



Equitrans Midstream :: Emergency Overview



**LIAISON WITH APPROPRIATE OFFICIALS**

Code of Federal Regulations Title 49, Part 192.615 (c) and 192.616 requires operators of natural gas pipelines to maintain liaison with appropriate fire, police, and other public officials to:

- 1) Learn the responsibility and resources of each government organization that may respond to a pipeline emergency;
- 2) Acquaint the officials with the operator's ability in responding to a pipeline emergency;
- 3) Identify the types of pipeline emergencies of which the operator notifies the officials; and
- 4) Plan how the operator and officials can engage in mutual assistance to minimize hazards to life or property.

Equitrans Midstream attends the Paradigm Liaison Services meetings and has developed this document to comply with the Code of Federal Regulations Part 192.615 (c) and 192.616.

**WHAT CONSTITUTES A PIPELINE EMERGENCY?**

A pipeline emergency may be, but is not limited to, one or more of the following situations:

- 1) Gas detected inside or near a building.
- 2) Fire located near or directly involving a pipeline facility.
- 3) Explosion occurring near or directly involving a pipeline facility.
- 4) Natural disaster such as flood, tornado, mine subsidence, etc.

For these types of emergencies, police, fire, and emergency services may be notified.

**RESOURCES OF EMERGENCY RESPONSE ORGANIZATIONS**

The organizations invited to attend the Paradigm Liaison Services meetings within the Equitrans Midstream operating area have been asked to complete an *Emergency Response Report* that includes public agency information, emergency information and emergency response capabilities. This information provides Equitrans Midstream with an understanding of the various agencies' resources available to assist in the event of a pipeline emergency.

**RESPONSIBILITY OF EMERGENCY RESPONSE ORGANIZATIONS**

Equitrans Midstream may request assistance from emergency agencies in the event of a pipeline emergency. A few guidelines regarding what may be requested from agencies include:

**Police**

- Establish a restricted zone around the emergency site.
- Evacuate buildings within the restricted zone.
- Prevent unauthorized personnel from entering the restricted zone.
- Preserve the area for accident investigation.

**Fire**

- Establish a restricted zone around the emergency site.
- Evacuate buildings within the restricted zone.
- Eliminate potential ignition sources.
- Search and rescue operations.
- Contain and control secondary fires.

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**PENNSYLVANIA  
COUNTIES OF OPERATION:**

Allegheny	Elk
Armstrong	Greene
Beaver	Indiana
Butler	Jefferson
Cambria	Washington
Clarion	Westmoreland
Clearfield	

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

**Emergency Services**

- Provide medical assistance.
- Provide ambulance service.
- Provide air evacuation service.

**What not to do:**

- Do not operate any mainline valves.
- If pipeline product is not burning, do not take any action that may cause an ignition.
- If pipeline product is burning, do not attempt to put out the fire, unless requested to do so by Equitrans Midstream personnel.

**EQUITRANS MIDSTREAM  
EMERGENCY PLAN AND ABILITY  
TO RESPOND TO A NATURAL GAS  
PIPELINE EMERGENCY**

In the event of a natural gas pipeline emergency, Equitrans Midstream personnel have been trained to perform the following actions, which are dependent upon the severity of the emergency:

- Locate the site of the emergency.
- Take actions to protect the public first, followed by the property, including:



- i. Reducing or stopping the pipeline's product flow
  - ii. Establishing a restricted zone at the site of the emergency
  - iii. Eliminating potential ignition sources
  - iv. Evacuation of structures within the restricted zone
- Notify police, fire department, or other appropriate officials.
  - Provide a Company representative to work with appropriate officials during the emergency.
  - Establish a staging area to coordinate and develop a plan of action with emergency officials.
  - Provide facility maps and hazardous location areas to the appropriate officials.
  - Repair the affected facilities.
  - Restore supply service to the affected customers.
  - Investigate the cause of the incident.

**MUTUAL ASSISTANCE**

The Paradigm Liaison Services meetings afford an opportunity for Equitrans Midstream to have an open

dialogue with appropriate local officials, which includes discussing the necessary steps for engaging in mutual assistance to minimize hazards to life or property in the event of an emergency. Additionally, the presentation includes tabletop emergency exercises. A question and answer session concludes the program and, afterwards, guests are welcome to visit the company's display table for additional discussion and information.

**NATIONAL PIPELINE MAPPING SYSTEM**

The United States Department of Transportation has a list of pipeline operators searchable by state, county and zip code. To obtain this list, visit [www.npms.phmsa.dot.gov](http://www.npms.phmsa.dot.gov)

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