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### Excess Flow Valve for Natural Gas Service

A new pipeline safety rule taking effect on April 14, 2017, states that your natural gas supplier, Macon Municipal Utilities, must offer you an excess flow valve (EFV).

The purpose of the EFV device is to shut off the flow of gas should the service line be cut or severed to prevent a possible dangerous situation. They are NOT designed to shut off the flow of gas if a line at the connection of a gas appliance in a residence or in the piping system on the customer's side of the gas meter should develop a leak.

These valves are intended to respond to line ruptures between the main line and the service connection at the gas meter. EFVs do not prevent accidents. Instead, they help alleviate the consequences of accidents where there has been a substantial line break.

If you would like to have an EFV installed on the gas service at your property, the cost is currently \$225.00. If you would like to speak with our operations staff personnel you may call Keith Carter at (660) 385-2183 during normal business hours, Monday through Friday 8:00 am to 5:00 pm.