



Pipeline Safety Fact Sheet: Mississippi

The federal government establishes minimum pipeline safety standards (under Title 49 CFR Part 190 – 199) and has overall regulatory responsibility for all hazardous liquid and gas pipelines in the United States. Pipelines are regulated by the Office of Pipeline Safety, within the Research and Special Programs Administration of the Department of Transportation. Pertinent regulations can be found at <http://ops.dot.gov/>.

The Office of Pipeline Safety (OPS) is headquartered in Washington, DC, and supported through five regional offices located in Denver, Houston, Kansas City, Atlanta and Washington, DC. OPS Regional Directors, Pipeline Inspectors, State Liaisons, and Community Assistance and Technical Services (CATS) managers operate from each of the five OPS regional offices.

CATS managers are available to assist the public, the media and state or local officials with inquiries concerning pipeline safety-related issues.

OPS inspects, regulates and enforces interstate Natural Gas and Hazardous Liquid pipeline safety requirements in Mississippi.

Through certification by OPS, the state of Mississippi regulates, inspects, and enforces intrastate Natural Gas and Hazardous Liquid pipeline safety requirements. This work is performed by Mississippi Public Service Commission.

Mississippi state regulations can be found at <http://www.psc.state.ms.us/pipeline/pipeline.htm>

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