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Let me check. My gut reaction says no to your question. There are over 1000 miles of unpiggable lines and buried welds that aren't on the schematic diagrams. God knows what is underground. That said, they are working feverishly to come up with answers.

At today's leadership meeting, I heard that the NTSB preliminary report may come out as early as tomorrow morning.

From: Clanon, Paul [mailto:paul.clanon@cpuc.ca.gov]
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Brian, this is a follow-up to the discussion I had with Ed Salas and Kirk Johnson last week. Frank and I are asking ourselves this question:

"If there's another explosion in a gas transmission line tomorrow, what will we wish we'd done today?"

and one thing that keeps coming back on me is that I'm not sure how confident I am that PG&E knows enough detail about every pipe segment to be able to respond to an NTSB finding that a particular weld needs down-rating, or a particular design of old join, or a particular manufacturer's method of the 1940s or 50s, stuff like that. Should I be confident? Do your people actually have the data? Or should PG&E be doing an all-hands effort to make absolutely sure it knows what's down there for every pipe segment?