## **City of Martinsville Gas Department**

## Phone: 217-382-4323

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## Dear Customer;

The Pipeline and Hazardous Materials Safety Administration has issued a new regulation that requires The City of Martinsville to offer an Excess Flow Valve (EFV) to its customers. An Excess Flow Valve (EFV) is an extra safety device that can be installed in a service line providing natural gas to the meter. The main purpose of an EFV is to reduce the risk of a release of natural gas caused by excavation damage to the service line between the point of connection to the main and gas meter. An EFV will not prevent or stop a leak that might occur downstream of the meter. Not every service can accommodate an EFV.

The installation of an EFV is not a requirement for existing natural gas service lines, however, at the request of a City of Martinsville gas customer one may be installed. The installation of an EFV would take one day and would require the excavation of the service line at the connection to the main line. If you would like an EFV installed on your line, the cost you must pay is \$750. This includes labor, equipment and materials but does not include restoration of grounds disturbed by excavation. It is not likely but possible that future maintenance or replacement of the EFV might be necessary and could result in additional charges.

If you would like to have an EFV installed or have any questions please call City Hall at 217-382-4323

Sincerely,

The City of Martinsville Gas Department