Dig Law Questions?

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UTC Mission
The UTC regulates the services of privately or investor owned utility and transportation companies. Our mission is to ensure that services are fairly priced, available, reliable and safe.

Upcoming Events
July 23 RFP Proposals Due
July 27 L&I Contractor Training, Lakewood
July 30 Draft rules served
September MRSC Webinar—date TBD
November 7 Damage Prevention Seminar, Bellevue

Safety Committee
On June 28, commission staff issued the official Request for Proposals (RFP) soliciting bids from statewide, nonprofit entities interested in assembling the “Safety Committee” as set forth in RCW 19.122.30. The RFP can be found on the commission’s website. Proposals are due before 4 p.m. on July 23. If you have any questions regarding the RFP, contact Anna Gill.

Got DIRT?
One addition to the new dig law is a reporting requirement for anyone who causes or witnesses damage to an underground facility. Starting Jan. 1, when damage occurs, the commission must be notified of the incident via CGA’s Virtual DIRT tool. DIRT can be accessed via a link on the commission’s website. In order to submit a report, an account must be established by the individual or company reporting. Learn more about DIRT and be ready to report January 1! If you have any questions regarding DIRT or the new requirement, contact Anna Gill.

Damage Reporting Rulemaking
Draft rules for the commission’s current damage reporting rulemaking will be issued on or before July 30. For more information, contact Dave Lykken.

Upcoming Trainings
The commission has scheduled a dig law seminar for Nov. 7, 2011 in Bellevue. More dates and locations will be announced shortly. For more information and registration for this and other upcoming events, visit our Dig Law Seminar Web page.

Outreach
In an effort to educate public agencies, such as local government, about their new responsibilities as outlined in the new dig law, the commission, in conjunction with the Municipal Research and Services Center (MRSC), will be putting on a Public Agencies webinar. The webinar will be hosted in September with more information to follow. The commission will also be offering a dig law training at the upcoming Labor and Industries (L&I) Contractor trainings on July 27 in Lakewood. If you are interested in attending or would like additional information, click here to visit L&I’s website.

Publications
The commission has a number of educational publications outlining changes to the dig law for each stakeholder group. To request these publications, contact Anna Gill.

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