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COGCC review of the Notice to Operators Flowline inventory data.

The Commission staff reviewed and identified 120,815 flowline segments within 1,000 feet of a Building Unit during the inventory phase of the NTO. Operators submitted documentation showing that 107,297 of those lines passed an integrity (pressure) test or were abandoned. Operators reported that 428 lines did not pass an integrity test. COGCC is tracking the follow-up work on those lines. Finally, COGCC is working with operators to determine the status of the remaining 13,090 flowline segments. While it is possible these lines were not tested, it is also possible the data submitted was simply incomplete or in error, or that the flowline segment was previously capped, shut-in, abandoned, or was not within the scope of the NTO.

The Flowline Notice to Operators (Notice) required operators to submit data in 2 phases. Phase 1 was an inventory without pressure test data. Phase 2 was the inventory with pressure test results. The two-phase submittal requirement and the required weekly updates resulted in many duplicate reports being contained in the raw unfiltered data presented on the Commission website.

Colorado Oil and Gas Commission staff continue to review and verify the data submitted under the Notice to Operators, and the field inspectors continue to inspect locations in Colorado to verify compliance with our rules. Our website http://cogcc.state.co.us/library.html#/special_projects/flowlines has a Presentation - Flowline Notice to Operators Update - August 14, 2017, which show our review and characterizes the forward plan.

