



IMPORTANT INFORMATION REGARDING URBANA UNIVERSITY NATURAL GAS PIPELINE FACILITIES

Urbana University natural gas pipeline facilities are located underground and above ground around property owned by Urbana University and provide natural gas to campus facilities. Urbana University follows a regular operation and maintenance program to make sure the natural gas pipeline facilities are safe and reliable.

Leaks can develop in the pipelines due to deterioration or outside forces. Urbana University's regular operation and maintenance program should address any deterioration of the facilities before they leak or become a problem. Pipeline leakage caused by outside forces (i.e., digging into an underground pipeline and damaging it) can be prevented by calling the Maintenance Department before you do any digging (i.e., planting flowers, installing tent posts, etc.) on campus.

Natural gas is treated with an odorant. If a leak does occur, you should be able to smell it. Be alert for the following "telltale" signs of a leak:

- A distinctive (gas) odor- rotten egg smell.
- A shrill blowing or hissing sound.
- Dirt being blown or thrown into the air.
- Bubbles coming from or water being blown into the air at a puddle, pond, creek or river.
- Fire apparently coming from the ground or burning above the ground.
- Patches of brown vegetation in grassy areas.
- Dry dirt spots in grassy areas.

If you suspect a gas leak inside or outside of your facility please do the following:

1. Notify Campus Safety at **(937) 484-1111**.
2. Avoid open flames or other ignition sources, including operating light switches and motor vehicles.
3. Evacuate the area.

Call Campus Safety any time you suspect there is an emergency with the natural gas pipeline facilities. If you have any questions or would like additional information regarding natural gas pipeline facilities at Urbana University, please call the Maintenance Department at (937) 484-1203.