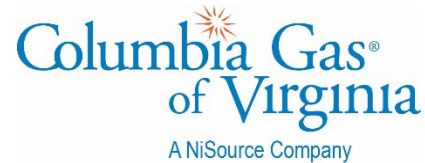


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Media Statement from Columbia Gas of Virginia regarding odor of natural gas reports in Warrenton and Fauquier County:

Columbia Gas of Virginia continues to coordinate with the town of Warrenton and the Fauquier County Fire and Rescue System, as we make significant progress on restoring natural gas service to customers whose service was interrupted over the past few days. As of this morning, we have responded to approximately 98 percent of calls received.

Columbia Gas crews are performing safety checks, and relighting natural gas appliances for all affected customers. If you don't have natural gas service and have not reported the outage to us, please contact us to let us know.

For customers who are not home at the time when our technicians arrive to assist, door hangers will be left informing them of the outage and requesting they call Columbia Gas at 1-800-543-8911 for a service technician to be dispatched to restore service to their homes or businesses.

We also continue to monitor our natural gas systems and are leveraging advanced leak detection technology that allows us to identify and prioritize any potential leaks on our natural gas delivery system more quickly and efficiently.

We are committed to the safety of the community and will continue to work with our local partners throughout this process and beyond.

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