



# **IMPORTANT INFORMATION**

## **about digging safely .....**



**Know what's below.**  
**Call before you dig.**  
[www.al811.com](http://www.al811.com)

Este artículo contiene información muy importante acerca de las medidas de seguridad para el gas. Favor de conseguir a alguien que le pueda leer este artículo.

**Underground lines for **Natural Gas, Water, Electricity** and other utilities are buried in your yard. Wherever you dig you run a chance of **damaging your utilities** or even causing a **death or serious injury.****

Call Alabama 811 (dial 811 or 800-292-8525) at least two business days **BEFORE** you start digging.

Alabama 811 coordinates with Huntsville Utilities to mark the location of buried gas and other utility lines **free of charge**. Once all lines are marked, **carefully use only hand tools when digging within 18 inches** of the marked lines.

Natural gas is a colorless, odorless gas that is lighter than air. Huntsville Utilities adds mercaptan to give it an odor similar to rotten eggs. If you smell gas:

- ❖ If possible, eliminate any source of ignition.
- ❖ Ventilate the area by opening windows and doors.
- ❖ **DO NOT DO ANYTHING THAT MIGHT CREATE A SPARK** or otherwise ignite the gas.
  - Do not smoke. Do not use lighters or matches.
  - Do not turn off/on any switches or appliances.
  - Do not use a land line or cell phone.
- ❖ Leave the area and go to a safe location.
- ❖ Call 256-535-4448 **after leaving the leak area.**

***We do not charge for leak investigation.***

For more information about **HU's natural gas system, reliability and safety** visit [www.hsvutil.org/gas](http://www.hsvutil.org/gas)



Natural Gas Safety

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