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IMPORTANT NOTICE TO CUSTOMERS REGARDING
BURIED NATURAL GAS PIPING

This notice is being provided in accordance with Rule 49 CFR 192.16 of the United States Department of Transportation ("DOT Rule").

In accordance with the "DOT Rule" listed above, the gas utility is hereby giving notice to all customers who have buried natural gas piping, which is not maintained by the gas utility, of the following information:

1. If the customer's buried piping is not maintained, it may be subject to the potential hazards of corrosion and leakage.
2. Buried Gas piping should be:
    A. Periodically inspected for leaks
    B. Periodically inspected for corrosion if the piping is metallic, and
    C. Repaired if any unsafe conditions are discovered.
3. When excavating near buried gas piping, the piping should be located in advance and the excavation done by hand.

Plumbers and heating contractors can assist in locating, inspecting and repairing the customer's buried piping.

For your guidance in determining whether this notice applies to you, please be informed that in most cases the Gas Utility maintains buried gas piping from the processing facility up to the gas meter on the customer's premises. In addition, if the piping leaving the meter up to the principal gas utilization equipment is above ground when entering the customer's premises, this rule does not apply. However, any customer that has any gas lines (secondary lines) that branch off of the principal gas line and goes underground, such as a garage, BBQ grill, pool, etc., the above listed precautions should be noted. If you are uncertain as to whether this notice applies to you, please contact the Gas Department at 219-866-5206.

Sincerely,

Todd Wilson
Gas Superintendent
City of Rensselaer