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Tomball's Gas System Rated "Excellent"

Tomball's Municipal Gas System received an "excellent" rating from the Texas Municipal League's Intergovernmental Risk Pool (TML-IGRP.) Tomball received a rating of 97% out of 100%, maintaining its "excellent" rating held since 1995.

Each year the TML-IGRP Gas Utility Survey Program reviews Texas gas systems and rates them accordingly. Gas systems are scored and rated not only against the standard requirements established by the State, but also against other gas systems. The City's high rating was accomplished by maintaining a proactive preventive maintenance program. Tomball has not only maintained an "excellent" system, but has continued to improve. In 2009 the City lessened its unaccounted gas to 0.16%, which is 1% lower than 2008.

David Kauffman, Director of Public Works for the City of Tomball stated, "The effectiveness of this operation is another prime example of the commitment that our staff continues to demonstrate toward providing reliable, quality, safe, and efficient service to our customers." Kauffman also acknowledged John Escamilla, Toby Wedgman, and the entire utility team for this accomplishment, stating that he feels "exceedingly confident knowing that these guys are managing the natural gas system for the community."

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