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CASE STUDY
FROM RISK TO REUSE

The removal of asbestos from pipe once recovered has become a process that is strictly regulated, and it is a vital step to reintroduce the pipe into the market.

Once the pipe has been stripped of the asbestos-containing materials, it can be re-sold for a variety of uses.

That is why it is pivotal to have experts committed to removing asbestos in a safe and viable way. CPI has purchased and safely removed over 2,000 miles of pipe with ACM coatings over 30 years.

Managing the Risks of Asbestos Stripping

Asbestos-containing materials are widely regulated and classified as a known human carcinogen. Exposure to asbestos is linked to asbestosis, lung cancer, pleural disease, and mesothelioma. A majority of pipe installed prior to 1980 is ACM-coated, as that was a common practice. Because of the extensive use of ACM-coated pipe, if a pre-1980 pipeline is removed, it must undergo asbestos stripping before it can be re-sold and re-used.

However, with how dangerous it can be to interact with ACM, this process must be highly regulated and facilitated under strict regulations. The EPA has prohibited the use of asbestos in most situations, and in April 2019, released a significant new use rule concerning the restrictions of discontinued uses of asbestos. This rule stated that users cannot return prohibited discontinued uses to the marketplace. Employers and stakeholders are expected to be held accountable for not adequately addressing EPA regulations in the removal procedure, which is why it is vital for pipe with ACM to be properly managed when it is removed. When removing asbestos from pipe, it is important to understand the liability associated with dealing with the material and have a trusted service provider throughout the process.

Elevating Safety Through CPI's Process

With over 40 years of experience, CPI understands the risks associated with ACM and guarantees safe removal through the use of effective procedures. Our procedures for removing ACM coating includes maintaining disposal manifests and air monitoring reports after completion for review by gas companies upon request. Our team works to ensure our processes achieve the removal of the pipe in the most safe and efficient way. CPI's own in-house certified trained ACM inspectors work with a local state asbestos disposal company to properly contain and dispose of the ACM at the end of the removal process.

CPI is the only pipe ACM contractor that encourages environmental health safety groups to audit and review our processes, whenever they need to. With years of experience and knowledge, our team has developed processes that protect workers and the environment throughout the project duration. Our safety and health philosophy is that accident prevention must be of the utmost importance in all phases of operation, resulting in CPI not having an accident claim in more than 20 years. In fact, we have already been evaluated by major clients and have achieved satisfactory results with our procedures. We continuously strive to demonstrate that you can depend on us.

CPI's Expertise and Commitment to Safety

As the leading asbestos removal company, CPI ensures the safe reintegration of asbestos-stripped pipe back into the marketplace. With over 40 years of experience, CPI has gained extensive knowledge and implemented effective processes for asbestos removal, using this expertise to ensure safe practices.

Learn More

If you are in need of ACM-coated pipe removal, we are committed to helping you with our wide range of expertise and experience. Contact us today for more information: (405) 350-8555.

