

May 25, 2017

To: Local Officials, Emergency Responders, and Residents

On Saturday, June 10, 2017 Iroquois will be performing work on its pipeline in the vicinity of Casler Road in Minden, NY. In order to perform this work safely, Iroquois must isolate and empty a section of its pipeline by conducting a controlled release, or venting, so that no gas is present in the line while the work is being done. In order to reduce the duration of the vent, it will occur simultaneously at the following Iroquois Mainline Valve facility locations:

- E. Bidleman Road, Manheim, NY
- Aird Road, Minden, NY

At approximately **8:00 a.m. on Saturday, June 10th**, Iroquois will begin the venting activity. The venting will be done at high pressure in order to clear the line quickly and safely. Anyone near either of these two locations may hear loud noise during the vent. While the planned work activity will continue throughout the day, the vent is expected to take approximately one hour.

Natural gas is naturally lighter than air and odorless. It will quickly rise and dissipate into the atmosphere. After the gas has been released, air movers will be used to draw any remaining gas out of the line prior to starting the work.

Once the planned work has been completed, the pipeline will be purged of air and refilled with natural gas. The purging process, which will be performed at the Aird Road facility, is expected to occur late in the evening. There will be some noise from the purge operation in the immediate vicinity for a short duration.

Iroquois will make every effort to minimize the impact and any potential inconvenience this work may cause, while making safety our number one priority. Our representatives will be on site during these venting activities, which will be conducted in accordance with all applicable federal and state regulations. This work will not affect any local gas distribution service.

This notice is intended to inform you of our activities as part of our public awareness program. In the event of postponement or schedule change, updated information will be available on our website at www.iroquois.com/iroquois-gas-safety.asp. Please call Iroquois' non-emergency hotline at 1-800-253-5152 if you have any questions regarding this activity. If you have a safety concern during the vent activity, please call Iroquois' Gas Control Center at 1-800-888-3982.