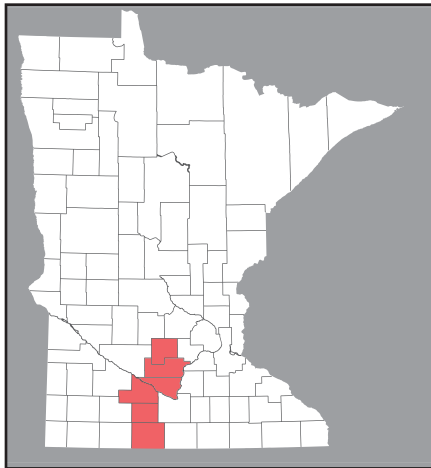




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OPERATOR OVERVIEW

Hutchinson Utilities is a combination electric and natural gas municipal utility that provides natural gas to approximately 5,500 residential, commercial and industrial customers in the Hutchinson area. In addition, Hutchinson Utilities owns and operates a high-pressure natural gas transmission pipeline. This pipeline transports natural gas from Southern Minnesota, North to Hutchinson, supplying our power plants and distribution customers with natural gas. Hutchinson Utilities also serves various cities and industrial customers along the pipeline route.



Hutchinson Utilities regularly patrols the pipeline with a low flying helicopter to detect activities near the line. System conditions are monitored on a 24-hour basis by personnel in our System Control Center utilizing a computerized Supervisory Control and Data Acquisition (SCADA) system.

Emergency preparedness and planning measures are in place at Hutchinson Utilities in the unlikely event that a natural gas incident occurs. The Utilities also works closely with local emergency response agencies to educate them on how to respond in the unlikely event of an emergency.

COMMITMENT TO SAFETY, HEALTH & ENVIRONMENT

Hutchinson Utilities is committed to the protection of the public, it's employees, the environment and to the safe operation of its facilities in compliance with all applicable rules and regulations. The Utility's natural gas transmission pipeline and distribution system fall under the regulatory oversight of the Office of Pipeline Safety in the U.S. Department of Transportation.

Hutchinson Utilities is a member of Minnesota's "Gopher State One Call" program, which is designed to assist the public, excavation contractors and others in identifying the location of underground natural gas lines to prevent damage to Hutchinson Utilities' facilities and to protect the public. For more information about Hutchinson Utilities' transmission and distribution system contact the Utilities' Natural Gas Division at 320-587-4746 or visit www.hutchinsonutilities.com.

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