



Columbia Gas of Ohio, Inc. is a natural gas distribution company and a subsidiary of NiSource, Inc.

- Approximately 1.4 million customers in 61 of Ohio's 88 counties.
- Over 20,000 miles of main line in Ohio
- Pipe material is polyethylene, steel, and cast iron
- Pipe sizes range from ½ inch to 24 inch pipe and pressures range from 4 ounces to 800 psi.

OPERATION OF GAS VALVES

Do not operate main line valves when responding to an emergency. Strict procedures must be followed prior to and during the operation of any main line gas valve in order to achieve the desired affect on the system and to assure safety of the public and employees. Operating a gas valve can make a bad situation worse. Gas valves on city gates and supply lines, regulator stations, and gas mains should only be operated by Columbia Gas and under the supervision of Columbia Operations and Engineering Departments.

Similarly, never attempt to squeeze-off a plastic (polyethylene) pipe with improvised equipment such as the jaws-of-life or actual squeeze-off jacks in an attempt to shut off the flow of gas.

It is OK to close a meter valve or service line curb valve in order to make a situation safe. If a valve is closed, only a Columbia Gas representative should turn it back on. Please report these actions to Columbia Gas of Ohio immediately so that appropriate follow-up safety checks can be made. Do not assume

that closing a meter or service line valve has eliminated a hazardous condition – leakage upstream of the valve could be migrating. It is absolutely vital to monitor the situation and any concentrations of natural gas in the vicinity.

PIPELINE MARKERS

Pipeline markers may be round, flat, or triangular. The tops of markers may be yellow or orange with black text.

Line markers are not always directly over the main, but indicate that a gas pipeline is in the area.

The absence of above-ground markers DOES NOT indicate that there are no gas lines in the area.



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OHIO COUNTIES OF OPERATION:

Allen	Lorain
Ashland	Lucas
Athens	Madison
Belmont	Mahoning
Carroll	Marion
Champaign	Medina
Clark	Meigs
Columbiana	Monroe
Coshocton	Morgan
Crawford	Morrow
Cuyahoga	Muskingum
Delaware	Noble
Erie	Ottawa
Fairfield	Perry
Franklin	Pickaway
Fulton	Richland
Gallia	Ross
Greene	Sandusky
Guernsey	Scioto
Hancock	Seneca
Hardin	Stark
Harrison	Summit
Hocking	Tuscarawas
Holmes	Union
Huron	Vinton
Jackson	Warren
Jefferson	Washington
Knox	Wayne
Lawrence	Wood
Licking	Wyandot
Logan	

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

For more information, visit ColumbiaGasOhio.com

