COMPANY PROFILE

Natural Gas Pipeline Company of America (NGPL) is the largest transporter of natural gas into the high-demand Chicago market. The large interstate system has approximately 10,000 miles of pipeline, 239 Bcf of working gas storage and peak day deliverability of 5.8 Bcf per day. NGPL has developed a unique and extensive infrastructure – including premier storage facilities – that enables it to provide safe, reliable and efficient natural gas service to its many customers.

COMMITMENT TO SAFETY, HEALTH & ENVIRONMENT

Kinder Morgan/NGPL is committed to public safety, protection of the environment, and operation of its facilities in compliance with all applicable rules and regulations. The KM/NGPL pipelines fall under the regulatory oversight of the Office of Pipeline Safety in the U.S. Department of Transportation. The company is proud of its safety record and follows many regulations and procedures to monitor and ensure the integrity of its pipelines.

- Pipeline operating conditions are monitored 24 hours a day, seven days a week by personnel in our Houston Gas Control Center using a Supervisory Control and Data Acquisition (SCADA) computer system. This electronic surveillance system gathers such data as pipeline pressures, volume and flow rates, the status of compressor stations and valves. Whenever operating conditions change, an alarm warns the operator on duty and the condition is investigated. Both automated and manual valves are strategically placed along the pipeline system to enable the pipeline to be shut down immediately and sections to be isolated quickly, if necessary.
- Visual inspections of Kinder Morgan’s pipe line right-of-way are conducted by air and/or ground on a regular basis. The right-of-way is a narrow strip of land reserved for the pipeline. Above ground marker signs are displayed along the right-of-way to alert the public and contractors to the existence of the pipeline.
- Internal inspections are conducted periodically by passing sophisticated computerized equipment called “smart pigs” through most of our pipelines to confirm the wall thickness of the pipe.
- Cathodic protection is a technology designed to protect pipelines from external corrosion through the use of an electrostatic current. The small electrical charge is applied to our pipelines, which have an external protective coating.
- Kinder Morgan’s public education program is designed to prevent third-party damage to its pipelines. Additionally, the company is a member of numerous “call-before-you-dig” programs or “one-call” systems across the United States, which are designed to help the public, contractors and others identify the location of pipelines before excavation or digging projects to prevent damage to pipelines and protect the public. The leading cause of pipeline accidents is third-party damage caused by various types of digging and excavation activities.

In an emergency, please call 800-733-2490.

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IOWA COUNTIES OF OPERATION:

- Adair
- Mahaska
- Union
- Adams
- Marion
- Warren
- Keokuk
- Mills
- Washington
- Louisa
- Montgomery
- Madison
- Muscatine

Changes may occur. Contact the operator to discuss their pipeline systems and areas of operation.

Pipelines are the most efficient and safest method by which to transport and deliver natural gas and they are inherently safer than other modes of transportation such as rail, barge and truck. While the amount of natural gas being used in the U.S. continues to increase dramatically, the industry’s safety performance in recent years has improved significantly and serious accidents are rare.

Pipelines help ensure a plentiful supply of natural gas to heat homes and businesses and generate electricity. There are well over one million miles of natural gas and product pipelines in the U.S.