

### 1. Is natural gas safe?

Gas is one of the safest forms of energy, however, like all forms of energy, natural gas must be handled with respect. It is not poisonous as it was many years ago, but it is an asphyxiation hazard because it displaces oxygen and it is an explosive hazard if mixed in the right proportion with oxygen.

### 2. Should I call anyone when digging in my yard to locate gas lines?

Call the PA One Call System at 811 or 1-800-242-1776 at least three (3) business days prior to any excavation. Pennsylvania law mandates this call for any excavation with powered equipment. Borough personnel will mark all gas lines within three (3) business days of your call.

### 3. Is snow or ice a problem for my meter?

You should also be aware of the need to protect gas meters and piping from dangers associated with snow and ice, including snow removal. Do not pile snow on gas meters or allow snow to cover appliance vents. When removing snow from meters or piping, take care not to damage them. When possible, use a broom rather than a shovel. Caution persons shoveling or plowing the area regarding the location of the meter.