



CenterPoint Energy performing natural gas pipeline upgrades in Kettering

Multi-year program continues to modernize, strengthen infrastructure throughout state

Kettering, Ohio – April 1, 2022 - Contract crews working for CenterPoint Energy are replacing natural gas mains and service lines in Kettering as part of the company's pipeline replacement program, a multi-year program to replace approximately 700 miles of bare steel and cast-iron pipeline infrastructure throughout Ohio. In Kettering, nearly \$2.5 million will go toward retiring nearly four miles of gas main and approximately 190 service lines in 2022. Since 2009, more than 33 miles have been retired within the city. CenterPoint Energy intends to retire a total of more than 50 miles in Kettering through the end of the pipeline replacement program.

"CenterPoint Energy remains committed to safely and reliably delivering natural gas service to our customers in Ohio by continuing to invest in our infrastructure," said Ashley Babcock, Vice President, Indiana and Ohio Gas. "Our pipeline replacement program helps us strengthen our system in compliance with applicable requirements."

Customers can visit www.centerpointenergy.com/pipelineremplacement to view an interactive map displaying all streets in Kettering where construction associated with natural gas pipeline upgrades will take place in 2022. In most cases, a polyethylene (plastic) system is being installed to replace the current bare steel and cast-iron gas pipeline system. First, the gas main will be replaced within the right-of-way, and then the service lines running directly to homes and businesses will be replaced. Upon completion of the project, affected yards, sidewalks and streets will be restored.

"Construction for these pipeline projects can take several weeks to complete, and times may vary based on the size of the project, weather and other situations that may arise," said Babcock. "CenterPoint Energy and its contractors will make every effort to complete each project as quickly as possible and minimize impact to customers and the community."

Prior to service replacement, a CenterPoint Energy representative will contact customers to provide an overview of the required work. CenterPoint Energy reminds Kettering residents to please exercise caution when driving through the construction zones. Residents and their children are urged to keep a safe distance away from any work zones.

Kettering is one of more than 40 cities in Ohio undergoing this type of pipeline replacement. Since 2009, more than 620 miles have been retired in Ohio, which has led to a reduction in leak calls and natural gas emissions from the distribution system. For more information about CenterPoint Energy's gas infrastructure modernization program in Ohio, visit www.centerpointenergy.com/pipelineremplacement.

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