

**PROPOSED REGULATION OF THE
PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF NEVADA**

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Explanation - Matter in *bold underline italic* is new; matter in brackets ~~omitted material~~ is material to be omitted

Section 1. Chapter 455 of the NAC is hereby amended by adding thereto the provision set forth as section 2 of this regulation.

Sec. 2. *1. If a person causes or observes any potential damage, including, without limitation, a scratch, kink, stretch mark or any other unusual condition, to a subsurface while using hand tools, the person shall:*

- (a) Cease work in the area around the subsurface installation;*
- (b) If the damage to the subsurface installation has caused the release of any gas or hazardous liquid, promptly report the release to the appropriate emergency response agencies by calling telephone emergency 911 services;*
- (c) Inform the operator of the subsurface installation of the potential damage;*
- (d) Not backfill the area around the subsurface installation until the operator of the subsurface installation has had a reasonable amount of time to inspect, maintain and repair the subsurface installation.*

2. As used in this section:

- (a) "Gas" means natural gas, other flammable gas or gas which is toxic or corrosive.*
- (b) "Hazardous liquid" means a liquid that is flammable or toxic, including, without limitation, petroleum, any petroleum product, anhydrous ammonia, ethanol and liquefied natural gas.*
- (c) "Liquefied natural gas" means natural gas or synthetic gas having methane (CH₄) as its major constituent which has been changed to a liquid.*
- (d) "Petroleum" means crude oil, condensate, natural gasoline, natural gas liquids and liquefied petroleum gas.*
- (e) "Petroleum product" means flammable, toxic or corrosive products obtained from distilling and processing of crude oil, unfinished oils, natural gas liquids, blend stocks and other miscellaneous hydrocarbon compounds.*