



Always **Call**
before you **Dig**



Call 811 Before You Dig

EXCAVATION SAFETY - KNOW WHAT'S BELOW:

Excavation is a leading cause of utility damage. To minimize this hazard, the most important thing you can do is Call 811 before you perform any digging work, even if it is something as simple as planting a tree in your yard. This will allow the local utilities to come and mark the location of any underground lines so that you can avoid damaging them when you dig.

- **Be sure to call at least three (3) business days before digging** and provide the requested information to the 811 operator.
- If you have hired a professional to excavate on your property, be sure they have also contacted 811 before they begin digging.

For more information visit
www.call811.com or
www.holnaturalgas.com.

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Call your local utility for 24-hour emergency response.

- 1** City of Duluth
ComfortSystems
PO Box 169001
Duluth MN 55816-9001
218-730-4100
comfortsystemsduluth.com
- 2** Hibbing Public Utilities
1902 6th Avenue East
Hibbing MN 55746
218-262-7725
hpuc.com
- 3** Superior Water, Light & Power Co.
PO Box 519
Superior WI 54880
715-394-2200
swlp.com
- 4** Two Harbors Public Utilities
522 First Avenue
Two Harbors MN 55616
218-834-5631 | Direct: 218-834-8812
twoharborsmn.gov/work
- 5** Virginia Public Utilities
618 2nd Street South
Virginia MN 55792
218-748-7540
vpuc.com



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STAY SAFE
Around Gas Pipelines



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PIPELINE SAFETY
A Shared Responsibility

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Smell Gas? Act Fast!

YOU are the first line of defense when it comes to gas leak detection and we odorize natural gas with Mercaptan – which smells similar to rotten eggs – so that it's easy to smell if there is a gas leak. Remember, If you detect a gas leak, take action immediately.



SIGNS OF A GAS LEAK:

- Hissing noises
- Unusual odor indoors or near the pipeline
- Bubbling in wet or flooded areas
- Dirt being blown into the air
- Dead or discolored vegetation near an underground pipeline
- Abnormally dry or hardened soil
- Fire or explosion involving pipeline facilities

WHAT TO DO IF YOU SUSPECT A LEAK:

- **Leave the building immediately and take others with you. If you are outside when you smell the gas, leave the area immediately.**
- Remember, **ANY** electrical device can cause a spark and possible explosion - when in doubt just get out and...
 - Do not light a match or smoke
 - Do not use a cell phone or landline phone
 - Do not turn appliances or lights on or off
 - Do not use a flashlight
 - Do not use a garage door opener
 - Do not start a car
- **Find a phone away from the area and call 911 or your natural gas utility. Always call to report the problem.** Do not assume someone else will do it. You can also report leaks anonymously.
- **Once help arrives, follow directions from utility employees or emergency responders who are on site.**

CAUTION
GAS PIPELINE

IN THIS VICINITY
S.W.L.&P. CO.
715-394-2300
FOR LOCATION CALL:
TOLL FREE
1-800-242-8511

