

DISTRIBUTION AREA: REGIONAL UNIT OF THESSALONIKI

## 2nd PREPAREDNESS DRILL 6 July 2017

# "PIPELINE RUPTURE DUE TO DAMAGE FROM THIRD-PARTY WORKS"



EXTENSION OF GEORGIKIS SCHOLIS AVENUE (THERMI MUNICIPALITY)

THESSALONIKI





- ➤ The 2<sup>nd</sup> Preparedness Drill for the year **2017** of **EDA THESSALONIKI-THESSALIA** was successfully conducted on **Thursday 6 July 2017** in **Thessaloniki.** The success was achieved through the contribution of all services involved and of **EDA THESS** staff, along with the Authorities and the competent contractor company.
  - > The purpose of the drill conducted by **EDA THESS** in **Thessaloniki** was to:
  - test and check the completeness of emergency plans
  - ensure the required cooperation between the competent structures
  - improve coordination, communication and management of information
  - effectively deal with the incident
- The drill scenario was developed by the Grid Management and Emergency Intervention Unit and involved a "Gas leak" due to a rupture on a low-pressure pipeline, caused by third-party works on the sewerage network, in the eastern side of the city on a by-lane of Georgikis Scholis Avenue.





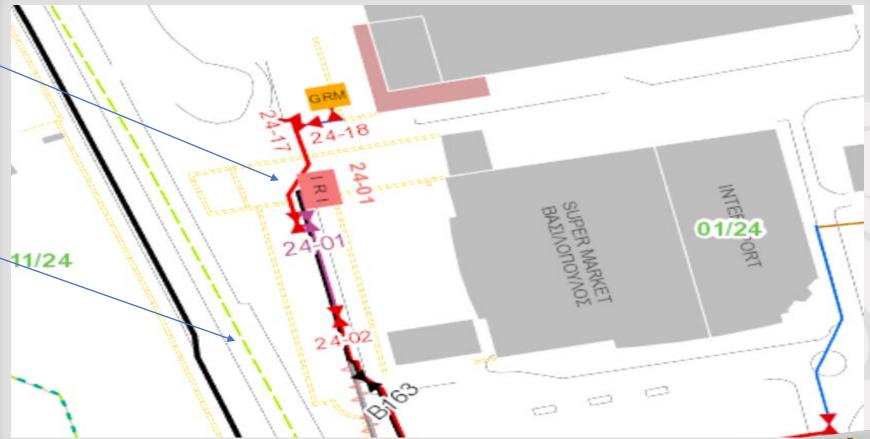


### Thessaloniki - Drill venue

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DAMAGE FROM THIRD-PARTY WORKS

GEOGRIKIS SCHOLIS AVENUE









#### **Drill venue**

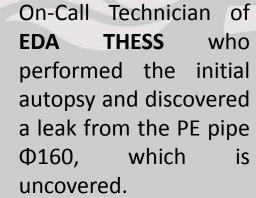
> The drill was launched at 6:49 a.m. when a security officer of a super market company called the Emergency Intervention Call Center of **EDA THESS** to report a strong smell of gas in the surrounding outdoor area.

PE PIPE **Φ160**mm

> The Call Center is informed of the technician's arrival at the incident / venue.



> Arrival of the East Area THESS EDA who performed the initial autopsy and discovered a leak from the PE pipe which Ф160,







The Fire Department and the Hellenic Police immediately arrive at the incident venue.



➤ EDA THESS technician secured the area of the damage and informed the Operational On-Call Technician of his actions. To eliminate the leak, he must shut off the valve 24-16 which interrupts the supply of gas to retail stores, until restoration works are completed.





**VALVE 24-16** 











The Operational On-Call Technician, having notified the On-Call Officer of the incident and obtained approval, instructs the technician to shut off the valve 24-16 for the safe interruption of gas supply in part of the pipeline, in order to restore the damage.



➤ The Operational On-Call Technician arrives at the incident venue and notifies the contractor company to immediately intervene with the appropriate staff and equipment, to restore the damage.





➤ The On-Call Technician arrives at the incident venue and is informed of the on-site situation by the Operational On-Call Technician and the On-Call Officer.

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SAFE GAS SUPPLY INTERRUPTION -VALVE 24-16







EMERGENCY
EQUIPMENT –
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The Emergency Intervention team of the contractor company arrives with all staff and equipment:

- > JCB excavator with jackhammer
- ➤ Welding vehicles for PE pipes, Risers and Steel pipes
- > Crane truck
- Technicians, drivers, operators, welders and workers with the head of the contractor company















#### Intervention by the contractor company

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The Drill was conducted in compliance with all relevant procedures and instructions, while all necessary preventive actions were taken and inspections were made to the gas distribution system.





The drill was completed at **08:30** p.m., successfully dealing with the simulated incident.

