

CITY of NEW SUMMERFIELD

GAS

EXCESS FLOW VALVE NOTIFICATION:

You may request that the City of New Summerfield install an excess flow valve (EFV) on the gas service line to your property. EFV are mechanical shut-off devices that can be installed in the gas service line running to the gas meter on your property. An EFV is designed to shut off the flow of natural gas automatically if the service line breaks, (Example: by an excavation accident, or accidental meter damage). Stopping the flow of natural gas from a broken service line significantly reduces the risk of natural gas fires, explosion, personal injury, and/or property damage. **EFV's are not designed to close if a leak occurs beyond the gas meter (on the house piping or appliances). EFV's also may not close if the leak on the service line is small. If you add additional gas appliances, (example: pool heaters, emergency generators, etc.). The additional gas flow may cause the EFV to close and shut gas off to the meter.** If you notify the City of New Summerfield that you want an EFV installed on your service line the City of New Summerfield will contact you and set up a mutually agreeable date and time to meet and discuss installation.

You will be billed for the cost of installing the EFV. The average installation cost is typically [\$500 - \$1,000], but the actual installation cost will depend on the difficulty of installation. We will inform you of the actual cost before you make the final decision that you want the EFV.

If it becomes necessary to maintain or replace the EFV on your service line you will be billed for the cost of replacing the EFV. Replacing an EFV can cost from [\$500-\$1,000], but the actual replacement cost will depend on the difficulty of replacement.

What may trigger need to replace:

EFV replacement may be necessary if you add additional gas appliances, such as pool heater or emergency generators that exceed the capacity of the EFV, if the EFV malfunctions (stick open or closed). Industry experience is that EFVs rarely malfunction.

EFVs cannot be installed on some service lines due to high gas flow, low pressure or other factors. If you request an EFV we will inform you if your service line cannot accommodate an EFV. EFV will not be installed on your service line if: The service line does not operate at a pressure of 10 psig or greater throughout the year; The EFV could interfere with proper operation or cause loss of service; An EFV could interfere with necessary operations or maintenance activities; or The capacity of the meter on the service line exceeds 1,000* cubic feet per hour. If you request an EFV we will inform you if your service line meets any of these conditions.

Call 811 before digging

For your safety always call 811 to have gas lines and other buried utilities marked before allowing anyone to dig in your yard.