



SCHIFF ASSOCIATES

EDUCATION:

[Pennsylvania State University;](#)
1962 - 1966
[Ocean County College;](#)
1980 - 1982

REGISTRATIONS AND CERTIFICATIONS:

[NACE International](#)

Cathodic Protection Specialist - #2602

Corrosion Specialist - #2602

[VERIFORCE](#)

Certified OQ Evaluator

[NCCER](#)

Certified OQ Evaluator

PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES:

[NACE International:](#)

Houston Section Chairperson

[Gas Technology Institute:](#)

MIC Task Group and Risk/Integrity
Group Member

[Houston Coating Society:](#)

President

[INGAA/AGA:](#)

Direct Assessment Team Leader

JOE PIKAS

Senior Corrosion Engineer

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Mr. Pikas is a senior engineer for Schiff Associates with more than 40 years of experience in cathodic protection, corrosion control design and implementation, and project engineering management. He is an expert in pipeline integrity management, risk management, materials selection, cathodic protection design and testing, and pipeline internal and external corrosion control. In 2009, he was awarded the NACE Distinguished Service Award, and received an industry award in 2002 from AGA, GTI, INGAA, NACE, OPS, and PRCI International. Also, he has contributed many papers for NACE and SSPC publications and conferences.

RELATED PROJECT EXPERIENCE:

As an engineer, Mr. Pikas has performed the following tasks:

- Created risk assessment program for high pressure natural gas transmission system for integrity management programs and PHMSA regulations.
- Created in-line inspection program for the determination of mechanical, material defects, and corrosion anomalies.
- Participated in industry pipeline integrity programs, which reduced exposure to various pipeline operational risks.
- Identified and developed direct assessment processes and technologies for external, internal and SCC corrosion pipeline safety concerns.
- Provided technical assistance and training for company and industry personnel in all phases of cathodic protection, coatings, and internal corrosion.
- Implemented corrosion computerized data management system.
- Identified and implemented industry first isolating flange improvements and technology innovations program that reduced material failures.
- Managed protective coating research with an independent testing laboratory and made recommendations on new coating materials for pipeline rehabilitation.
- Acted as Industry Team Lead with NACE and participated with Office of Pipeline Safety in the formation and development of Direct Assessment for the Gas Integrity Rule.