



Mobile. Master. Meter.

A New Deployment of AGA 6



AGA 6 Refresher

In Situ Proving of Gas Meters

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**Field Proving of Gas Meters Using
Transfer Methods**

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Challenges Of AGA 6 Deployment

- Variety of Field Connection Geometries
 - Attenuation Tee and Inspection Tee (H Pattern)
 - Attenuation Tee and Elbow
 - Inspection Tee
- Choosing the Reference Meter
- Maintaining Master Meter Calibration



Overcoming The Challenges

- Need for adaptable piping which can connect to various piping configurations in the field
- Need a meter with a wide rangeability and high accuracy
- Robust testing to maintain master meter accuracy while accommodating a variety of field connection geometries



Introducing M3



Mobile. Master. Meter.



M3 System Overview

- High pressure adjustable piping
- Uses ultrasonic meter for its wide rangeability and high accuracy
- Tested in a wide array of configurations while mobile nature allows for easy recalibration at regular intervals



High Pressure Adjustable Piping

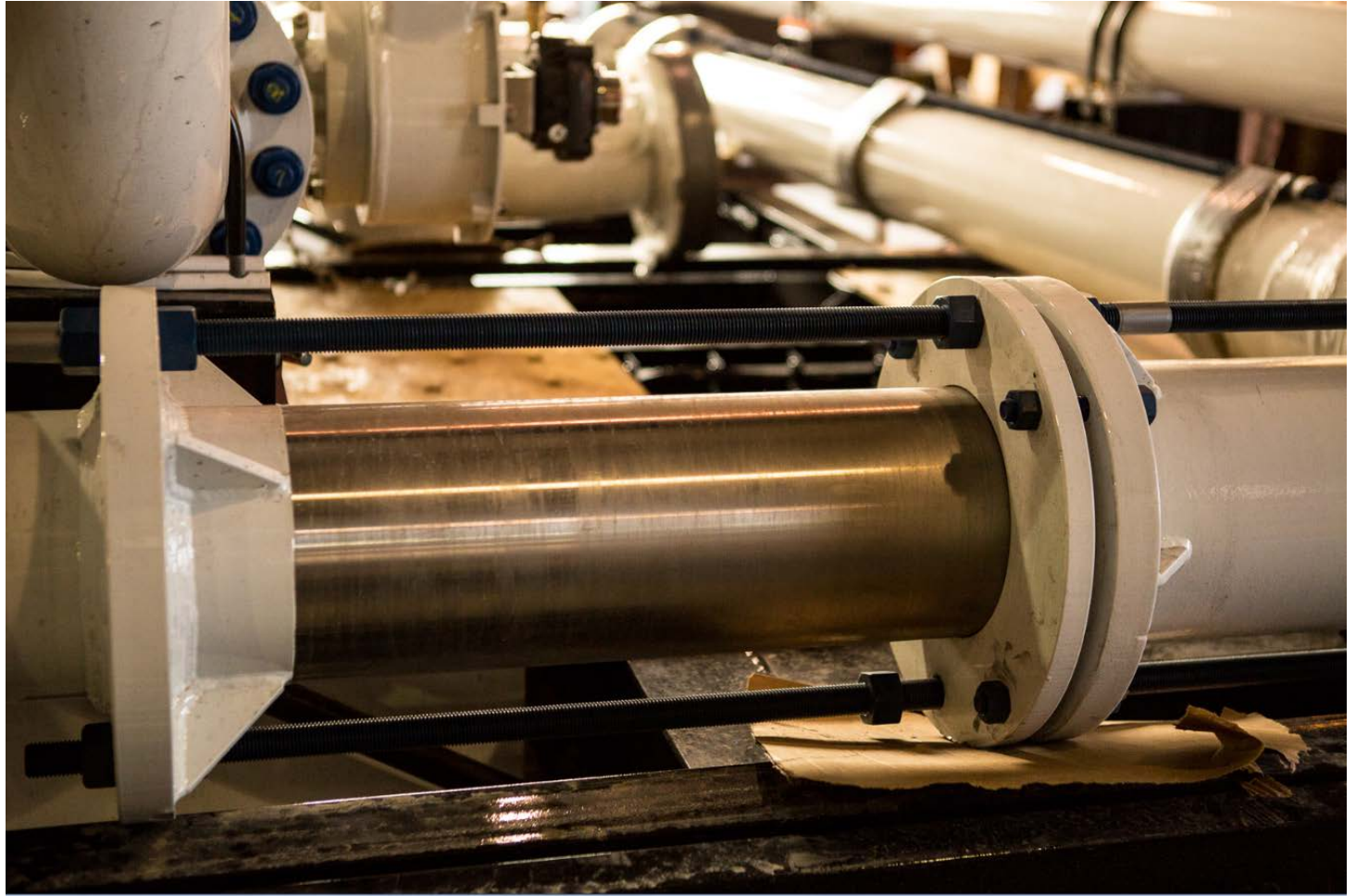
- Slip Joints
- Lap Joint Flanges
- Leveling Jacks
- Air Supports





High Pressure Adjustable Piping

Slip Joints





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Lap Joint Flanges





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Leveling Jacks





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Robust Testing of Accuracy

Product Testing





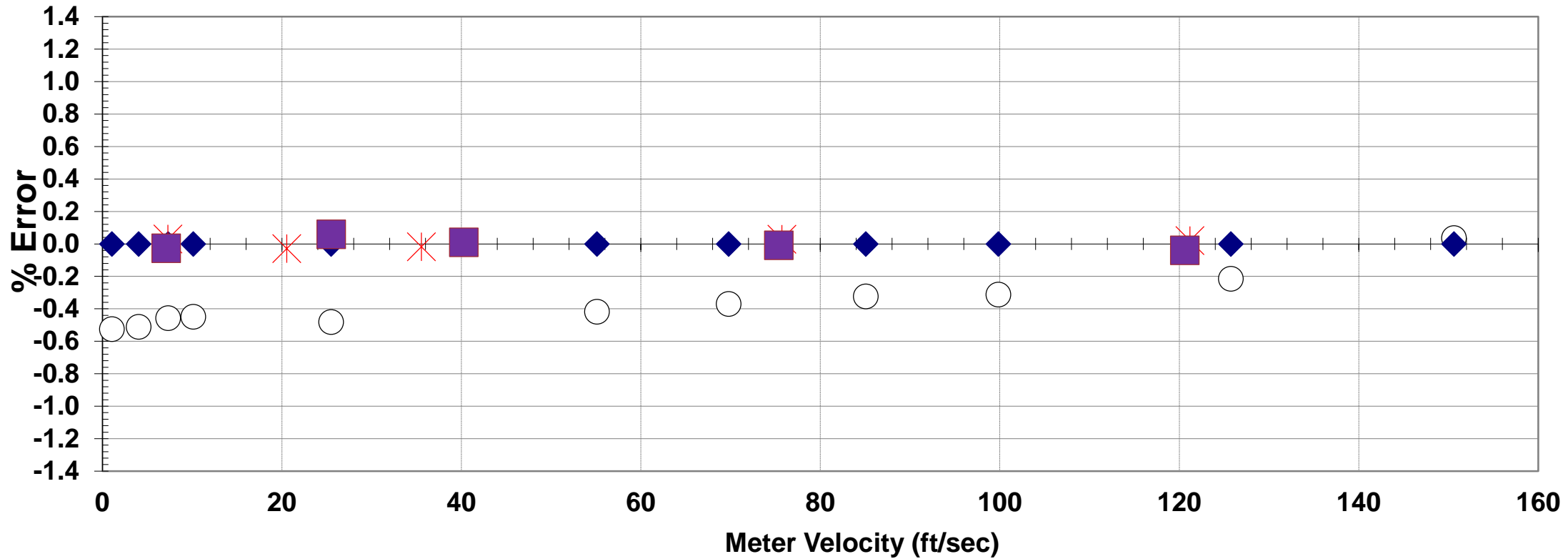
Robust Testing of Accuracy

- Extended Flow Calibration Range: 1 – 150 ft/sec
- 7 Distinct Flow Calibration & Verification Tests
 - 11 Point As-Found Calibration
 - 2nd 11 Point As-Found Calibration
 - 4 Point Verification
 - 2nd 5 Point Verification (performed on Day 2)
 - 3rd 4 Point Verification (performed after M3 Skid disconnected, driven around and returns)
 - 4th Verification while M3 Skid in Series with 12" USM
 - M3 System Verifies 12" Newly Calibrated USM



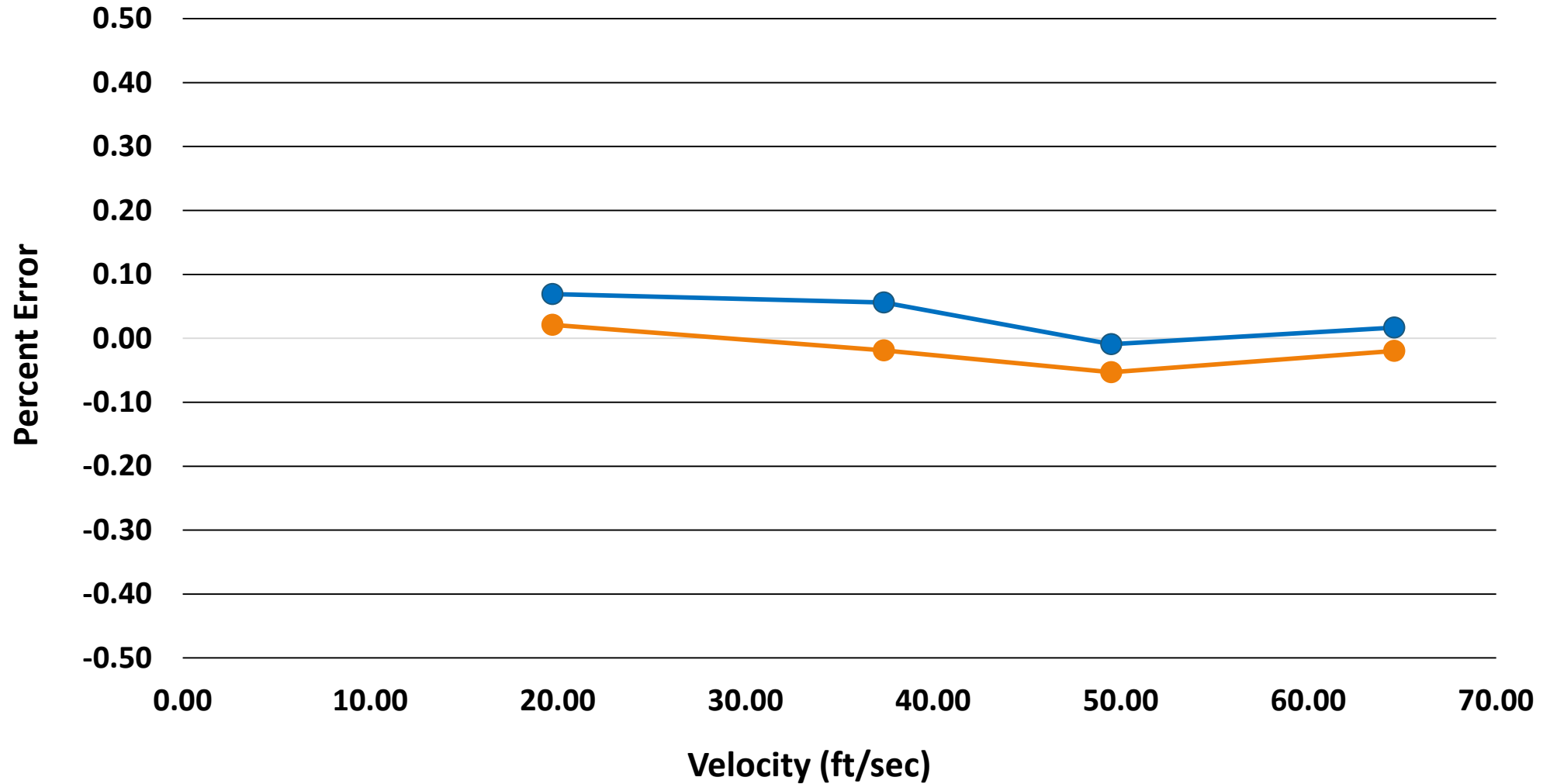
Robust Testing of Accuracy

8-inch M3 As Found and As Left Results





Final Proof of Concept





Proof of Concept

M3 As Standard		
Point	12" Meter Velocity (ft/sec)	Percent Error
1	64.57	0.02
2	49.49	-0.01
3	37.38	0.06
4	19.71	0.07



Proof of Concept

CEESI As Standard

Point	12" Meter Velocity (ft/sec)	Percent Error
1	64.57	-0.02
2	49.49	-0.05
3	37.38	-0.02
4	19.71	0.02



Robust Testing of Accuracy

Field Trials





Field Trials

- Client Meter has been installed roughly 2 months
 - Expectation is that M3 will say meter is perfect
- 1st Test – M3 says field meter is off by ~0.6%
 - Depression sets in
- Diagnostics indicate buildup in field meter
 - Break apart piping and examine
 - Confirmed that buildup exists
 - Clean pipe and rerun test



Field Trials





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- 2nd Test – M3 reads a difference with the field meter of ~0.10%
 - Euphoria sets in
- M3 team is on cloud nine. Client is in shock.
- 2 month old meter installation was *ACTUALLY* 0.5% off

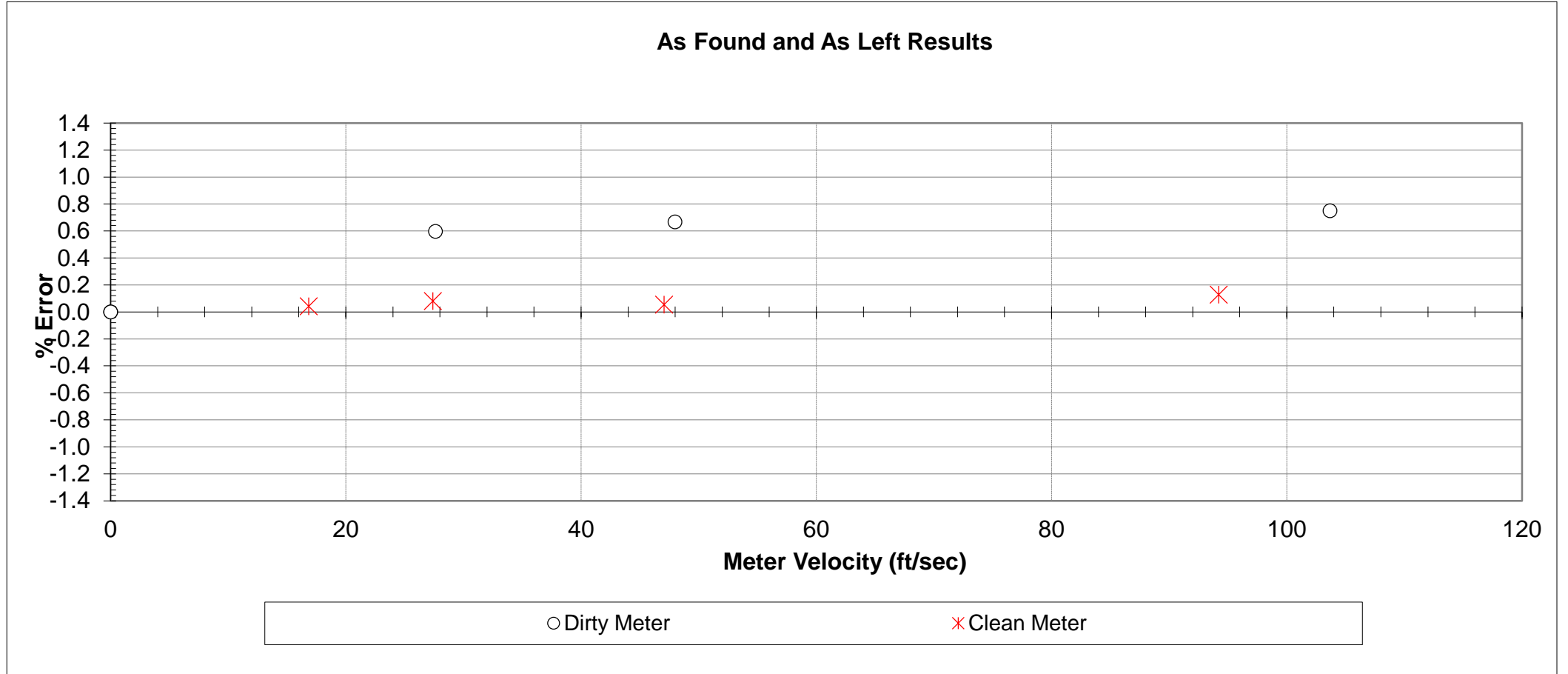


Field Trials – Economic Results

- Station runs roughly 200MMSCFD or \$600K/day
- 0.5% = \$3,000/day or \$1,095,000/year
- M3 mitigated over \$1 million/year in exposure from measurement inaccuracies
- Paid test would have been roughly \$30,000
- Client ROI on M3 would have been 10 days

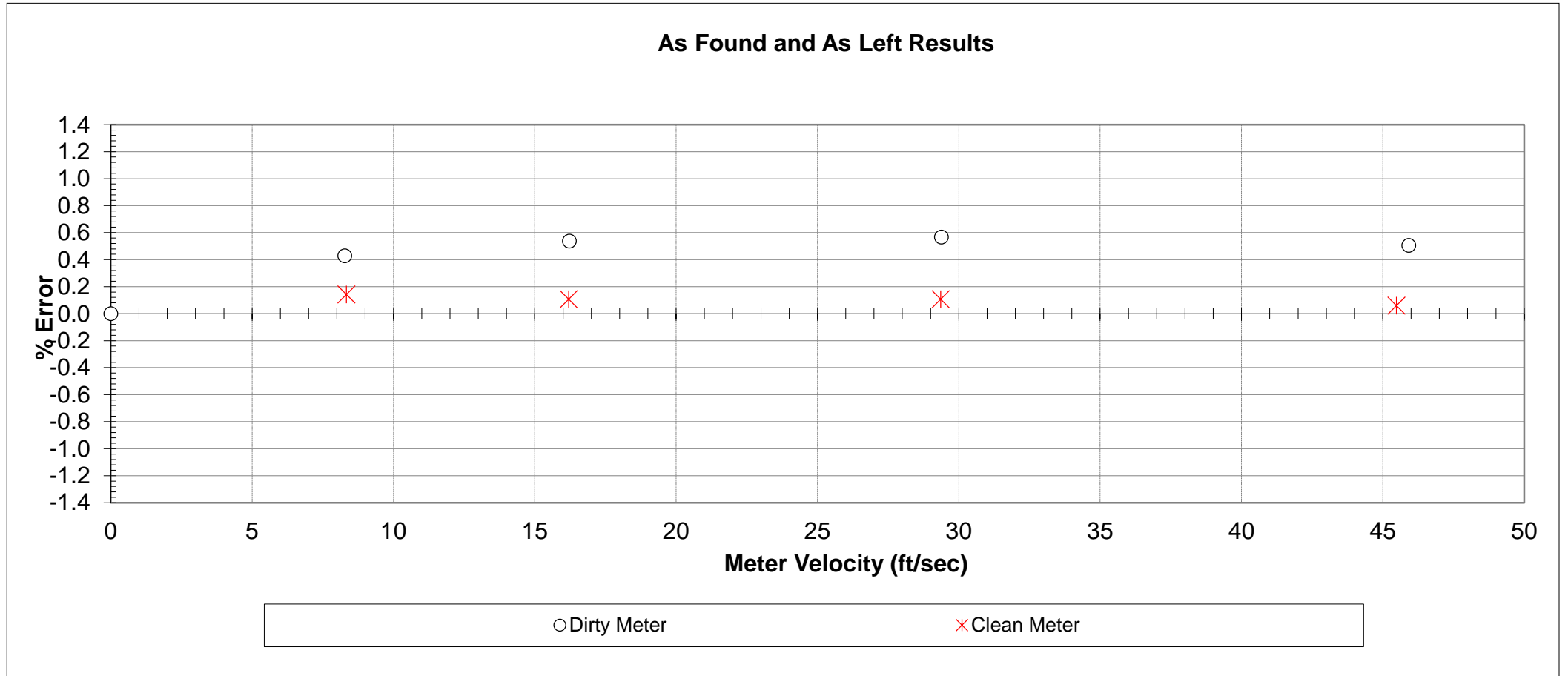


8" Field Trials - Results





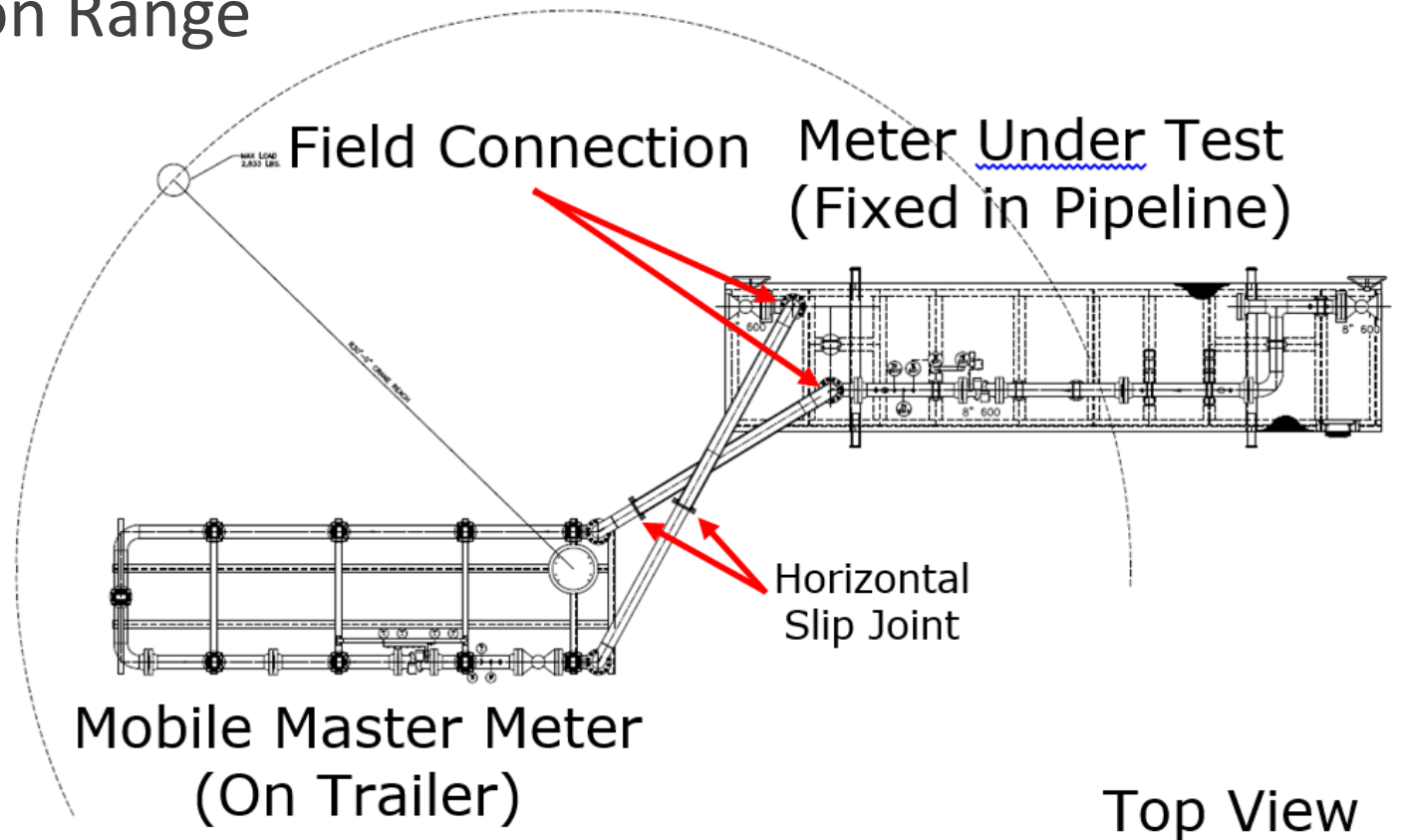
12" Field Trials - Results





System Parameters

- Verifies 4"-12" Meters (check velocity chart)
- 15'-25' Field Connection Range
- 150#-600# ANSI





System Deployment-M3

- General Meter Validation
 - Aged Meters
 - Suspect Meters
 - LAUF
- Meter Maintenance
 - As Found As Left Service



Credits



Thank You!