

# NATURAL GAS

## *Safety spot*

### How to detect a leak



Natural gas is odorless, but, as a safety measure, we add an odorant before sending it into the distribution system. It is called mercaptan, and it has a highly-recognizable, sulfur-like, rotten egg odor.



Natural gas leaks may make a hissing or a high-pitched whistling noise.



Bubbling water, or unusual blowing of dirt or debris can be a sign of a leak.

### *If you smell gas:*

#### DO

- Leave the area
- Call Interior Gas Utility
- Warn others

#### DON'T

- Look for the leak
- Open any windows
- Use anything electrical, not even a phone

### Know what's below



**Know what's below.  
Call before you dig.**

Call Alaska Digline at 811 for free utility locates at least 48 hours before digging. The greatest risk to pipelines is the accidental damage during excavation, so call 811, wait for the marks, and dig safely!



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