EMERGENCY CONTACTS
FOR
GAS WELL DRILLING CONTAMINATION INCIDENTS

- Fire
- Illegal discharging into streams or other surface waterways or illegal taking of surface waters (from streams, ponds, etc.)
- Unusual activities at the drilling site, i.e. spills, runoff into fields/waterways, fumes, physical illness/reactions by humans in the area, etc.
- Changes in your water supply (quality or quantity)
- Earthquakes
- Burglary or trespass
- Unusual illnesses or physical problems

If any of the above occurs at a drilling site immediately contact the following and:
- Take a photo
- Each truck has a square or diamond-shaped sign w/an identification number. Photograph this number or write it down. (The number indicates the type of waste being hauled by the truck.)
- If possible (safe) obtain ID numbers and company info from well storage tanks. If an emergency situation exists, you should NOT get near the storage tanks for your own safety. Call 911
- Ask EPA and ODNR to notify you when an inspector comes to the site.
- Ask them to test the stream and nearby soil immediately
- Observe and, if possible, videotape the testing
- Ask for a copy of the report as soon as it is available
- **Document, document, document!**

Fire – Call your local 911  Get a complete written report from them.
Police – Call your local 911  Get a complete written report from them.

**Health Department** – contact your county health department if you experience any unusual physical symptoms from fumes or water contamination. Also see your primary care physician immediately. **Portage County 330-296-9919**

**EPA “Eyes on Drilling” Tipline 1-877-919-4EPA (toll free)**. Call here first to report illegal disposal of wastes or other suspicious activity. Also email them your complete information at eyesondrilling@epa.gov All reports can be anonymous.

**Ohio EPA**  
Northeast 800-686-6330  
Southeast 800-686-7330

**OH DEPT OF NATURAL RESOURCES, Minerals Division** (614) 265-6633 or Eugene Chini (Supervisor of Portage County Inspectors) at 330- 284-2942(cell) or 330-896-0616 (office). They must respond within 24 hours. Be sure to tell them you are filing a **Formal Complaint**. Ask for a copy of your complaint. You can also find your regional office at this web site:
[https://www.dnr.state.oh.us/mineral/inspectors/tabid/10355/default.aspx](https://www.dnr.state.oh.us/mineral/inspectors/tabid/10355/default.aspx)

The ODNR has an online survey you must complete so they can determine if verbal notification is required. “If you do have to report, you will receive a list of names and contact information for the organizations that you may be required to contact. Verbal notifications are required within 30 minutes of knowledge of the release unless notification within that time frame is impractical due to uncertain circumstances.” (ODNR web site.)
[http://74.218.58.211/oil/report/](http://74.218.58.211/oil/report/)

**National Reponse Center** – 1-800-424-8802  24 hr federal communication center to report any spill or other environmental emergency that poses a sudden threat to the public.

**PUCO** – 800-686-7826 or 614-466-3292. Public Utilities Commission responsible for pipelines, etc. Contact local utility company after hours.

**US Geological Survey** – 303-273-8500 to report **earthquake** or online at [www.usgs.gov](http://www.usgs.gov)

Emergency contacts 9_4_2012.docx