



Equitrans Midstream :: Emergency Overview



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

Equitrans Midstream 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 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 Equitrans Midstream 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 Equitrans Midstream with an understanding of the resources the various agencies have to assist in the event of a pipeline emergency.

RESPONSIBILITY OF EMERGENCY RESPONSE ORGANIZATIONS

Equitrans Midstream may request assistance from emergency agencies in the event of a 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.
- 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.

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Natural Gas	1971	115

**WEST VIRGINIA
COUNTIES OF OPERATION:**

Barbour	Nicholas
Braxton	Preston
Calhoun	Randolph
Clay	Ritchie
Doddridge	Roane
Gilmer	Taylor
Harrison	Tyler
Lewis	Upshur
Marion	Webster
Marshall	Wetzel
Monongalia	Wirt

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

Emergency Services

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

What not to do:

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

**EQUITRANS MIDSTREAM
EMERGENCY PLAN ACTIONS:
ABILITY TO RESPOND TO A GAS
PIPELINE EMERGENCY**

In the event of a pipeline emergency, Equitrans Midstream 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 pipeline product*
 - 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 and hazardous location areas 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 Equitrans Midstream 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, and the presentation includes tabletop emergency exercises. A question and answer session concludes 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

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