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### ABOUT COLUMBIA GAS OF PENNSYLVANIA AND COLUMBIA GAS

OF MARYLAND

Headquartered in Canonsburg, Pa., Columbia Gas of Pennsylvania serves approximately 445,000 customers in 26 counties. Columbia Gas of Maryland serves more than 34,000 customers in three counties. Columbia Gas is a leader in providing safe and reliable service to our customers with active involvement in economic development and investing in strong communities through safety, economic & workforce development, environmental stewardship, STEM & energy education and basic needs & hardship assistance.

### **COMMITMENT TO SAFETY**

Safety, customer satisfaction and sustainability are key priorities for Columbia Gas. The company invests millions each year to expand the system and replace aging facilities. Columbia Gas regularly conducts training and safety programs to keep employees informed about hazards in the workplace. The company also conducts training for local emergency officials regarding response to natural gas emergencies and educational programming for contractors and excavators.

# KEEPING THE PUBLIC AND OUR SYSTEM SAFE IS OUR TOP PRIORITY

Our gas control and monitoring center operates 24-hours a day, seven days a week. We regularly patrol our pipeline rights-of-way and conduct regular inspections of our pipeline system. Our operation employees receive regular training and are qualified under U.S. Department of Transportation standards for natural gas pipeline operators. Columbia Gas spends millions of dollars each year in pipeline replacements and upgrades to ensure the safety and reliability of our system. Employees are on call at all times to respond to any

emergency situation. In addition, we work with emergency responders to make them aware of the locations of our pipelines and how to respond in an emergency. In accordance with federal regulations, some segments along the pipeline have been designated as High Consequence Areas. We have developed supplemental assessments and prevention plans for these highly populated areas with transmission pipelines.

#### **EMERGENCY MANUAL**

Columbia Gas utilizes its Emergency Manual as a tool providing guidance during natural gas related incidents or emergency situations.

Three critical areas we include in our Emergency Manual used during critical incident response involving natural gas facilities are Incident Preparation, Incident Management, and Incident Review & Reporting.

Please reach out to us through the contact information provided at the top of the page if you would like to discuss or obtain a copy of our Emergency Manual.

# PUBLIC EDUCATION AND OUTREACH

Columbia Gas regularly provides educational material to customers and the general public regarding natural gas emergencies and what to do if they smell natural gas. This information includes scratch and sniff cards, pipeline safety brochures, and informational media advertising aimed at the general public.

Columbia Gas is an active participant in One Call System programs and educational outreach.

Anyone digging in Maryland needs to contact Miss Utility at least two full business days before digging by calling 811 or visiting MissUtility.net.

# **EMERGENCY CONTACT:** 1-888-460-4332

### PRODUCTS/DOT GUIDEBOOK ID#/GUIDE#:

Natural Gas

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# MARYLAND COUNTIES OF OPERATION:

Allegany Garrett Washington

# PENNSYLVANIA COUNTIES OF OPERATION:

Adams Fulton Allegheny Greene Armstrona Indiana Jefferson Beaver Bedford Lawrence Butler McKean Centre Mercer Chester Somerset Clarion Venango Clearfield Warren Elk Washington Westmoreland Fayette

Franklin York

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

Anyone digging in Pennsylvania needs to contact PA One Call at least three business days before digging by calling 811 or visiting PAOneCall.org.

Learn more at: ColumbiaGasMD.com ColumbiaGasPA.com

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SAFETY IS IN YOUR HANDS. **EVERY DIG. EVERY TIME.** 

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