

FEDERAL SAFETY REGULATION – EXCESS FLOW VALVE

APPLICATION FOR GAS SERVICE LINE

The Federal Department of Transportation is now enforcing a new safety regulation pertaining to “EXCESS FLOW VALVES.” Accordingly, we are required to notify customers on new or replaced gas service lines of mandatory installation of an excess flow valve that meets minimum Federal performance requirements.

WHAT IS AN EXCESS FLOW VALVE?

An excess flow valve is a device designed to restrict gas flow in a customer’s natural gas service line by automatically closing in the event that a service line is broken, completely cut, torn apart or otherwise separated, usually caused by some type of excavation or digging. Restricting gas flow after a gas service line is damaged may decrease the potential for property damage and/or injury.