CITY OF MT PLEASANT

GAS SYSTEM NOTICE

Every day, natural gas pipelines safely carry one of the world's most reliable, efficient and environmentally friendly fuels to businesses, homes and neighborhoods. Preventing pipeline emergencies is important to your Gas System. We are part of this community and we are committed to delivering natural gas, safely, to our neighbors. As good neighbors do, you can help. Natural gas pipeline incidents are rare but you should know how to identify a natural gas leak. Here is how:





LOOK: Blowing dirt, bubbling water, dry spots in moist areas or dead plants surrounded by green plants may indicate a natural gas leak.



LISTEN: If you hear a hissing sound near a gas appliance or pipe; it may be a natural gas leak.



SMELL: Be aware of the distinctive, rotten egg – like smell of natural gas. You should take action if you detect even a small amount of this odor.

TAKE ACTION: If you suspect a natural gas leak, take the following actions:



LEAVE the area IMMEDIATELY: Don't try to find or stop the leak. **If you are inside your home or workplace:** Do <u>NOT</u> touch anything electrical before you leave. Do <u>NOT</u> use a telephone, not even a cell phone. Do <u>NOT</u> smoke. Do <u>NOT</u> turn appliances on or off. Do <u>NOT</u> operate any vehicle, equipment or anything that could create a spark.



Once you are out of the suspected area, call 911.



Don't break the law – call before you dig! Did you know that excavation work, including digging in your yard and plowing, is the most common cause of natural gas pipeline damage? Before beginning excavation of any kind, state law requires that you call Tennessee One Call at 811 so all utility lines can be marked by professionals prior to any digging. This is a free call and free marking, so don't break the law.