Public Awareness Plan

Statement of Support & Program Purpose

Public Awareness Policy and Statement of Support by Ownership/Management

This program has been developed to meet our overall goal of providing safe reliable service to our customer. Public awareness is part of our safety program to provide emergency responders, our customers and those living and working near our facilities with education on our natural gas system. This program encompasses the Bloomfield Municipal Gas System. Any newly acquired or constructed facilities will be covered under this plan upon completion of installation.

The Bloomfield Mayor and City Council supports these efforts at the highest levels and will provide the necessary time and resources and funding to promote awareness of our pipeline and facilities for ongoing safety of all stakeholders:

Signed:______________________________ Date:_________________

Program Purpose

Bloomfield owns a natural gas distribution system located in Davis County, Iowa. The complete description of the system can be found in Operations, Maintenance, and Emergency Manual.

The purpose of the Public Awareness Program is as follows:

1. To educate persons living or doing business near our pipeline and facilities on how our system operates and hazards that may result near or on our facilities, as well as how to recognize and respond to natural gas odors and unintended releases.
2. To educate excavators in our area on how to prevent third party damage and proper response should they cause damage to our facilities.
3. To educate the general public on the presence of natural gas facilities in our service area and explain their role in preventing third party damage.
4. To provide liaison with emergency forces that would be involved in the event of a natural gas emergency.
5. To educate the public on various safety issues including carbon monoxide, the one call system, natural gas properties, and other subjects deemed appropriate by the plan administrator.
6. To educate all stakeholders on the purpose and the reliability of our natural gas facilities.