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Fig 6 – Excavated pipeline showing red sand.



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Fig 8 - Feeder 15 had not been damaged. There was 8 to 10" of red sand around the pipeline, therefore the excavator was extremely close. Note excavator bucket teeth marks in the ground directly above the pipeline



Fig 5 – Extent of building work.



Fig 9 - Photograph of second excavation to supply water to the new building. The aerial marker post is clearly visible.



Feeder 15 Key Points

- Work found by Aerial Surveillance
- Contractor stopped work when he came across red backfill sand
- Landowner (Mother) responded to annual letter, Tenant farmer (Son) was aware of pipeline
- Planning Application to Wigan council for new Barn
- Work started before Planning Approved
- Local Authority did not identify pipeline at risk (failed to turn on screen which contained pipeline details)
- Despite visit to site after first incident farmer crossed pipeline again few days later.