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From: Parker, Fred A <Fred.A.Parker@conocophillips.com>
Sent: Thursday, February 13, 2014 5:47 AM
To: David Ferguson
Subject: RE: Chapter 18 - Stakeholder Meeting - Feb. 10, 2014

David

I feel the life of a ticket should be calculated by calendar days .This would stop a lot of confusion with all parties of concern. My reasons for this is that most companies are working 6 sometimes 7 days a week in the Eagle Ford area. Using calendar days all one would have to do is add 14 days starting with the day the day the ticket was issued. This would also take out the confusion of which holidays are recognized in the one call system.

Thanks

Fred A. Parker

From: David Ferguson [<mailto:David.Ferguson@rrc.state.tx.us>]
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Subject: [EXTERNAL]Chapter 18 - Stakeholder Meeting - Feb. 10, 2014

All,

Please see attachments:

Chapter 18 – Public Stakeholder Meeting Invitation

Chapter 18 – Draft Proposed Amendments to Rules in Chapter 18, Underground Pipeline Damage Prevention

After review of comments and further consideration by staff, notable highlights of revisions from the informal proposed rules include:

- Removed incorporated by reference sections of Texas Utilities Code, Chapter 251; added similar language to appropriate areas of Chapter 18.
- Deleted exemptions in section 251.003
- Exempt the movement of earth by hand digging that does not exceed a depth of 12 inches.
- Retain 14 working days as the life of a line locate ticket
- Added requirements for pipeline operators to follow specified procedures.
- Excavation Tolerance Zone
- A locate ticket is limited to 2,640 continuous linear feet within a single county
- Pipeline Operator marking requirements for pipelines 12 inches or less in nominal diameter, or greater than 12 inches.
- Size of pipeline and pipe material included at every other mark.
- Pipeline data provided to one-call notification center within 10 calendar days before initiation of active service.

Best Regards,

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