

Sponsors & Emergency Numbers

•Avrappaho Communications, L.P	570-785-3121
•Bay Valley Foods L.L.C	412-442-0350
•Borough of Chambersburg Gas Dept.	717-263-4111
•Buckeye Partners, L.P.	800-331-4115
•Chariters Natural Gas Company Inc.	724-745-6342
•Colonial Pipeline Company	800-926-2728
•Columbia Gas of Pennsylvania	888-460-4332
•Columbia Gas Transmission	800-835-7191
•Dominion Peoples	800-400-4271
•Dominion Transmission Inc.	888-264-8240
•Eastern Shore Natural Gas	302-734-6720
•Environmental Incorporated	724-567-2000
•Equitable Gas Company	800-253-3928
•Equitrans, L.P.	800-253-3928
•National Fuel Gas Company	800-444-3130
•PECO An Exelon Company	800-841-4141
•Penneco Pipeline Corporation	800-242-1241
•Philadelphia Gas Works	215-235-1212
•PPL Gas Utilities Corporation	800-652-0550
•PPL Interstate Energy Company	800-747-3375
•Sunoco Pipeline L.P.	800-786-7440
•T.W. Phillips Gas and Oil Company	800-222-5101
•Tennessee Gas Pipeline Company	877-295-7175
•TEPECO	800-530-1050
•Texas Eastern Transmission, L.P.	800-231-7794
•UGI Penn Natural Gas Inc.	800-228-0110
•UGI Utilities Inc.	800-609-4844
•United States Gypsum Company	724-857-4300
•US Steel	800-992-2262
•Valero Refining Company NJ	800-224-6019
•Williams Gas Pipeline - Transco	800-440-8475

Call Before You Dig

- Statistics indicate that damage from excavation related activities is a leading cause of pipeline accidents. If you are a homeowner, farmer, excavator, or developer, we need your help in preventing pipeline emergencies.
- Call Pennsylvania One Call System, Inc. (POCS) three business days before you dig at 800-242-1776 or 8-1-1.
- It is your responsibility under the law to provide exact and specific work site information.
- **Pennsylvania One Call System, Inc. does not locate underground facility lines.**
- POCS automated response system will notify you of the member facility owner's status on your dig notification at the end of the 2nd business day for routine notifications and 2 hours for emergency notifications.
- Maintain a safe clearance between any subsurface facility and the cutting edge or point of powered equipment. The law requires use of prudent techniques inside 18" of the outside edge of an underground facility.
- Marking indicates only the approximate location of buried lines. After obtaining facility owner's permission, hand dig test holes in a careful and prudent manner to determine the precise location of underground facility lines. Upon hand digging, if you are still unable to determine the exact location of the lines, call POCS or the facility owner for assistance prior to any excavation.
- If you must expose a line, the state law requires you to protect and support the underground facility line while working on the site. Ask the facility owner's locator for help and advice when you are near underground lines.
- The excavator must renotify POCS for new markings if the facility owner markings are destroyed or removed before excavation commences.
- The excavator must also renotify POCS if the job is delayed more than 10 business days from the original start date.

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PIPELINE SAFETY BULLETIN

Important Safety Guidelines

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-OR- 800-242-1776

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Your Local Gas Distribution
and Pipeline Companies
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(for additional Pipeline Safety Bulletins)

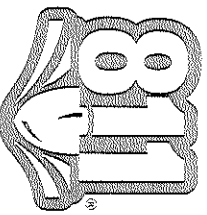
www.dli.state.pa.us
www.osha.gov
http://ops.dot.gov

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- PA Act 287 as amended requires excavators as well as private land owners to call POCSS three business days before any kind of digging occurs with powered equipment.
- Mark your excavation area in white before calling with a dig notification.
- By calling you allow the facility owners an opportunity to locate and mark their underground facilities in advance of the planned excavation (gas and liquid pipelines will mark underground facility lines using yellow stakes, flags or paint).
- Protect and preserve markings until they are no longer required for a safe and proper excavation.
- Pipeline operators use several methods of monitoring to prevent accidents and detect potentially hazardous situations.
- No construction or excavation activities of any kind, including blasting, drilling or boring are to be done on any pipeline easement area before the pipeline operator has established the location of all affected facilities and the limits of the easements.
- Because of the critical nature of liquid pipelines and high pressure natural gas, facility owners want to be on site when construction or excavation activities are near the lines.
- When crossing a pipeline with heavy equipment during construction you may be required to use protective materials that are approved by individual pipeline companies. When construction is completed, the additional protection must be removed.
- Please consult with the facility owner or line operator when backfilling which also includes areas of washout and erosion.
- Contact your local pipeline operator for information on high-consequence areas and integrity management programs.

- Pipeline markers display the material transported, the name of the pipeline operator and the operator's emergency number.
- Pipeline markers show approximate location of pipelines and do not reveal the exact location, depth or pressure of the pipeline.
- Easements are written agreements between pipeline companies and landowners, which permit pipeline companies to operate and maintain the pipeline through the landowner's property. When purchasing property or beginning construction, it is essential to research existing easements.
- Easements must be kept clear and nothing can be built over the pipeline.
- Many pipelines were built in unpopulated areas that are now developed. Accidents occur when excavators encroach on the rights of way through construction.

Excavation projects should always begin with notification to the state's one call system.



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3 Business Days Notice Required
www.paonecall.org/pipelinesafety

A gas or petroleum line is hit or damaged and is leaking:

- Stop all digging and leave the equipment in place.
- Evacuate the work area and adjacent structures.
- Remain upwind at a safe distance.
- Call the appropriate gas or petroleum company immediately from a safe distance (refer to the emergency numbers).
- Call 9-1-1 or local fire department.
- Eliminate potential ignition sources, i.e., open flames, smoking materials, the starting or operating of motor vehicles, the use of phones, radios, doorbells, electric switches, flashlights, etc.
- Do not try to extinguish a fire unless there is a direct threat to life.
- Do not operate any pipeline valves.
- Cordon off the excavation area.
- Any damage to a line must be reported to the facility owner by law and it is unlawful to cover up a line that may be damaged.

A gas or petroleum line is hit or exposed without apparent damage or leakage:

- Call the appropriate Gas or Petroleum Company immediately from a safe distance (refer to the emergency numbers).
- Excavation activity should stop until the facility owner clears you to proceed.
- Special Note: If you hit a line and there is no apparent leak at that location, it is still possible that there could be secondary damage away from the site, resulting in a leak. Damage to a line may not be readily apparent when a line is exposed or hit.