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**November 7th, 2017 Meeting Minutes**

Location: HDR Inc. – 9987 Carver Drive, Blue Ash, OH 45242

**Introduction**

Meeting began at 1 pm; Dave Berens opened meeting with introductions, a quorum was established

**Minutes**

No meeting minutes for the October OKI Luncheon meeting.

**Education Topic**

Marking Standards – Reviewed the proposals from the Sept. 13<sup>th</sup> meeting and had no comments on the proposals.

There was discussion involving clarifying what should be required for white lining. Calling in a front yard of a ¼ acre lot is much different than calling in the front yard of a 15 acre lot.

There are also disadvantages contractors see in white lining. If you show the proposed work area, it is cleared by one utility but shows a conflict with another, you now need to make a 2<sup>nd</sup> call to see where the first utility may be in conflict.

At the end of the day, common sense needs to be the used to make it easier and safer for all involved.

**New Business**

**Committee Updates:**

- The OKI Golf Outing is scheduled for Indiana in 2018. Walt will look into Grand Oak Golf Club for the first or second Friday in July.

### **Upcoming or Ongoing Projects**

- Messer starting a huge expansion project at Children's Hospital. Erkenbrecher between Burnet & Wilson will be relocated to accommodate the expansion. 4 – 5 year project.
- Messer is also working on the UC Health Science Building.
- Walt asked that we follow up on previous discussion on abandoning facilities prior to demo.

### **Local OCA Update**

- Last meeting featured a video on Trench Safety.

### **Last Month Damages**

- Duke Gas had 73 gas hits in Oct. which is down from last Oct. but still too many.
- Advanced Underground had a scary near miss that they were told had they hit the line it would have killed the entire crew.  
High pressure transmission line was shallow and not marked. Locator had an untoneable line and didn't notify the utility until after the excavator dug.  
With more and more untoneable lines, everyone needs to know and follow the process for getting them marked and working around them. Over time tracer wires are getting damaged, cut or not functioning. Not always the locator or utilities fault.  
Duke has 3% +/- untoneable gas lines.

### **KY & IN 811 Updates**

- KY 811/IN811 –Midwest Safety Summit was held in French Lick with over 500 attendees. Todd Beer, Air Force One pilot flying on 9/11 was the keynote speaker.

### **OUPS Update**

- Excavator Seminars are being held throughout November.

### **Open Discussion**

- ACI Safety Day is Feb. 6<sup>th</sup> and SWOUSC will be a sponsor.
- Dave will ask the Supervisor of Cincinnati Building Inspections to attend and discuss the city's process for building demos.

### **Next Meeting**

Dec. 5th 2017 – HDR Inc. – 9987 Carver Drive, Blue Ash, OH 45242

Meeting was adjourned.