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#### **OUR COMMITMENT TO SAFETY**

Williams Ohio Valley Midstream is committed to maintaining the highest standards of safety. We want to make sure our operations remain as safe as possible to protect you, the public, our employees and the pipelines' operational integrity.

Pipelines are the safest, most reliable and efficient manner of transporting energy products. Statistics gathered by the Nation Transportation Safety Board, a federal agency, indicate that less than one one-hundredth of one percent (.01%) of all transportation accidents in the U.S. are related to pipelines.

Pipelines exist almost everywhere throughout the United States – generally buried underground – transporting the energy that you depend on every day to heat your home, generate electricity, cook your food, and so much more. Pipelines are a vital and efficient part of the United States' energy infrastructure.



One of the greatest single challenges to safe pipeline operations is the accidental damage caused by excavation, construction, farming activities, or even homeowner construction and maintenance.

Awareness is crucial in preventing pipeline accidents. Everyone can contribute to safety and security by knowing where pipelines are in their communities and how to recognize unauthorized activity or abnormal conditions.

By working together, we can reduce third party damage to the pipeline, prevent accidents, and maintain public safety. Call us immediately if you see suspicious activity and/or unauthorized construction near the pipeline right-of-way. No one should conduct blasting, ditching, drilling, leveling, or plowing near the pipeline right-of-way without contacting the local one-call center at least 48 hours in advance to have underground utilities marked.

### **EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS**

Company representatives meet regularly with firefighters, emergency management officials, law enforcement officers, public officials, and planning agencies to review emergency response procedures. In case of an emergency, Williams will immediately dispatch personnel to the site to help handle the emergency and to provide information to emergency responders. We will also take the necessary operating actions – starting and stopping equipment, closing and opening valves, and other steps – to minimize the impact of the emergency.

Emergency Responders, here are a few suggestions for keeping the public safe in the event of a pipeline emergency:

 Secure the area around the leak to a safe distance. This could include the evacuation of people from homes, businesses, schools, nursing homes, and other locations. Use barricades to limit access.

# **EMERGENCY CONTACT:** 1-855-945-5762

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# OHIO COUNTIES OF OPERATION:

Belmont

Monroe

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

- If the pipeline leak is not burning, take steps to prevent ignition. Prohibit smoking, reroute traffic, and shut off the electricity and residential gas supply.
- Contact the pipeline company as quickly as possible. Pipeline marker signs show the pipeline company's name, emergency telephone number, and pipeline contents.
- If you are unfamiliar with the pipeline involved in the emergency, do not attempt to operate any of the valves on the pipeline. Improper operation of the valves could worsen the situation and cause other accidents to happen.

#### **CONTACTS**

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