

Metropolitan Utilities District of Omaha

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Background

The Metropolitan Utilities District is the natural gas and water utility for the City of Omaha Nebraska and surrounding areas. The District was founded by the Nebraska Legislature and is governed by seven directors elected by our customer owners. We serve natural gas to approximately 225,000 customers and water to approximately 208,000 customers in the Omaha area.

Historical Highlights

Mains

In 2008, the District began the process of replacing our aging low pressure system that is comprised mostly of cast iron pipe. The age of the system goes back to the year 1880 when a private utility sold manufactured gas in Omaha. The last cast iron pipe was installed in 1960s. At the start of this project, the District had approximately 580 miles of cast iron pipe in the distribution system.



Services

As part of the process of replacing old cast iron distribution mains, we are also simultaneously replacing the unprotected steel services to each customer. These services are just as old as the mains. The new mains currently being installed are operated at a higher pressure, so we are moving all meters from inside the customer's building to outside to prevent any high pressure gas from getting released into the building.



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