

199—13.4(479B) Notice of hearing.

13.4(1) When a proper petition for permit is received by the board, it shall be docketed for hearing and the petitioner shall be advised of the time and place of hearing, except as provided for in rule 13.8(479B). Petitioner shall also be furnished copies of the official notice of hearing which petitioner shall cause to be published once each week for two consecutive weeks in a newspaper of general circulation in each county in or through which construction is proposed. The second publication shall be not less than 10 nor more than 30 days prior to the date of the hearing. Proof of publication shall be filed prior to or at the hearing.

The published notice shall include a map showing either the pipeline route or the area affected by underground gas storage, or a telephone number and an address through which interested persons can obtain a copy of a map from petitioner at no charge. If a map other than that filed as Exhibit B will be published or provided, a copy shall be filed with the petition.

13.4(2) If a petition for permit seeks the right of eminent domain, petitioner shall, in addition to the published notice of hearing, serve a copy of the notice of hearing to the owners and parties in possession of lands over which eminent domain is sought. A copy of the Exhibit H filed with the board for the affected property shall accompany the notice. Service shall be by certified United States mail, return receipt requested, addressed to their last-known address; and this notice shall be mailed not later than the first day of publication of the official notice of hearing on the petition. Not less than five days prior to the date of the hearing, the petitioner shall file with the board a certificate of service showing all addresses to which notice was sent by certified mail and the date of the mailing.

13.4(3) If a petition does not seek the right of eminent domain, but all required interests in private property have not yet been obtained, a copy of the notice of hearing shall be served upon the owners and parties in possession of those lands. Service shall be by ordinary mail, addressed to the last-known address, mailed not later than the first day of publication of the official notice. A copy of each letter of notification, or one copy of the letter accompanied by a written statement listing all parties to which it was mailed and the date of mailing, shall be filed with the board not less than five days prior to the hearing.