

UNDERGROUND GAS PIPE MAINTENANCE

In accordance to federal regulations, the Fort Valley Utility Commission (FVUC) wants to make its customers aware of certain safety recommendations regarding your natural gas piping running underground from the gas meter to a structure or a gas-burning appliance.

FVUC operates its gas system with an emphasis on safety. FVUC is required to design, operate, and maintain the underground natural gas pipeline system in accordance with prescribed federal safety standards. The gas system does not maintain the gas piping downstream of the gas meter. This is the responsibility of the customer who owns the piping. If the buried pipe is not properly maintained, it is subject to corrosion and/or leakage.

To ensure the continued safe and reliable operation of these lines, the buried piping should be checked periodically. Building owners are advised to contact a licensed plumber or heating contractor to assist in locating and inspecting buried gas piping. If any unsafe condition is discovered, repairs should be made immediately. The area phone books are excellent sources for listings of licensed plumbers and heating contractors.

Please contact us at 478-825-7701 with any questions relating to gas pipe safety. After normal business hours, or on weekends, call 478-825-5482.