Alliance Pipeline

Emergency Response Plan

Incident Prevention

Alliance Pipeline is dedicated to being the most safe, reliable and environmentally responsible transporter of natural gas in North America. Our goal is zero incidents.

We are regulated by federal agencies in both the U.S. and Canada that require us to demonstrate and document that the integrity of our pipeline is maintained at all times. This involves applying the latest technology to maintain our excellent record of pipeline safety and integrity. We carry out extensive, regular in-line inspections and above-ground surveys of our entire system.

From our gas control center, we continuously monitor the pipeline 24 hours per day, 365 days per year. This system allows us to remotely control our pipeline and quickly respond to any issues. In the unlikely event of an emergency, Alliance has a detailed Emergency Response Plan (ERP) to enable us to respond safely and effectively.

What is the Emergency Response Plan?

Alliance’s Emergency Response Plan (ERP) was created to minimize the impacts of any incident along our system, while meeting industry and regulatory standards. Types of emergency situations could include: a security breach, unauthorized excavation that damages our pipeline, or an unintended release of gas. Our ERP guides us in safely responding to an emergency.

Our ERP outlines specific steps critical to managing an emergency situation. It includes information about deploying emergency personnel, evacuation plans, access points, communications procedures and proven protocols.

What is the Incident Command System?

In responding to an incident, Alliance will implement the Incident Command System (ICS), which is an organizational structure for the command, control and coordination of an emergency response.

The ICS is an internationally-recognized system that provides a framework and outline for coordinated incident response between organizations and first responders. This system allows Alliance to work seamlessly with local first responders under a known structure of tactics and communications.

The ICS structure of shared knowledge helps ensure the safety of first responders and others and enables the most effective, efficient response.

For more information regarding the Incident Command System, please visit www.icscanada.ca. Learn more about the National Incident Management System (NIMS) at www.fema.gov.

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Managing a pipeline emergency

As pipeline operators who transport natural gas, we are always prepared to manage an incident. By regularly practicing our emergency response, in the unlikely event of an incident we can minimize impacts on the community and the environment.

Some of the actions we might take are:

- Work with local first responders to establish a safe perimeter around the site so that people are kept away from the incident. This could include evacuation or road blocks if necessary.
- Minimize the impact by isolating sections of the pipe by remote control, starting or stopping compressors, operating block valves, and adjusting the flow rates of our gas.

Exercises, drills and training

Alliance has one of the best safety and performance records in the natural gas transmission industry. Our employees are trained and prepared to act quickly in concert with local first responders, if there is an emergency on our pipeline system.

Alliance routinely conducts joint training exercises and drills to test our Emergency Response Plan. We participate in regular training with local first responders to understand process, share vital information and coordinate activities. In the event of an emergency we will be ready to respond effectively together.

For people living near the Alliance Pipeline

Alliance strives to build and maintain positive relationships with people who live and work along our pipeline system. One of the ways you can help us reduce the potential of an incident is by observing the safety precautions above.

For more information about any of our operations, please visit our website at www.alliancepipeline.com or contact your local Alliance office.