

Excess Flow Valve Installation Notice

An Excess Flow Valve or EFV is a buried, safety shut off device installed on the natural gas service line as near as possible to the point it connects to the main. It is designed to shut off the flow of natural gas automatically if the line breaks. In the event the automatic shut off valve activates it will only allow a small amount of gas to pass.

Some of the Safety Benefits of an EFV are:

- If the service line breaks it reduces the risk of dangers associated with the uncontrolled escape of natural gas.
- If the service line breaks it reduces the amount of natural gas escaping into the atmosphere.
- It improves safety to the public, property and those responding to a broken service line.

The EFV does not protect against small gas leaks on underground piping, small leaks at the gas meter or inside leaks on customer piping or appliances. If a gas leak of any kind is suspected, you should leave the area immediately, and report the leak by calling **888-468-2828 and 911**.

EFV's were placed on all single family residential services that were installed or replaced after February 12, 2010, and on some services installed prior to that date. Going forward SEC will be placing an EFV (or manual buried shut off valve on larger customers) on:

- New gas service installations
- In the rare circumstance on Service lines that are being replaced

A customer of a regulated Natural Gas Utility whose gas load does not exceed 1,000 standard cubic feet per hour has the right to request the installation of an EFV at a mutually agreeable date. The minimum charge to install the EFV is \$600. Additional installation charges may apply. Additional costs for maintaining and replacing the EFV will also be the responsibility of the customer. If you wish to have an EFV installed on the service line to your building or residence, please contact Superior Energy Company at 231-362-2520.



Call Before You Dig

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