

**Enbridge Liquid Pipelines
*Valve Considerations for Hazardous
Liquid Pipelines – Operator Perspective***

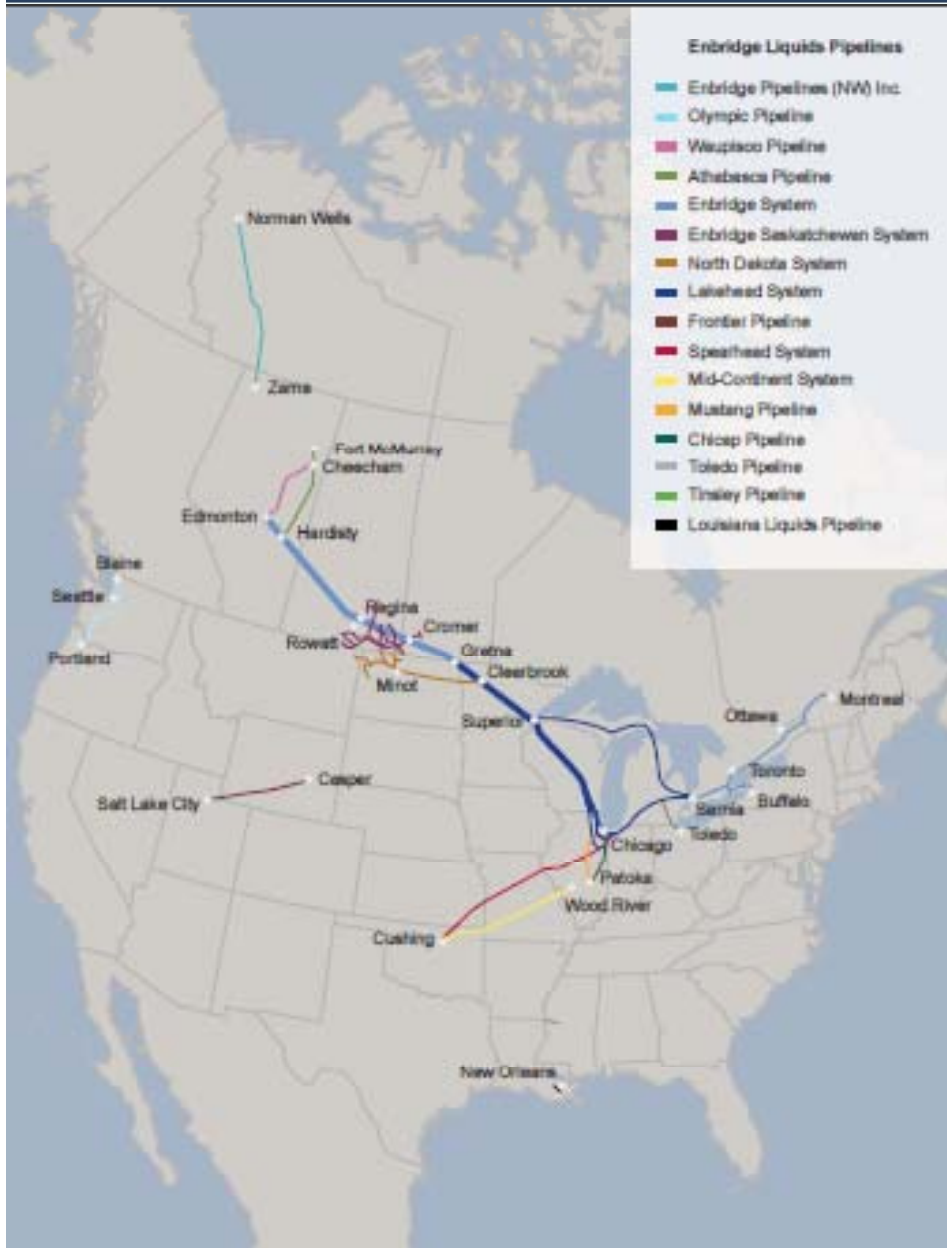
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Operational Risk Management



Enbridge Liquid Pipelines



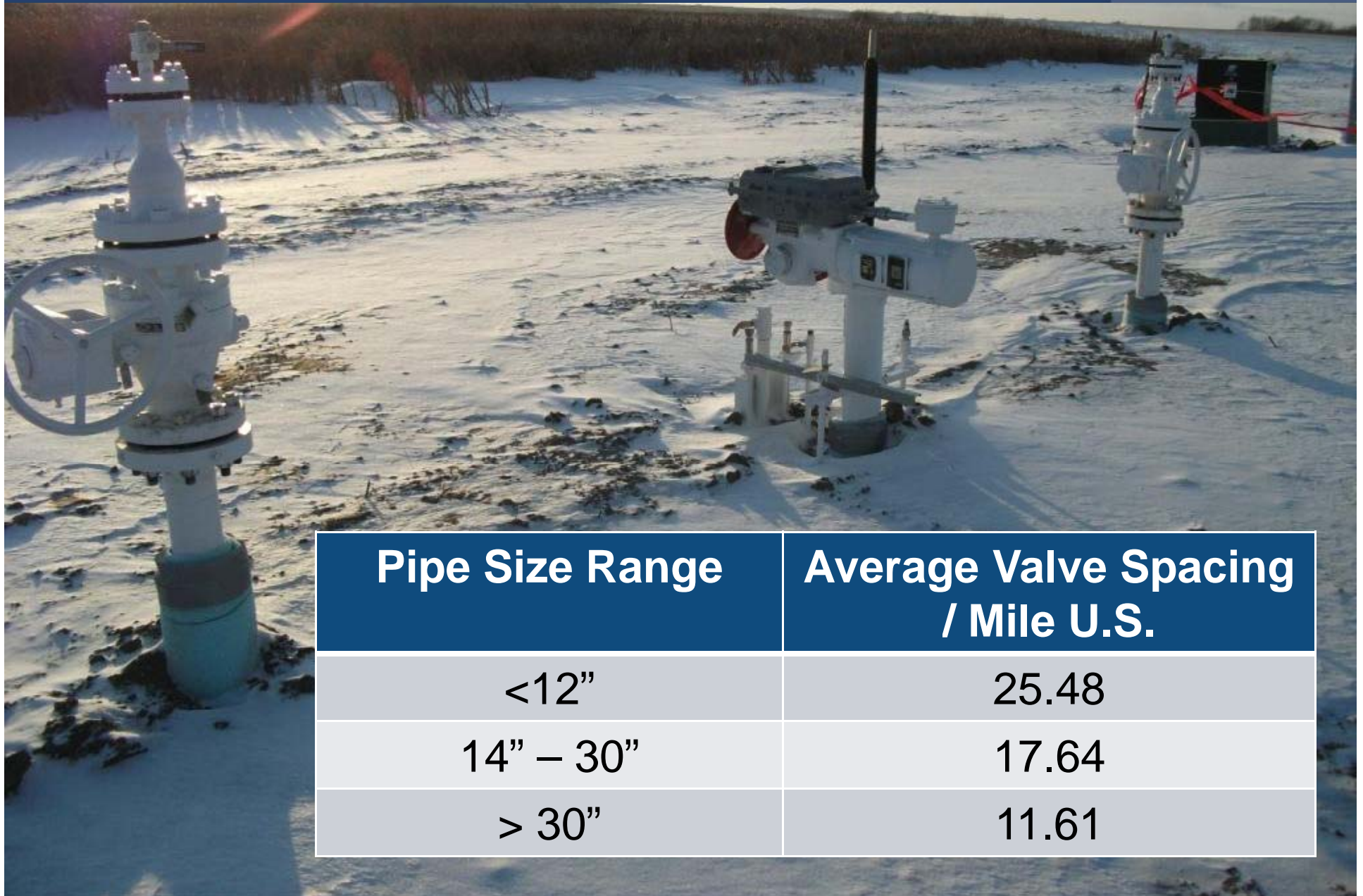
Total System

- +15000 Miles of Pipe
 - *(Excluding gathering system)
- 1746 Mainline Valves
 - 974 Remote Controlled
 - 772 Hand Operated
 - 110 Check Valves

U.S. Only

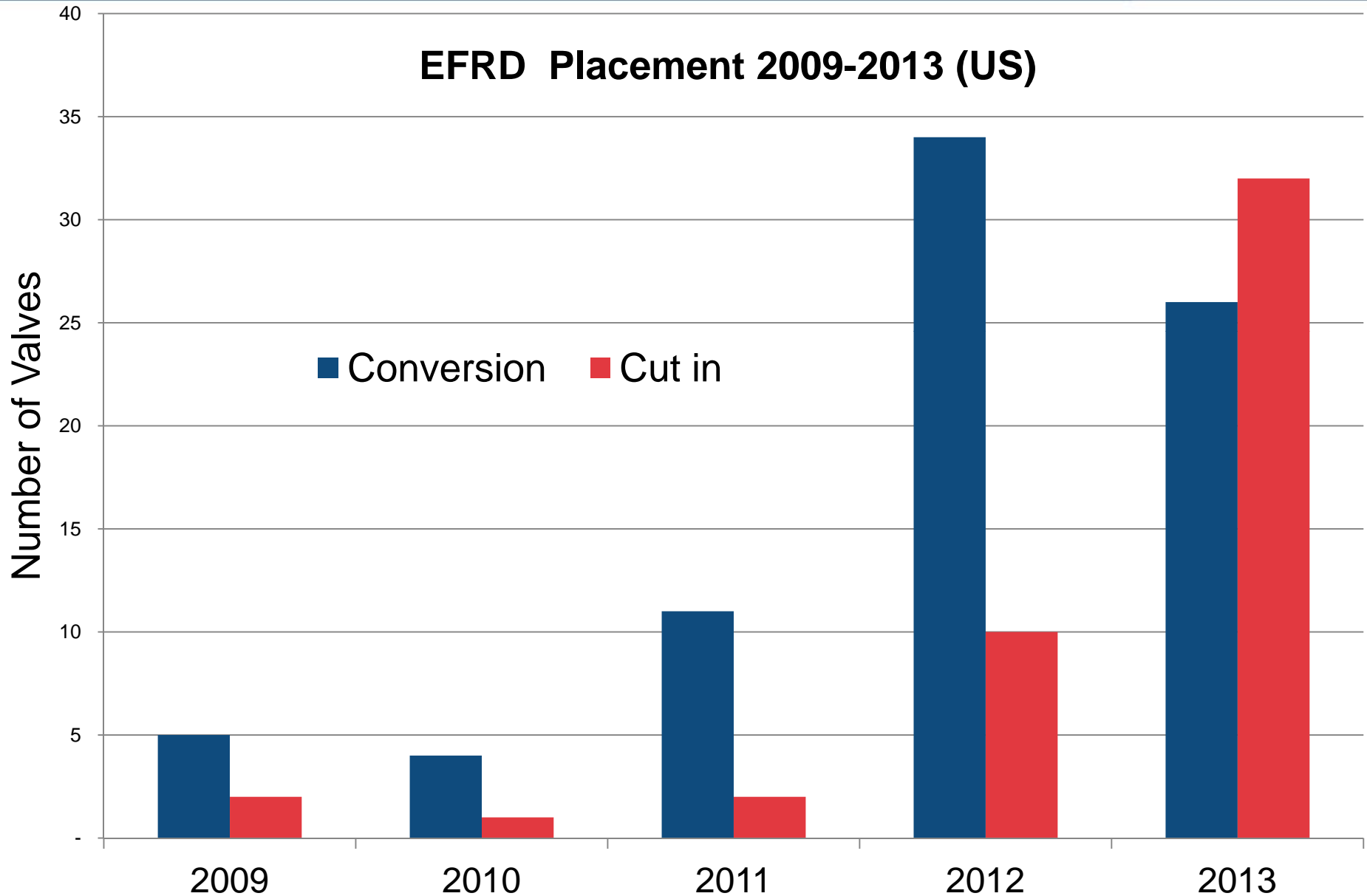
- 6658 Miles of Pipe (48.6%)
- 51.7% of Valves
 - 528 RCV
 - 374 HOV (MCV)
 - 42 Check Valves

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Pipe Size Range	Average Valve Spacing / Mile U.S.
<12"	25.48
14" – 30"	17.64
> 30"	11.61

Enbridge – IMP and EFRD



Conversion Candidate



Manual Control
Valve

Intelligent Valve Placement



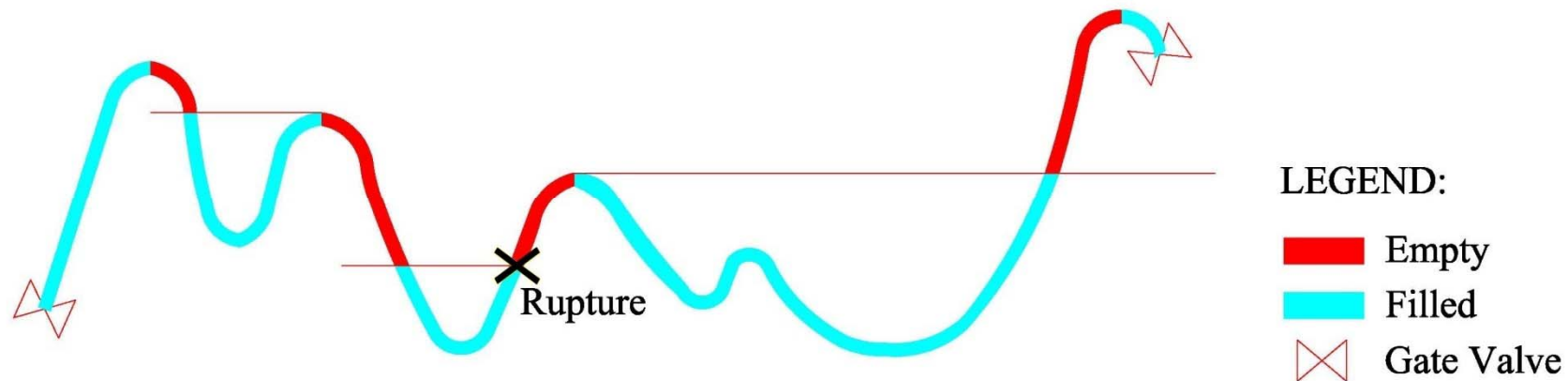
- Enbridge valve placement program looks solely at installation of remote controlled sectionalizing (or gate) valves
- Enbridge Engineering Design Standard requires 3 minutes closure time for remotely activated valves
- Automatic Control Valves (ACV) – Not considered
- Check valves issues
 - Not easy to test; Not able to visually confirm
 - May damage in-line inspection tools
 - May not hold their seal

Volume Out Calculation

$$\text{Total Volume Out} = \text{Initial Volume Out} + \text{Stabilization Loss}$$

Design Flow Rate
x 13 Minutes

All product at a higher elevation not
isolated by elevation or remote
control valves. Flat pipe excluded.

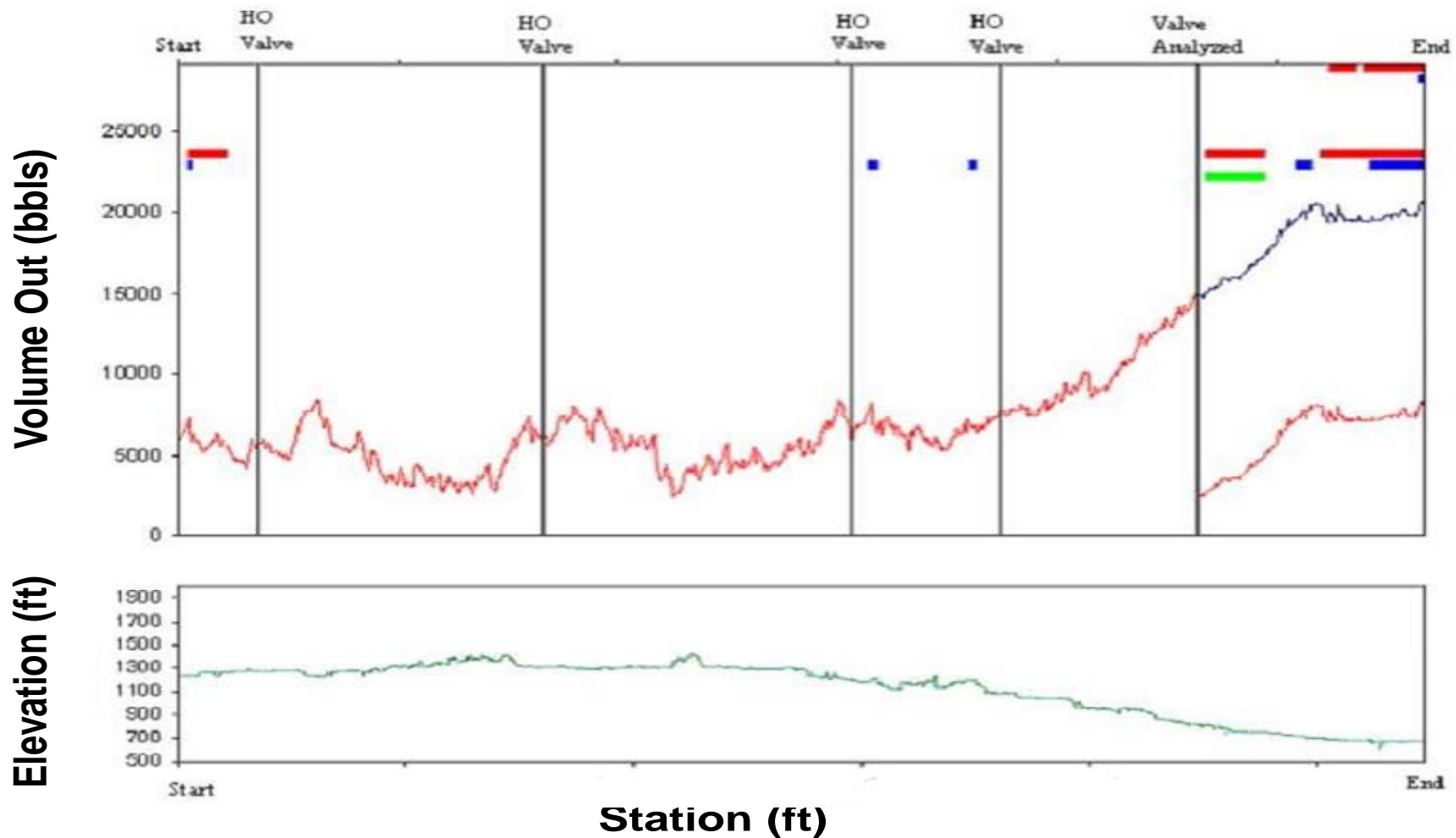


Note: Valve Placement does not Mitigate Initial Volume Out

Prior to 2006



- Valve placement based on ability to reduce volume out to identified sensitive areas



From 2006-2007



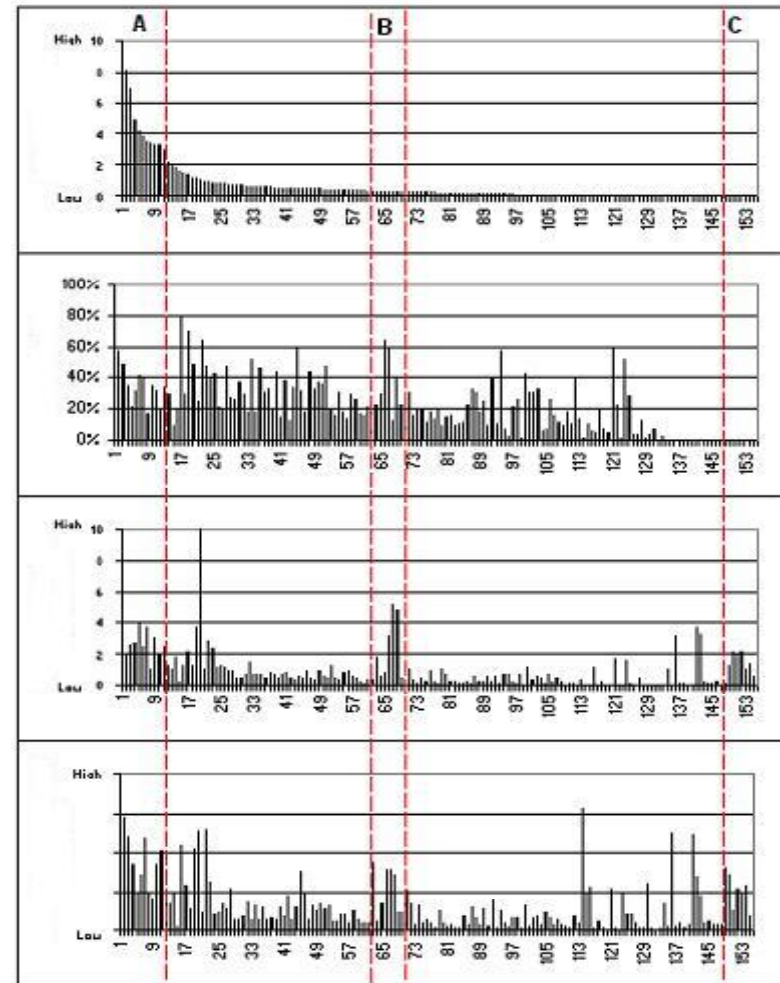
- Valve placement based on a combination of the following four factors:

Effectiveness

Efficiency

Total Volume Out Reduction

Average Volume Out Reduction



Valves Ranked by Effectiveness

Factors 1, 2 (2006-2007)



$$\text{Effectiveness} = \sum \left[\left(\frac{\text{Average Volume}}{\text{Reduction for an HCA}} \right) \times \left(\frac{\text{HCA}}{\text{Length}} \right) \times \left(\frac{\text{HCA Type}}{\text{Score}} \right) \right]$$

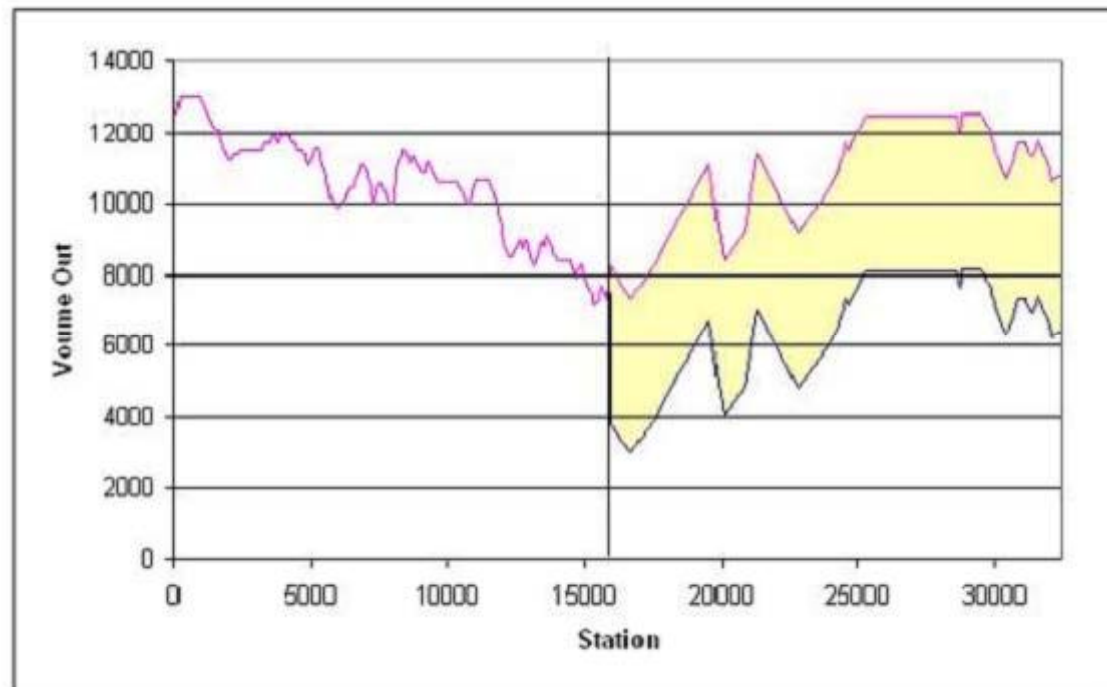
$$\text{Efficiency} = \sum \left[\frac{(\% \text{ Reduction for a given HCA}) \times (\text{HCA Length})}{(\text{Total HCA Length by Valve})} \right]$$

HCA = High Consequence Areas or Other Areas of Concern

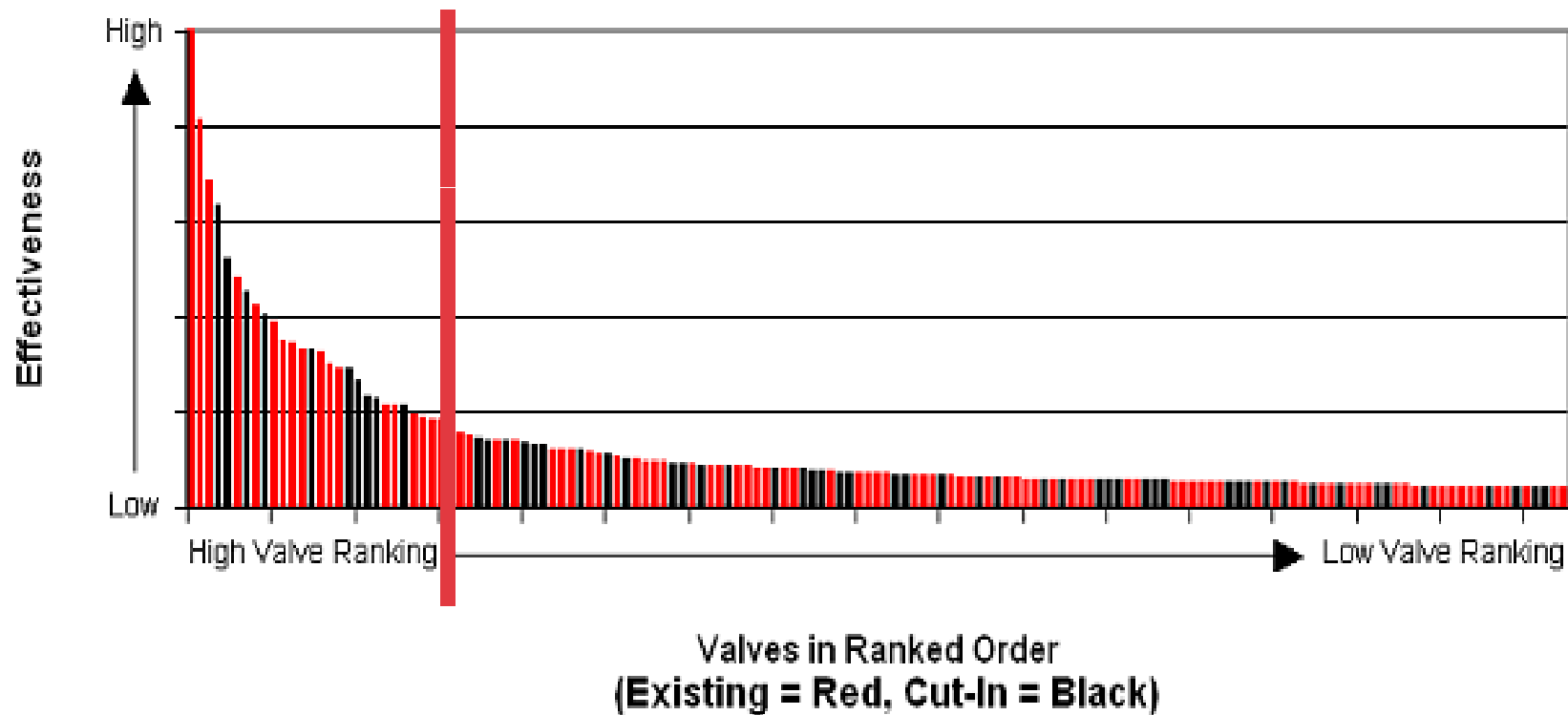
Factors 3, 4 (2006-2007)



- **Total Volume Out**
 - The area between the two volume out profiles
- **Average Volume Out**
 - The average of potential volume reduction



- Valve Placement based on solely on Effectiveness

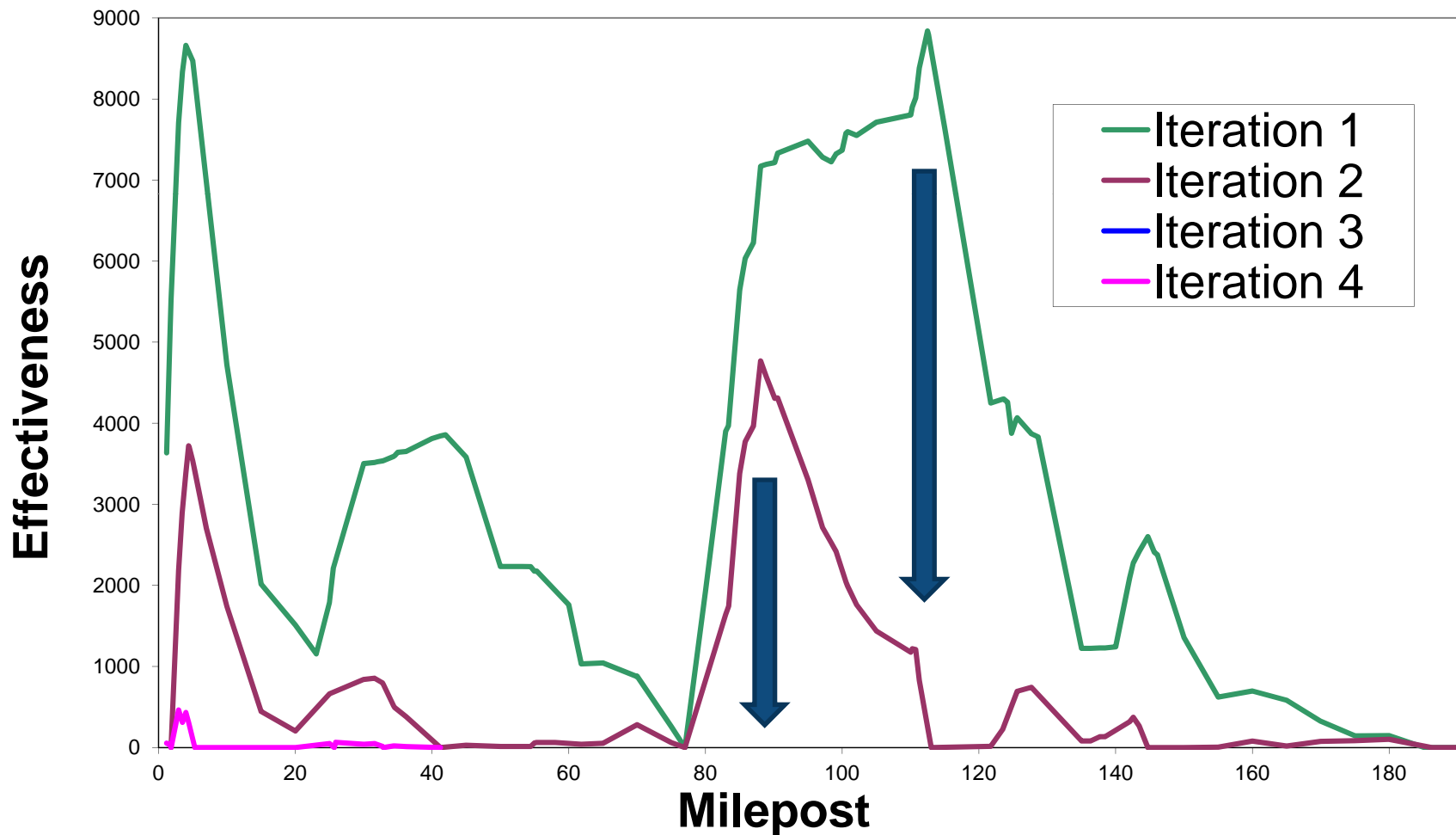


Valve Placement 2008-10



- Valve Placement based solely on Effectiveness Curve

Effectiveness vs Length



- Valve Placement based on:
 - Company identified worst case scenarios
 - Top Risk Areas
 - Major Water Crossings
 - IVP Analyses Results

Valve Placement 2012+



Fixed Valve Spacing for HVP Pipelines

Step 1



Fixed Volume Out Threshold for Water Crossings

Step 2



Valve Placement to Protect Major Water Crossings (not previously addressed)

Step 3



Valve Effectiveness to Identify High Densities of HCAs for Valve Placement Consideration

Step 4



Valve Efficiency to Identify Few or Individual HCAs for Valve Placement Consideration

Step 5



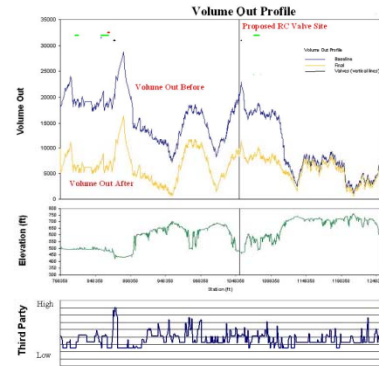
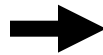
Special Case Valve Placement

Step 6

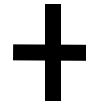
Procedure



Identify Requirements



Intelligent Valve Placement Analysis



Field Verification



Project Execution



Major Water Crossings

The optimal locations are then evaluated for:

- Constructability
- Power Availability
- Terrain
- Availability of Land
- Location of existing valves





- Existing system
 - Cut in \$1.5 M
 - Conversion \$0.5 M
- New Pipeline

Diameter (in)	Price \$
12	250K
20	315K
34	420K
48	520K

- Check Valves
 - Unknown damage by a pig
 - Sediment wear on the seats and guides
- RCV (usually below grade with top side actuator)
 - Debris in the seat
 - Actuator failure
 - Power or communication loss
- MCV (Manual)
 - Less failure modes but require person present
 - Cold weather operations

Field Installation



Valve Actuate Times



- Check Valve
 - Close in seconds
- RCV
 - Typically 3 minutes
 - Fast Closure systems available
- MCV
 - 30 minutes to several hours to a day or more

- Valve closure based on human trigger
 - Operator has to recognize some event (alarm)
 - Then trigger the valve close
- Control Center Operations gets lots of practice thru regular valve function tests
- Manual Valves are regularly functioned by operations so procedures are well understood
- Largest issue is communication.
 - Locating the correct valve
 - Accessing the site to close the valve
 - Addressed thru practice and field exercises

Conclusions



*Placement of remote control valves
can reduce the impact of an unplanned
release by reducing the drain down
volume*