

## DETECTING A LEAK

Leaks on pipelines are rare, but can occur. Because there are potential hazards associated with natural gas including fire or explosion, remember these safety tips:

### Signs of a natural gas pipeline leak include:

- Dead or discolored vegetation
- A hissing or roaring sound
- Dirt or debris blowing into the air
- Persistent bubbles in streams, ponds or wet areas
- Flames (if a leak has ignited)
- The smell of rotten eggs



Natural gas, in its natural state, is colorless and odorless. Because of this a harmless, non-toxic odorant is added to make it more readily detectable. These odorants produce a "gassy odor" that is usually described as a rotten egg smell.

**IF YOU SMELL  
ROTTEN EGGS  
IT COULD BE A  
NATURAL GAS LEAK**

### If you suspect a leak:

- Leave the area immediately and warn others to stay away.
- Do not use a phone or other device that could create a spark and ignite the gas.
- Call 1-888-609-9858 once you are safely away from the area.

## IN CASE OF EMERGENCY

If you or a contractor should accidentally come into contact with a gas pipeline or even the marker tape or tracer wire, please take IMMEDIATE action to protect the public and property, then call Patriots Energy Group who will dispatch qualified personnel. Take action to minimize hazards and cease all activity in the immediate area of the damaged utility until authorized by Patriots Energy Group.

**Patriots Energy Group 1-888-609-9858**



## NATURAL GAS

**Information you need to know about natural gas pipelines in your area**



### Patriots Energy Group

was established to benefit the customers of:

**York County Natural Gas Authority**  
ycnga.com

**Chester County Natural Gas Authority**  
chestergas.com

**Lancaster County Natural Gas Authority**  
lcngasc.com

**1-888-609-9858**  
**www.patriotsenergy.com**

## COMO IDENTIFICAR UN ESCAPE EN LA CAÑERÍA

Los escapes en las cañerías de transmisión de gas natural ocurren raramente. A pesar de los mejores esfuerzos para evitar escapes en la cañería, ellos pueden ocurrir. Signos de escapes a lo largo del paso derecho de la cañería, incluye:

- Vegetación muerta o descolorida
- Un silbido o sonido ruidoso
- Soplando suciedad o desperdicios al aire
- Persistentes burbujas en chorros, estanques o áreas mojadas
- Si se encienden llamas en el escape
- El olor a huevos padridos



## QUE HACER SI SE DETECTA O SE SOSPECHA DE UN ESCAPE

Si usted nota cualquiera de estas condiciones, deje el área inmediatamente y advierta a otros que no se acerquen.

1. Contacte con su Departamento Local de Bomberos (911) y, YCNGA al 1-866-201-1001. Por favor dé su nombre y número de teléfono, una descripción del escape y su localización.
2. Apague cualquier maquinaria o equipo y evite crear chispas.
3. No encienda un fósforo, ni ponga en marcha un motor, o prenda un interruptor eléctrico en al área.

# NATURAL GAS...

is all natural and inherently SAFE! Composed primarily of methane gas, natural gas is lighter than air, burns cleanly, and if released, rises and dissipates safely into the atmosphere.

Patriots Energy Group is committed to ensuring the safe, reliable and environmentally sound transmission of natural gas. More information on gas safety can be found at [patriotsenergy.com](http://patriotsenergy.com).

## RIGHT-OF-WAYS

A pipeline right-of-way is the strip of land over and around a pipeline. Right-of-ways are kept clear of obstructions to enable the gas company to safely operate, inspect, maintain and repair its pipelines. It's important that property owners not install any structures, store anything that could be an obstruction, or plant trees or shrubs along the right-of-way. Employees from Patriots Energy Group (PEG) must be able to access right-of-ways.

## PIPELINE MARKERS

Yellow pipeline markers are positioned along most pipeline routes, however there are pipelines located inside city streets or highway right-of-ways that are not marked. It's a federal crime to deface, damage, remove or destroy any pipeline sign or right-of-way marker. While the markers are very helpful to indicate the presence of pipelines in the area, they do not show the exact location, depth, or number of pipelines in the right of way. Don't rely solely on the presence or absence of a pipeline marker. Always call SC811 to have underground pipelines marked. It's a free service, and it's the law. Contact PEG at 1-888-609-9858 if you have any questions regarding a pipeline right-of-way.



# PIPELINE IDENTIFICATION

The leading cause of pipeline damage is external force that occurs during excavation activities. Most damage is preventable. Any digging project that requires a shovel, requires a call to SC811. Submitting a locate request to have underground utility lines marked is a free service to anyone doing large or small digging projects, and it's the law.

## HOW TO MAKE A REQUEST:

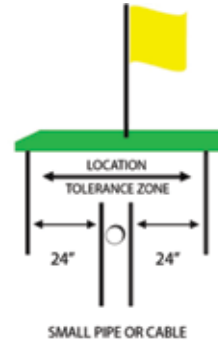
**BY PHONE** – Dial 811 or 888-721-7877

**GO ONLINE** – [www.SC811.com](http://www.SC811.com)

**GET THE MOBILE APP** →



SC811 is available to take your locate requests Monday through Friday, 7:30am to 5:30pm, excluding holidays, and is open 24/7 for emergencies. Once the request has been made, SC811 notifies the member facility operators who are responsible for having the lines located. Allow 3 FULL WORKING DAYS (not including the day of the call) before starting the proposed work. Once lines have been marked, dig carefully allowing a 24-inch tolerance zone on either side of the markings. Always hand dig to expose facilities in the tolerance zone.



## Survey Marking Guide

- Temporary Survey Markings
- Electric
- Natural Gas
- Phone/Cable
- Potable Water
- Reclaimed Water
- Sewer/Drainage
- Proposed Excavation

## WHAT DO THE COLORS MEAN?

Locators use uniform color codes to mark underground facilities. Each color used represents a different type of utility. The chart depicts what each color represents.

*Member utilities only mark the lines they install and maintain, which does not include privately owned lines. Private lines may include water and sewer services that a plumber installed, electric line that connects to a detached garage, workshop, sprinkler systems, pet fencing, etc.*

# PIPELINE LOCATION

Patriots Energy Group operates a natural gas transmission pipeline that traverses York, Lancaster, and Chester counties bringing cost effective and reliable energy to residential, commercial and industrial customers.

The Patriots Energy Group Pipeline is operated in accordance with U.S. Department of Transportation safety requirements by qualified professionals. The pipeline facilities undergo regularly scheduled comprehensive inspections to ensure safety. Pipelines continue to be one of the most reliable and safest modes of transportation in the United States.



Visit [www.npms.phmsa.dot.gov](http://www.npms.phmsa.dot.gov) for more information about the location of natural gas pipelines in your area.

## BE ALERT TO SUSPICIOUS ACTIVITY



Since you live and work in an area near our transmission and service lines, we encourage you to take an active role in helping us keep our pipelines safe. Besides being aware of signs of a gas leak or digging along pipeline right-of-ways, please be alert to suspicious individuals or activities around our pipelines and contact police. Our employees and contractors carry photo identification and will gladly show it upon request.