





A new decree project targeting the improvement of accurate network location for sensitive installations and securing its safe delivery is on the drawing board in Europe.

In this specific context, we offer a reliable location system for district networks :



→ Accurate : Use of RFID microchips (Identification via radio-frequency)

→ **Simple** : Implementation of unique plastic location buoys in various key points.

- → Lasting : Reliable and robust system resistant to extreme outdoor conditions.
- → **Complete :** Complete service offered by INPAL.

->> STAGE 1 : Description of the requirements

The specific network information is gathered and integrated to each plastic location buoy.

#### The buoys can inform the following :

- → Network location
- → Specific components of the network (bends, tees, valves, burrows)
- → The depth where the pipes are buried

→ Various strategic locations

# (ex : crossing with other utilities such as gas, water or data telecom)



#### ->> STAGE 2 : Programming and positioning of the location buoys

Memory Writing, reading and depth	Unique identification number
	• Memory reinscriptable >1000 times
	• Data retention = 100 years
	<ul> <li>6 labels + 6 descriptions</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>Autonomous : no power supply required</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>Writing available up to 45 cm distance with the assistance of a detector</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>Reading available up to 2,80 m maximum</li> </ul>
Environment	<ul> <li>Anti-freezing liquid with no environmental impact</li> </ul>





The buoys are positioned by our team on site directly on the pipes in various **strategic points**, which have been previously defined with yourselves.

The buoys are **fixed with adapted accessories**, thus guaranteeing their position after backfilling.

#### —)) **STAGE 3** : Data recording



Data recording necessary to the network location is carried out by our team on site with a **GPS associated to a detector.** 

## After positioning the buoys, the following data can be retrieved :

- Geographical coordinates of the buoys (Longitude and latitude)
- Depth
- Unique identification number
- Other data already programmed in the buoy
  - → Nominal diametre

→ Fluid temperature

- → Pressure
   → Date of service
- → Application type (heat, steam..)

#### network step by step



#### ->> STAGE 4 : Data processing and storage

Once the bouys are preset and the data collected, it is therefore possible to :

Sealise the «as-built» drawing with the assistance of the CAO software type Autocad. ••• Import the data in Google Earth in order to easily visualise the network routing.



•••• >> Save the whole data

in order to set up a database for every network.



#### –)) A Complete service

Inpal Energie offers a bespoke service including :

#### System supply

→ RFID Microship programming

 $\rightarrow$  Location buoys installation on the network

→ GPS recording and data sending



#### Options 🕂





Secured data storage on database

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#### ⊷)) Advantages

### → A turnkey service

Study • Material • Installation • Maintenance

#### → Multi data storage

#### → A reliable, robust and independent system

- Buoy casing made of Polyethylene
- Power free system
   (activation via the detector)

#### Accurate detection

#### → System respecting the environment

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