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2.1 an operator shall locate and mark or otherwise provide the approximate horizontal location  
2.2 of the underground facilities of the operator, without cost to the land surveyor.

2.3 (c) For the purpose of this section, the approximate horizontal location of the  
2.4 underground facilities is a strip of land two feet on either side of the underground facilities.

2.5 (d) Markers used to designate the approximate location of underground facilities  
2.6 must follow the current color code standard used by the American Public Works  
2.7 Association.

2.8 (e) If the operator cannot complete marking of the excavation or boundary survey  
2.9 area before the excavation or boundary survey start time stated in the notice, the operator  
2.10 shall promptly contact the excavator or land surveyor.

2.11 (f) After December 31, 1998, operators shall maintain maps, drawings, diagrams, or  
2.12 other records of any underground facility abandoned or out-of-service after December  
2.13 31, 1998.

2.14 (g) An operator or other person providing information pursuant to this subdivision  
2.15 is not responsible to any person, for any costs, claims, or damages for information  
2.16 provided in good faith regarding abandoned, out-of-service, or private or customer-owned  
2.17 underground facilities, except as provided in paragraph (h).

2.18 (h) An operator of a natural gas, propane, or electric facility shall locate, mark, and  
2.19 otherwise provide the approximate horizontal location of a customer-owned service lateral  
2.20 underground facility whether located in the public right-of-way or in private property. The  
2.21 operator shall not charge a fee to the owner of the service lateral for locating and marking.