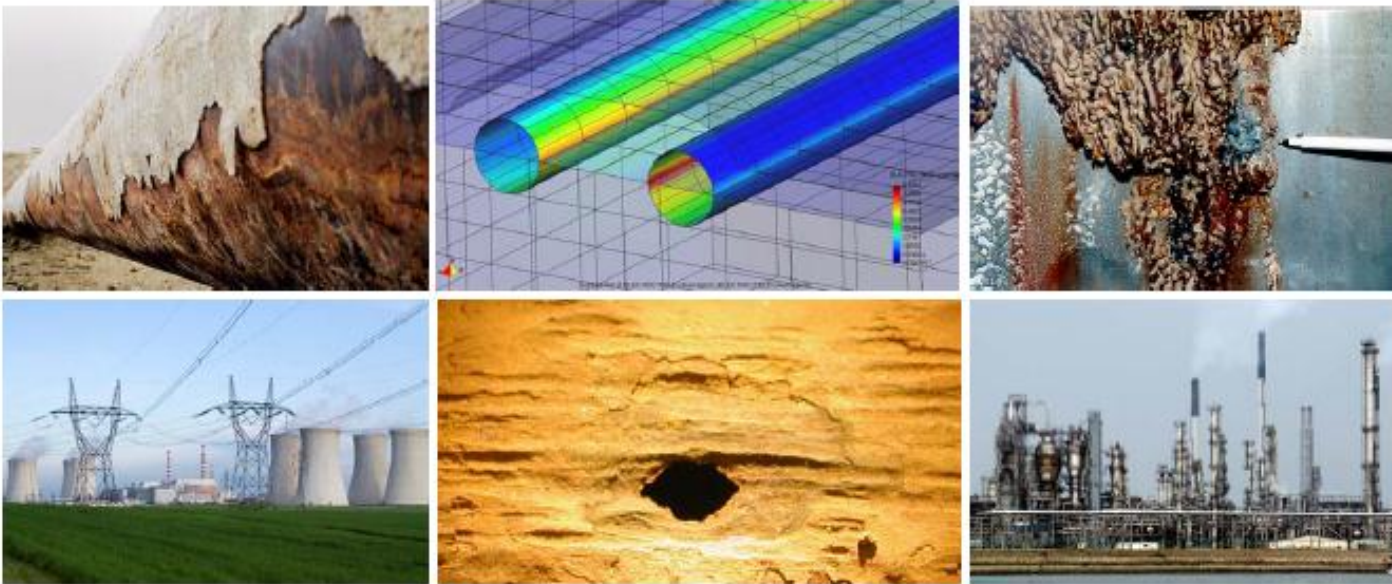
# Internal Corrosion Services

## ■ Internal Corrosion Threat Assessment

- Review of in-line inspection data
- Review of inhibitor use
- Internal corrosion decision tree
- CorrMD software

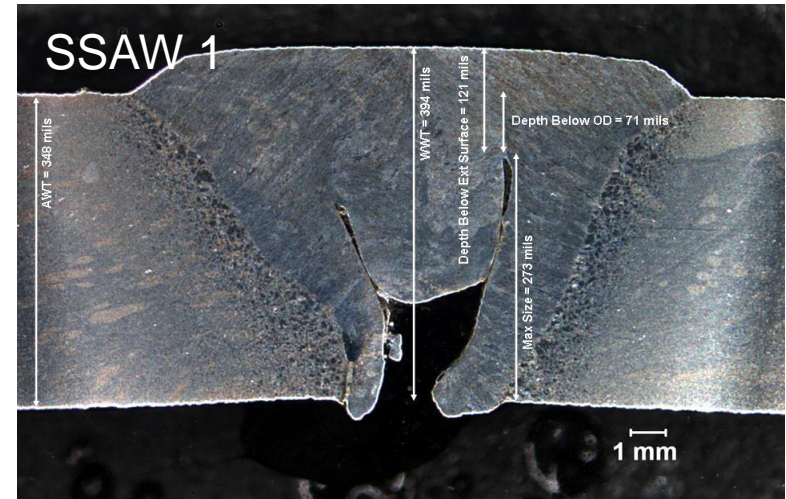
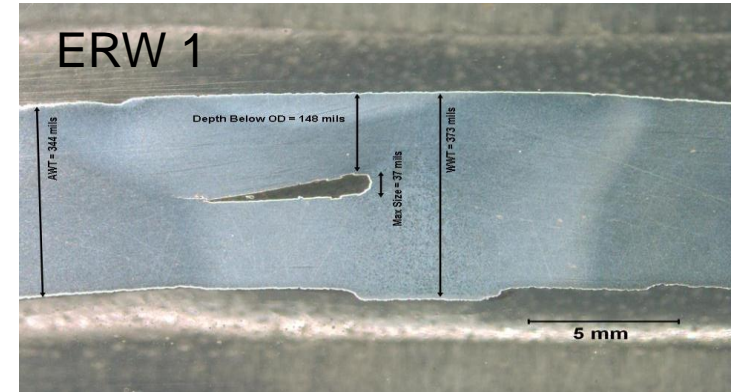
## ■ Internal Corrosion Direct Assessment

- Review of current operations
- Flow modelling
- On-site dig support
- Determine re-assessment intervals
- Identify areas for cost savings
- Corrosion monitoring / coupon analysis



# Welding Technology

- Design of welding procedures
- Review of welding procedures
- QA / Auditing of pipe mills
- Examination of failed welds
- Repair strategies



# Laboratory Services

- 3,000 m<sup>2</sup> facility
  - Failure analysis laboratory
    - Metallography
    - Stereo microscope
    - Scanning electron microscope
    - Energy dispersive X-ray spectroscopy for chemical analysis of alloys and corrosion products
  - Sour service laboratory; exposure, fracture and fatigue testing in hydrogen sulfide
    - Over 50 autoclaves for high pressure / temperature testing
  - Electrochemistry; potentiostatic, galvanostatic testing
  - Sacrificial anode testing
  - Flow loop - 4 inch diameter, up to 1 MPa and 130 °C, inclined



# Research – Stress Corrosion Cracking Near Pipeline Dent



- Simulated rock dent introduced to a length of pipeline
- Crack introduced in the shoulder of the dent, fatigue pre-cracked

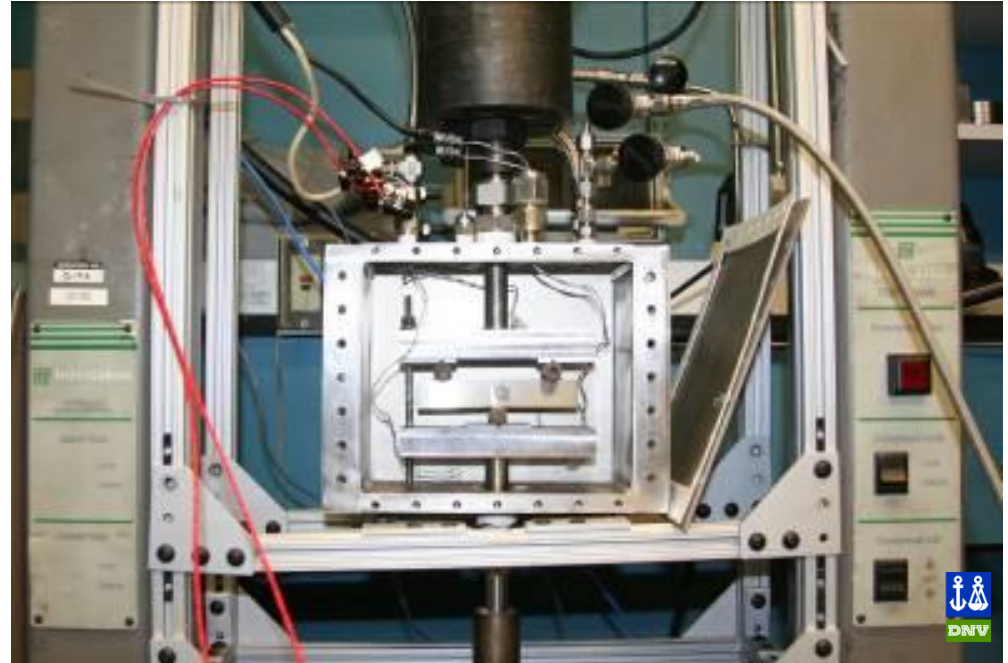
- Pipe ends are sealed and clip gages attached to defect
- Pipe hydrotested with cycling pressure to study crack near dent



# Research – Fatigue in Hydrogen Sulfide Service

## Critical Issues

- Reeling operations to install pipelines in hydrogen sulfide environments could pose potential design issues due to corrosion fatigue
- Determining the knockdown factors in design is critical to inspections and operation.



## Solution

- Develop corrosion fatigue measurement capability in hydrogen sulfide environments.
- Determine fatigue behaviour of reeled pipe in hydrogen sulfide environments.
- Determined that the knock down factor due to reeling was within the design parameters of the pipeline.

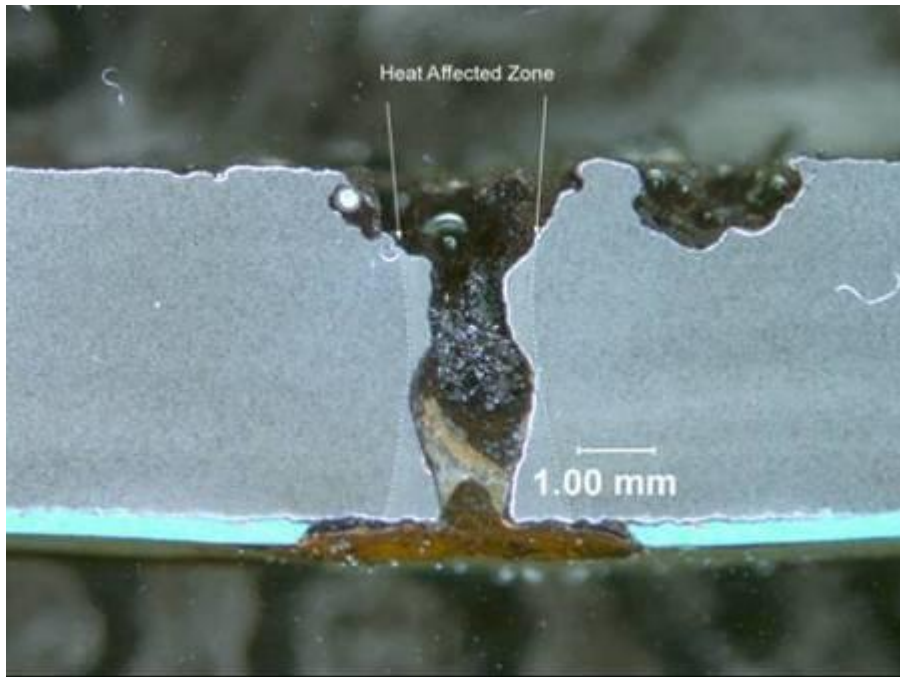
# Failure Analysis – majority pipeline / facilities related



- Incident response to assist with evidence preservation and site investigation
- Dimensional analysis
- Examination of fracture surfaces by stereo-microscope and scanning electron microscope
- Examination of microstructures by metallography
- Chemical analysis by optical emission spectroscopy and energy dispersive X-ray spectroscopy
- Mechanical testing – tensile testing, Charpy V-notch impact, and hardness
- Photo and video documentation

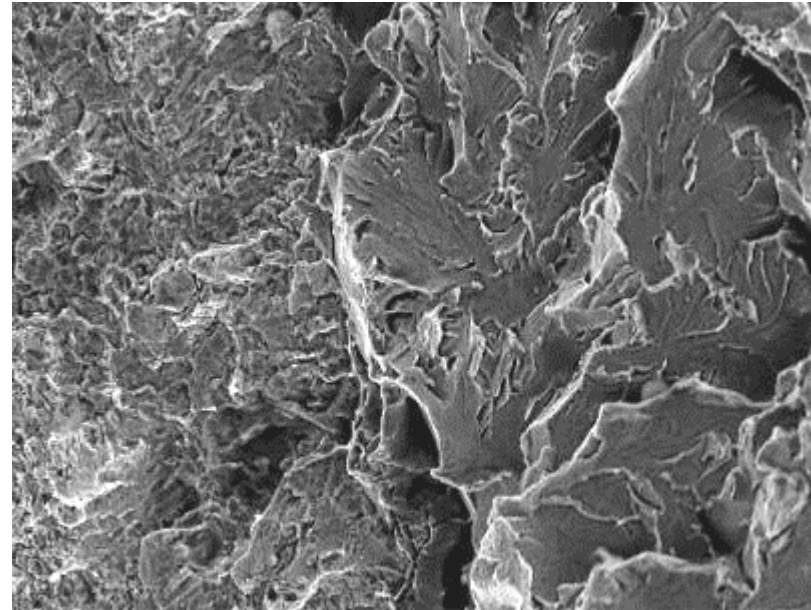
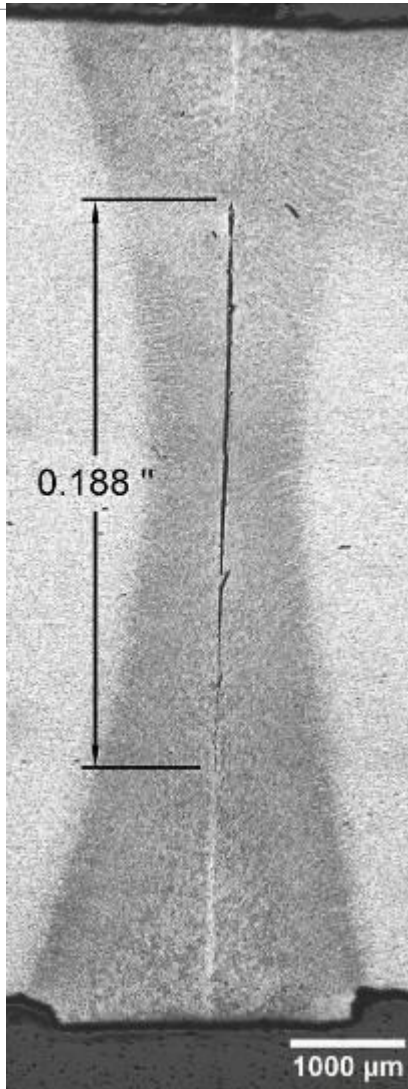
# Failure Analysis – Assist Pipeline Integrity

- Internal corrosion of pipeline used to gather water-saturated natural gas
- Pitting susceptibility exacerbated by high residual stress in non-PWHT seam weld



- Leak occurred in gasoline line operating at only 39% MOP
- External corrosion through-wall pitting due to CP shielding and MIC

# Failure Analysis – Welding Defect



10 μm  
800X C\_1

- Leak occurred in petroleum pipeline operating at 83% MOP
- Analysis revealed pre-existing manufacturing defect in ERW weld seam

# Litigation / Regulatory Support

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- Incident response
- Accident site investigation
- Evidence preservation
- Forensic engineering / science
- Expert witness
- 24/7 Emergency Hotline



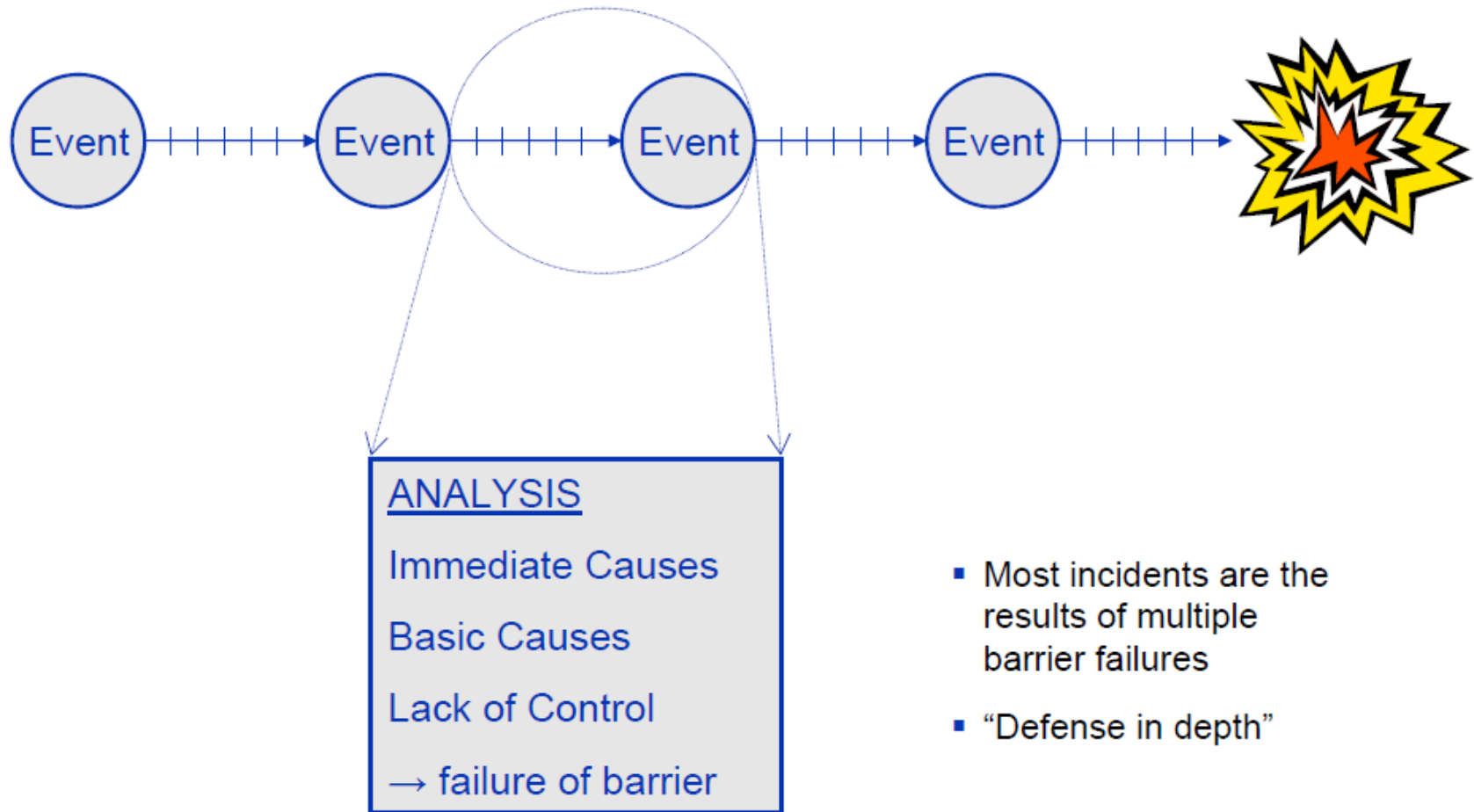
# Forensic Investigations – pipelines and facilities



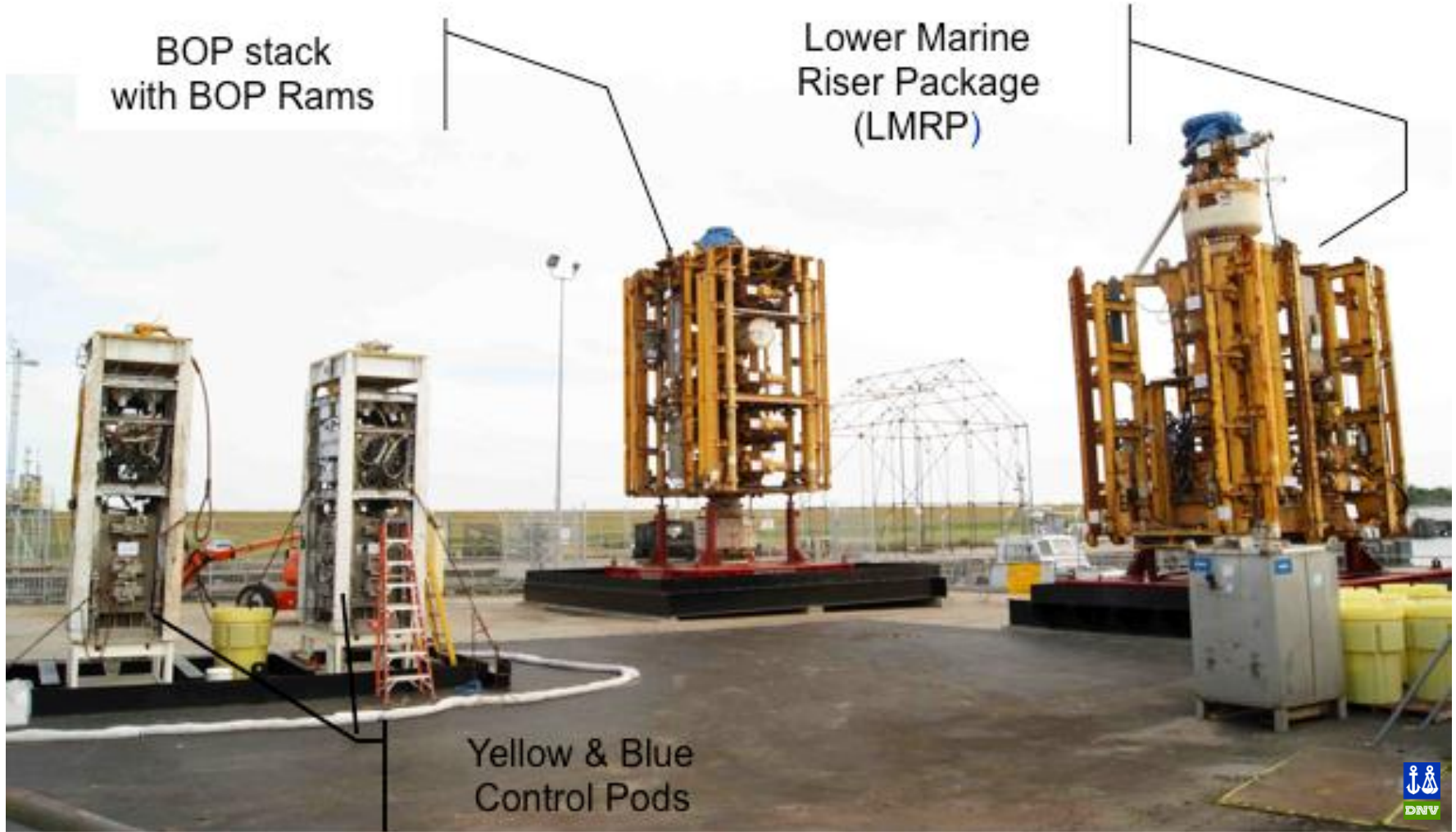
# Forensic Investigations – facilities (2)



# Root Cause Analysis – DNV SCAT



# Deepwater Horizon - Gulf Oil Spill –Blowout Preventer



# Shale Gas



# Summary of shale gas projects in ANEUS

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- Houston Solutions: asset integrity and process safety assessment systematically identifying potential, major accident hazards in a gas gathering system. The project is driven by internal client requirements and some OSHA regulation.
- Houston Solutions: SHE management system audit, some help with regulation and help with an accident investigation.
- Houston Solutions: Development of a risk screening tool for shale gas and coal bed methane wells related to the risks of an environmental hazard such as an accidental emission or spill
- Deepwater Technology: Assessment of potential damage to equipment following an explosion
- Columbus Asset Risk Management: Regular onshore pipelines project: Corrosion studies related to the relatively high amount of oxygen in unconventional gas pipelines
- Columbus Technology Center: Failure investigation related to fatigue of equipment for hydraulic fracturing.

# Safeguarding life, property and the environment

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