



**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.

As operator of the Mountain Valley Pipeline (MVP), Equitrans Midstream has developed this document 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.

**EMERGENCY SERVICES ORGANIZATIONS**

The organizations invited to attend Mountain Valley Pipeline’s Emergency Services Overview meetings have been asked to complete an Emergency Response Report that includes public agency information, emergency information, and emergency response capabilities. This information provides Mountain Valley Pipeline, and Equitrans Midstream, as operator of MVP, with an understanding of the various agencies’ available resources, which may be needed to assist in the event of a pipeline emergency.

**RESPONSIBILITY OF EMERGENCY RESPONSE ORGANIZATIONS**

As operator of the Mountain Valley Pipeline, Equitrans Midstream may request assistance from emergency agencies in the event of a pipeline emergency. A few guidelines regarding what may be requested from agencies include:

**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.

**Emergency Services**

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

**EMERGENCY CONTACT:**

**1-833-929-1736**

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**VIRGINIA  
 COUNTIES OF OPERATION:**

Craig	Montgomery
Franklin	Pittsylvania
Giles	Roanoke

**WEST VIRGINIA  
 COUNTIES OF OPERATION:**

Fayette	Monroe
Greenbrier	Summers

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

**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.

**MOUNTAIN VALLEY PIPELINE EMERGENCY PLAN AND RESPONSE TO A NATURAL GAS PIPELINE EMERGENCY**

In the event of a natural gas pipeline emergency, Equitrans Midstream personnel, as operator of MVP, have been trained to perform the following actions, which are dependent upon 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**

Mountain Valley Pipeline's Emergency Services Overview meetings afford an opportunity for Equitrans Midstream,

as operator of MVP, to have an open dialogue with appropriate local officials, which includes discussing the necessary steps for engaging in mutual assistance to minimize hazards to life or property in the event of an emergency.

#### **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](http://www.npms.phmsa.dot.gov)

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