



**COMPANY PROFILE**

Howard Energy Partners (HEP) is an innovative, growth-oriented midstream provider with assets across Texas, Pennsylvania, New Mexico, Oklahoma and Mexico. Led by an executive team of seasoned professionals with more than 150 years of combined experience, we provide oil and gas producers with a full suite of integrated midstream services from wellhead to market. In New Mexico, HEP has around 19 miles of natural gas and crude oil gathering lines.

**WHAT DOES HEP DO IF A LEAK OCCURS?**

To prepare for the event of a leak, HEP regularly communicates, plans and trains with local emergency responders. Upon the notification of an incident or leak HEP will immediately dispatch trained personnel to assist emergency responders.

HEP and emergency responders are trained to protect life, property and facilities in the case of an emergency.

HEP will also take steps to evacuate, eliminate ignition sources and isolate the pipeline.

**WHAT SHOULD I DO IF I SUSPECT A PIPELINE LEAK?**

Natural gas and Highly Volatile Liquids (HVL) are colorless and nearly invisible to the eye. Small leaks can be identified by looking for dying or discolored vegetation in a naturally green area.

Hazardous liquids produce a strong sheen or film standing on a body of water. A HVL leak may be identified by a fog-like vapor cloud in areas of high humidity. Natural gas is colorless, but blowing dirt around a pipeline area may be observed, or vapor and “ground frosting” may be visible at high pressures, regardless of temperature.

Other ways to recognize a leak may include: water bubbling up or standing in an unusual area, a mist or vapor cloud, a powerful fire or explosion with dense smoke plumes, or an area of petroleum-stained ground.

The volume of a pipeline leak can range from a quiet hissing to a loud roar, depending on the size and nature of the leak.

An unusual smell, petroleum or gaseous odor will sometimes accompany pipeline leaks. Natural gas and HVLs are colorless, tasteless and odorless unless odorants, such as Mercaptan, are added.

**PIPELINE LOCATION AND MARKERS**

Pipeline markers are used to indicate the approximate location of a natural gas pipeline and to provide contact information. Aerial patrol planes also use the markers to identify the pipeline route. Markers should never be removed or relocated by anyone other than a pipeline operator.



**EMERGENCY CONTACT:**

**1-866-504-8897**

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

Crude Oil	1267	128
Natural Gas	1971	115

**NEW MEXICO COUNTIES OF OPERATION:**

Eddy

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

**MAINTAINING SAFETY AND INTEGRITY OF PIPELINES**

HEP invests significant time and capital maintaining the quality and integrity of their pipeline systems.

Our pipelines have cathodic protection and are monitored to insure the integrity of our pipelines.

Gas transmission and hazardous liquid pipeline operators have developed supplemental hazard and assessment programs known as Integrity Management Programs (IMPs). Specific information about HEP’s program may be found by contacting us directly.

**HOW TO GET ADDITIONAL INFORMATION**

For more information call 210-298-2222 or visit www.howardenergypartners.com.

