



# Public Meeting on OQ December 17, 2004

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**OFFICE OF PIPELINE SAFETY**



# Questions to Stimulate Discussion of Impact Measures

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- What changes are we trying to promote through the development and issuance of B31Q?



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- *Assure individuals working on tasks affecting pipeline safety or integrity (including construction-related tasks) are qualified.*



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- *Reduce the number of incidents and accidents for which personnel error is a contributing factor.*



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- *Reduce the administrative burden on operators to assure contractor personnel are qualified to perform covered tasks.*



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- *Reduce the administrative burden on contractors of qualifying their personnel to perform like tasks for multiple operators.*



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- Increase the *assurance that very small operators* (e.g., master meters, propane operators) comprehend and comply with personnel qualification requirements.



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- ✦ Assure that *training* is adequate to support continuing assurance that personnel have requisite skills and abilities to perform covered tasks.





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- Assure that *reevaluation methods and intervals* are adequate to support continuing assurance that personnel have requisite skills and abilities to perform covered tasks.



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- How will we be able to recognize if these changes have occurred?