

BIOGRAPHY

Paul H. Hanson, P.E.

Paul H. Hanson, P.E. serves as Regional Director, Northern States, at the Ductile Iron Pipe Research Association (DIPRA), a trade association providing research, publications, and advisory services to the water industry. He has 32 years of experience with DIPRA, joining the organization in 1989 and serving as a technical advisor to water and wastewater utility professionals, and their consulting engineers.

Over his decades of service, Paul has helped utility managers, engineers, operators, and field crew personnel with system planning and design, installations, and asset management related to iron pipe. He provides training and presentations, directs access to relevant references and guides, and is sought-after for technical advice and troubleshooting. Paul has developed long-standing relationships with utility managers and staff throughout the Midwest and northeastern regions of the U.S. As a Regional Director, he aids other DIPRA staff with senior support on technical issues, applications, material comparisons, and more. Paul is also active with research projects of DIPRA, providing technical oversight as well as a continuity of perspective for the periodic polyethylene encasement “dig-ups,” inspections, and reports.

Paul is a member of the American Water Works Association (AWWA), the National Association of Corrosion Engineers (NACE) International, the American Public Works Association (APWA), the National Society of Professional Engineers (NSPE), and the American Society of Civil Engineers (ASCE). At ASCE’s Utility Engineering and Surveying Institute (UESI) Pipelines division, he serves on the technical committee for Inspecting Pipeline Installations.

Paul is a registered professional engineer in Illinois and Indiana and is a NACE Certified Corrosion Specialist. He has a Bachelor of Science degree in Civil Engineering from Valparaiso University. Prior to joining DIPRA, Paul was a project engineer for a consulting firm, a construction engineer for a large underground contractor, and held the positions of Supervisor of Construction and General Superintendent – Operations & Engineering for Citizens Utilities in the greater Chicago area.