

Kechi Municipal Gas



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**220 W. Kechi Rd
Kechi, KS 67067
(316) 744-9287**

Protect Yourself

An informed public is an essential component of safe gas pipeline operations. If you suspect a leak or imminent danger--



What to Do:

- Turn off machinery or equipment in the immediate area
- Leave on foot and clear other people away from the area
- If there is a gas smell in an enclosed area, immediately leave and call from outside of the building
- Call the City of Kechi day or night: (316) 744-9287
- IF YOU FEEL THERE IS AN IMMINENT THREAT CALL 911



What NOT To Do:

- Do not light a cigarette or smoke in the area
- Do not start an engine of any kind or drive near the affected area
- Do not cause any friction that could produce a spark
- Do not turn lights on or off or use the telephone in the building
- Do not attempt to extinguish the burning gas

Responsibilities of the Gas Operator

Gas pipeline operations and maintenance activities are required to follow state and federal policies and procedures and established best practices. The City of Kechi rigidly performs a broad range of safety precautions including ground leak patrols, pipeline markers, gas sampling, preventative maintenance, emergency response teams and participation in the Kansas One Call System. In addition, the City of Kechi developed and implemented the following prevention programs and emergency preparedness plans:

- Public awareness program
- Communication and emergency items with county fire departments, police departments and surrounding cities.

Let's Talk...

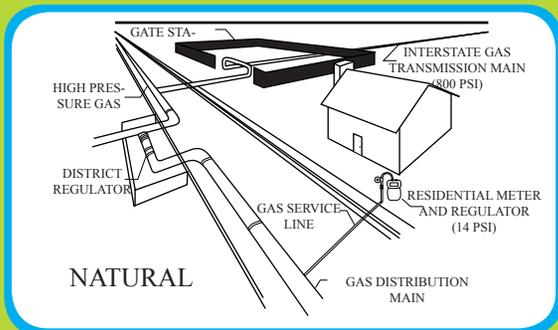
Natural Gas Pipeline safety



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Did you know?

There is an underground natural gas pipeline near you and, in most cases, there is a small service line in your yard.



The City of Kechi Gas Department is located at City Hall, 220 W. Kechi Rd. and operates about 14 miles of pipeline in the City. Pipeline markers containing emergency contact information indicate the presence of underground utilities, but may not be posted in many areas throughout the system. For pipeline location information, call your Kansas One-Call Center at 1-800-Dig Safe (1-800-344-7233) or the local Wichita number: (316) 687-2470

Pipelines are the safest method of transportation for natural gas.

According to the National Transportation Safety Board, pipelines are the safest mode of transportation. The City of Kechi Gas has been committed to meeting or exceeding all applicable local, state and federal gas pipeline safety regulations while providing safe and continuous service since 1958.

Most pipeline accidents occur when workers are unaware of the location of buried utilities.

Brightly colored yellow gas pipeline markers indicate buried utilities are nearby but they do not always indicate the exact location or depth of the pipeline. Markers are generally located at road, railway and river crossings and along fence lines and property boundaries. However, pipelines do not always run in a straight line and markers may not be present in certain areas. It is very important to CALL BEFORE YOU DIG.

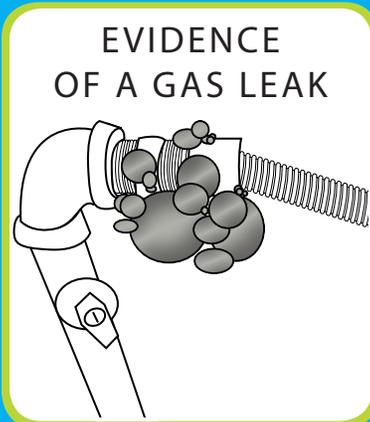
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Natural gas is odorless, colorless, and less dense than air. If released, natural gas will rise and diffuse with air rapidly. The “gas smell” most people associate with natural gas is an odorant added by local gas utilities to assist in leak detection.

If you suspect a leak, immediately leave the area on foot and call appropriate emergency contacts as outlined in this brochure.

How to recognize a Leak

- Use your senses of sight and smell to help recognize the situation.
- A “gas smell” (an odorant added to natural gas to assist in leak detection).
- Dust, water bubbles, or vegetation blowing in the air or around a pipeline.
- Discolored or dead vegetation near the pipeline.
- A shrill blowing or hissing sound.
- Bubbling in a wet area, marshland, river or creek.
- A dry spot in a moist field.
- Fire apparently coming from the ground or burning above ground.



Prevent accidental pipeline damage



Always contact the Kansas One-Call Service before digging, drilling, ditching, or construction work no matter how large or small the project. Wait for appropriate personnel to mark the specific location of the pipeline before cautiously proceeding.

Taking the time to mark underground pipelines before beginning your project could save you time and money by preventing costly, time-consuming accidents. 811 or kansasonecall.com or (316)687-2470

Accidents

If damage occurs to our pipeline, it is important that we are informed immediately for inspection, evacuation, and repairs as needed. Earthquakes, wash-out, lightening, drilling or blasting near a pipeline may cause unseen damage to a pipeline. Even a minor dent can cause deterioration of the protective coating and present a potential hazard.

