

# KEEPING YOUR COMMUNITIES SAFE



You received this postcard because you have been identified as a public official and there are Southern Star Central Gas Pipeline, Inc. ("Southern Star") pipelines in your jurisdiction.

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# PIPELINE MARKERS

- Indicates approximate location, but not exact location or depth.
- Can be found where lines meet at public access points, above-ground facilities, streets, highways, waterways, and railway intersections.
- Displays the pipeline operator name, emergency number, and product transported.

## **RECOGNIZING A PIPELINE LEAK**



#### SIGHT

Natural gas is colorless, but vapor and "ground frosting" may be visible at high pressures. A gas leak may also be indicated by bubbles in wet or flooded areas, distinct patches of dead vegetation, dust blowing from a hole in the ground, or flames if the leak is ignited.



#### SOUND

Volume can range from a quiet hissing to a loud roar depending on the size of the leak and pipeline system.



#### **SMELL**

An unusual smell or gaseous odor will sometimes accompany pipeline leaks. A sulfur or rotten egg like odorant called mercaptan is added to most residential area natural gas lines to aid in recognizing a leak. While the natural gas transported in transmission/gas gathering pipelines is often odorless, a leak may give off a hydrocarbon or petroleum smell.



# **DID YOU GET THE KEY TAKEAWAYS?**

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### **CALL 811**

You are required by law to contact 811, "Call Before You Dig", at least 48 hours prior to excavating. This will connect to your state's One Call Center. The One Call Center will then notify Southern Star and other pipeline utility operators in the area of your planned digging project. Once Southern Star has marked their facilities with paint and/or flags, a Southern Star representative must be on site prior to excavation.



# **UNIFORM UTILITY COLOR CODES**

This color code chart helps identify which utilities have marked their underground lines.

- WHITE Proposed excavation
- PINK Temporary survey markings
- RED Electric power lines, cables, conduit, and lighting cables
- YELLOW Gas, oil, steam, petroleum, or gaseous materials
- ORANGE -Communications, alarm or signal lines, cables, or conduit
- BLUE Potable water lines
- PURPLE Reclaimed water, irrigation, and slurry lines
- GREEN Sewer lines