



Opvantek, Inc. Completes Distribution Integrity Management Roadmap for Washington Gas Light Company

Newtown, PA – May 13, 2009 – Opvantek, Inc. is pleased to announce the completion of a Distribution Integrity Management Roadmap for Washington Gas Light Company (WGL), a subsidiary of WGL Holdings, Inc. The DIM Roadmap is a precursor to complying with the new DIMP regulations that are due to be released later this year. The roadmap will allow WGL to identify and prioritize gaps in their Distribution Integrity Management capability, and recommend a phased approach to address the highest priorities ahead of the impending regulations. The roadmap sets forth objectives, goals, and tasks to position the company to not only comply with the upcoming regulations but also to achieve additional strategic asset management objectives. Risk based asset management can help utilities more effectively prioritize how they spend time, money, and materials to address the critical infrastructure problems, invest in continuous improvement, and help meet corporate business objectives. According to Mel Huey, Director, Pipeline Integrity Management for Washington Gas, “the roadmap is a great looking product, and we are very excited about the jump start we will have in preparing for our written Distribution Integrity Management Plan.”

Washington Gas has been using Opvantek’s Optimain DS decision support software since 2000 to analyze risk and identify economic replacement opportunities for various pipe types and integrity threats. The recently completed roadmap is expected to evolve into the company’s formal Distribution Integrity Management Plan.

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Opvantek, Inc. – a leader in utility software solutions – has long maintained that the key to operating a successful utility company in the face of an ever-evolving regulatory environment is in system-wide risk assessment & optimized asset management. Opvantek delivers best-in-class software solutions that significantly enhance integrity, reliability, safety, and regulatory compliance management. The company was originally founded in 1997 as Vantage Management Solutions, Inc. Since then, Opvantek, Inc. has evolved into a talented team of utility industry and software development professionals, providing exceptional asset management software products, implementation and integration services, and focused business process consulting to the utility industry.

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Headquartered in Washington, DC, Washington Gas Light Company (Washington Gas Company) delivers natural gas to more than one million residential, commercial, and industrial customers throughout Washington, DC and the surrounding region. Washington Gas is a regulated subsidiary of WGL Holdings, Inc., a public utility holding company. The unregulated affiliates of WGL Holdings are in energy-related businesses, selling natural gas and electricity in competitive markets, and providing heating, ventilating, and air conditioning products and services.