

SAFE WORK PRACTICE

TITLE	Purging Pipelines
GENERAL	Protecting workers from injuries associated with purging of pipelines
APPLICATION	When the substance in the pipeline may be harmful to the workers or the environment and the release of that substance cannot be controlled, then the pipeline must be purged prior to undertaking any task.
PROTECTIVE MECHANISMS	Safe work procedure PPE Lockout procedure Blinding procedure Hazardous waste disposal procedure MSDS WHMIS ERP (Emergency Response Plan)
SELECTION AND USE	As per safe work procedure
SUPERVISOR RESPONSIBILITY	Supervisors are responsible to facilitate and/or provide proper instruction to their workers on protection requirements and training Work site inspection
WORKER RESPONSIBILITY	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Ensure pig is in good condition and proper size. 2. Check for H₂S gas before recovering pig. 3. Ensure block valve on pig receiver is closed, then bleed off line pressure before checking pig. 4. Ensure working pressure of line is not exceeded. 5. Ensure pig is in good condition on recovery. 6. Ensure fluid is properly contained and disposed of according to regulations.
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