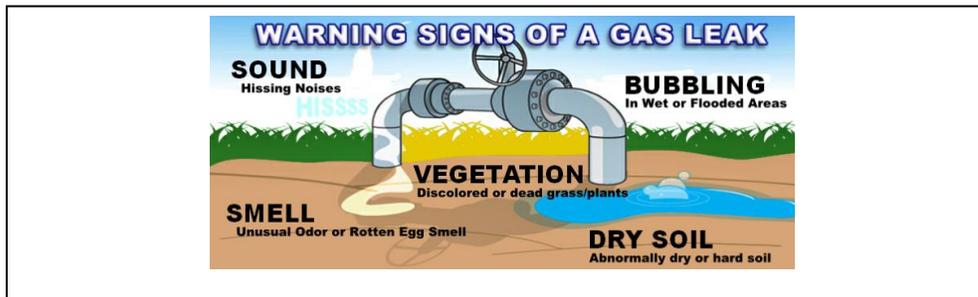


Lancaster County Natural Gas Authority

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Summer is quickly approaching. Please remember the following safety tips as you begin your outdoor projects:

- Please remember to Call SouthCarolina811 by simply dialing 811 from any location before doing any kind of digging, even projects you do in your own yard. This is a free service and it is a system that will notify utility members of your intention to dig. According to SC Law, please call at least 3 business days prior to any digging.
- If you or a contractor should accidentally come into contact with a natural gas pipeline, including a service line please take immediate action to protect the public and property, and then call **(803) 285-2045** during business hours or holidays. After notifying LCNGA (who will dispatch qualified personnel immediately), take such actions as appropriate to minimize hazards until LCNGA personnel arrive and /or police or fire departments if required. The excavator should cease all activity in the immediate area of the damaged utility, until authorized by LCNGA.
- The most reliable way to know a pipeline is in the area is to have the area professionally located by LCNGA. Sometimes LCNGA's pipelines can be identified with yellow marker posts positioned along the route of the pipeline but don't assume that just because you don't see a marker that there isn't a pipeline beneath the surface. In fact, most urban areas and many rural areas have LCNGA pipelines located inside street or highway rights-of-way.
- Leaks on pipelines are rare but they can occur. Signs of natural gas pipeline leak include:



Natural gas is colorless and odorless. To aid in detecting leaks or an unintentional release, a harmless odorant is added to help people smell gas in the event of a leak. Leaks can be dangerous. Natural gas is flammable and can be ignited by flame, electric sparks or static electricity.

If you notice any of the conditions described, leave the area immediately and warn others to stay away. From a safe location contact Lancaster County Natural Gas Authority immediately at **(803) 285-2045**. Do not strike a match, start an engine or operate an electric switch in the area.