



8. APPENDIX 1 GLOSSARY OF TERMS

The below terms and definitions are used during the analysis of inspection data and in the methodology for pipeline wall damage severity determination based on magnetic, ultrasonic and geometry inspection tool data.

General terms

ILI tool An in-line inspection tool is a device that is propelled

through a pipeline by pumping medium. The tool is equipped with recording instrumentation to allow it to create data logs, which can be used to locate and classify

features.

Pipeline feature Any indication recorded during the course of the in-line

inspection (features, construction elements etc.) based on

NDT techniques.

Verification digs Excavations performed to verify the location and severity of

pipeline features.

Anomalies

Dent Local reduction of the pipeline internal diameter due to

mechanical impact by a solid object on the pipeline surface.

Girth weld anomaly A change of the physical characteristics of the metal,

recorded by an MFL tool in or around a girth weld. These may include such features as porosity, slag inclusion, shrinkage cavity, undercut, protrusion and misalignment of

edges.

Girth weld anomaly

(flat-type discontinuity) A flat-type anomaly such as a crack, a lack of penetration,

faulty fusion, apparent metal rupture or fatigue along a girth weld. Includes features with both mechanical and corrosion-

based origins.

Inclusion A pipe wall anomaly characterized by a metal continuity

abnormality in the form of extraneous mid-wall material.

Intermittent lamination Several individual laminations in a pipe body alternated

with solid wall areas.



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Lamination

A discontinuity of the pipe wall metal.

Lamination connecting to surface

A sloping lamination that connects to a pipe surface.

Lamination in a weld area

A lamination adjacent to a weld. There is extra danger of a potential crack in a weld caused by the effect of the lamination when making the weld.

Metal loss

An anomaly associated with a reduction of the pipe wall thickness, whether caused by corrosion or mechanical means.

Mill fault

A metal loss anomaly that appears to be due to a manufacturing anomaly rather than corrosion (e.g. repeating features of a similar shape and size).

Misalignment

An anomaly originated from the assembly operations, when the centrelines of two connecting pipes (for girth welds) or two connecting sheets (for longitudinal or spiral welds) do not coincide.

Notch (scratch)

Pipe wall metal loss due to mechanical damage.

Pipe material anomaly

A feature exhibiting local changes in the magnetic properties of the material (e.g. caused by mid-wall features or non-magnetic inclusions). Due to the attributes of these features they cannot be interpreted as metal loss with certainty.

Restriction

Reduction of the internal diameter caused by:

- mechanical impact by a solid object on the pipeline surface (a dent).
- buckling strain of a pipe (a wrinkle)
- parts of construction elements.
- ovality of a pipe.

Ripple

Local reduction of the pipeline internal diameter due to a circumferential wrinkle on a pipe caused by buckling strain.





Seam weld anomaly A feature associated with local changes in the magnetic

properties of a seam weld (e.g. caused by presence of slag and other non-magnetic inclusions, a lack of penetration

etc.).

Wall thickness change A deliberate change in the internal diameter formed during

pipe manufacturing or by metal sheet rolling.

Construction elements

Attachment An element welded to the external pipeline surface.

Bend A manufactured (hot) bend in the pipeline.

Casing An external protective pipeline shell installed on isolation

seals.

Eccentric casing A part of the casing that does not sit concentric to the

pipeline due to deformation or misalignment.

Field bend A pipeline bend that is formed in the field.

Field-made T-piece A pipeline construction element (pipe fitting) manufactured

in the field.

Full circle fitting

An external construction element with a relatively short

length installed around the pipe.

Mitre bend A bend of the pipeline manufactured from one or more

obliquely welded bends.

Oblique weld seam An angled weld seam that can be used on adjacent spool

pieces to form a shallow bend.

Pipe installation A construction element welded to the pipe with a through

hole in the pipe wall (branch pipe, weldolet, offtake etc.).

Support A pipeline metallic element used as a base for pipe

mounting.





Swamp weight An external metallic pipeline component (weighting

material) installed in the upper part of a pipe to prevent the

pipeline from floating in bodies of water.

T-piece A pipeline construction element (pipe fitting) used for

separating the pumping product, with a diameter more than

half of the pipeline diameter.

Valve A pipeline construction element that can be operated to

block or permit the flow of pipeline product.

Weldolet offtake A fitting specified by the customer in the list of weldolets

and valves as a weldolet off-take.

Repair structures

Patch A piece of additional material that has been attached to the

pipe in order to cover or reinforce an anomaly.

Repair sleeve A shell that fits snugly around the pipeline circumference in

order to cover or reinforce an anomaly.

Other features

Backing ring A pipeline component in the form of a thin and narrow

metal strip around the pipe, located under a girth weld on

the internal surface of the pipeline.

Deposit A deposit of wax or product debris on the inside of the

pipeline. Deposits can potentially impede pipeline

inspection.

Extraneous body An object inside the pipeline.

Metal object A metallic object, located against or near the external

surface of the pipeline.

Overlap Welding material lapping over a weld.





Feature specifications

Absolute distance A distance from the pipeline start point (normally KP 0.0)

up to the nearest edge of a feature / anomaly.

Feature depth The maximum depth measured at a feature / anomaly.

Feature length The measured size of a feature / anomaly in relation to the

longitudinal axis of the pipe.

Feature type Defines a feature as internal or external.

Feature width The measured size of a feature / anomaly in relation to the

circumference of the pipe.

Orientation The location of the centre of a feature / anomaly in terms of

its o'clock position. Orientation is determined clockwise

and viewed in the direction of flow.

Pipe spool number The number of the girth weld at the start of a pipe spool.

Relative distance The distance from the feature / anomaly's start point to the

nearest upstream girth weld.

Strength calculations and pre-repair classification of features

Allowable operating pressure A calculable pressure that defines the maximum pressure

allowable for a pipeline section containing features in order for it to provide standard reliability for the pipeline operation. It is determined with strength calculations taking

into account the section category and safety factor.

Design pressureThe maximum operating pressure for which the pipeline is

designed.

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Severe anomaly

An anomaly defined as severe on the basis of strength calculations. At such an anomaly the pipe strength will be lower than normal to the extent that the allowable operating pressure is less than pipeline design pressure. It is possible that hydraulic testing of the line at its designed test pressure could cause it to fail.

Other terms

adj. gw / agw Feature adjacent to a girth weld.

adj. lw / alw Feature adjacent to a longitudinal weld.

adj. sw / asw Feature adjacent to a spiral weld.

Echo loss It is impossible to determine a wall thickness for the given

section. When a metal loss feature coincides with echo loss its actual depth may be higher than the value that is

measured.

Inspection sheet A document that gives a detailed description of a feature,

along with its position in relation to above-ground

references.

Inspection sheet feature A feature reported in an inspection sheet.

Inspection sheet numberThe numbers on inspection sheets will match the numbers

of the appropriate features as reported in the pipeline

features list.

Possible / poss. ... Used in case when it is not possible to classify an anomaly

due to data loss (e.g. because it has a complex shape or due

to insufficient pipe cleaning).

Section with ... An area containing a substantial number of the stated

feature.

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