



**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 gas pipeline emergency;
- (2) Acquaint the officials with the operator's ability in responding to a gas pipeline emergency;
- (3) Identify the types of gas 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.

Diversified Gas & Oil Corporation attends the Paradigm Liaison Services meetings within their operating area and has developed this pamphlet in order to comply with the Code of Federal Regulations Part 192.615 (c) and 192.616.



**WHAT CONSTITUTES A PIPELINE EMERGENCY?**

A gas 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.

These are the type of emergencies of which police, fire, and emergency services may be notified.

**RESOURCES OF EMERGENCY RESPONSE ORGANIZATIONS**

The various organizations that have been invited to attend the Paradigm Liaison Services meetings within the Diversified Gas & Oil Corporation operating area have been asked to complete an Emergency Response Report form that includes Public Agency Information, Emergency Information and Emergency Response Capabilities. The information provides Diversified Gas & Oil Corporation with an understanding of the resources the various agencies have to assist in the event of a gas pipeline emergency.

**RESPONSIBILITY OF EMERGENCY RESPONSE ORGANIZATIONS**

Diversified Gas & Oil Corporation may request assistance from emergency agencies in the event of a gas pipeline emergency. Following are some guidelines concerning what may be requested from the agencies:

**Police**

- Establish a restricted zone around the emergency site.
- Evacuate buildings within the restricted zone.

**EMERGENCY CONTACT:**

**1-877-711-1138**

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**PENNSYLVANIA COUNTIES OF OPERATION:**

|         |              |
|---------|--------------|
| Clarion | Jefferson    |
| Elk     | Tioga        |
| Fayette | Westmoreland |

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

- 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.

**Emergency Services**

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

**What Not To Do:**

- Do not operate any mainline valves.
- If natural gas is not burning, do not take any action that may ignite it. If natural gas is burning, do not attempt to put out the pipeline fire, unless requested to do so by company personnel.

**DIVERSIFIED GAS & OIL CORPORATION: EMERGENCY PLAN ACTIONS ABILITY TO RESPOND TO A PIPELINE EMERGENCY**

In the event of a pipeline emergency, Diversified Gas & Oil Corporation personnel have been trained to and may perform several or all of the following actions depending on the severity of the emergency:

- Locate the site of the emergency.
- Take actions toward protecting the public first and then property, these actions may include:
  - i. Reducing or stopping the flow of natural gas.
  - ii. Establishing a restricted zone around the emergency site.
  - iii. Eliminating potential ignition sources.
  - iv. Evacuation of buildings within the restricted zone.
- Notify police, fire department, and/ 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 to the appropriate officials.
- Repair the affected facilities.
- Restore supply to the affected area and service to customers.
- Investigate the cause of the incident.

**MUTUAL ASSISTANCE**

The Paradigm Liaison Services meetings afford Diversified Gas & Oil Corporation the opportunity to discuss with the appropriate officials what steps must be taken to engage in mutual assistance to minimize hazards to life or property in the event of an emergency. A question and answer session is included in the programs and guests are invited to visit the companies 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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