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# NATURAL GAS SAFETY

Keep your natural gas meter clear of snow and ice.



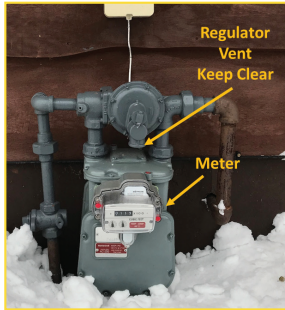
Heavy snow, fluctuating temperatures and ice accumulation can create potentially dangerous conditions for natural gas meters. To protect you and your family and to prevent service interruptions, we urge all customers to check their gas meter and clear it of any snow and ice.



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Your meter's regulator maintains a constant pressure, ensures safe delivery of natural gas and vents natural gas safely to the atmosphere. Snow and ice can block the regulator vent and cause improper operation. Dangerous conditions, including natural gas buildup in homes and businesses, can occur when snow or ice block the meter's regulator vent.

## WE URGE ALL CUSTOMERS TO DO THE FOLLOWING:



- 🔥 **Maintain a clear path to your meter.** Snow removal and a clear path to natural gas equipment is the responsibility of the property owner. Be careful when shoveling around the meter, and avoid using a snow blower near a meter.
- 🔥 **Clear snow and ice** using a broom or your hand around the piping and on top of the meter assembly.
- 🔥 **Check your meter regularly**, especially if it is exposed to melting snow, ice or freezing rain.
- 🔥 **Contact SWL&P** if you are concerned your meter's regulator vent may be blocked.

## IF YOU SMELL, HEAR OR SEE A NATURAL GAS LEAK AT ANY TIME:

Leave your residence immediately

Report the odor to SWL&P  
1-800-227-7957 or call 911

Do not use anything that could cause a spark  
Including electric switches, landlines and cellphones