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PURPOSE AND RELIABILITY OF THE PIPELINE

Bulldog Gas & Power, LLC, operates a 6-inch diameter underground plastic pipeline owned by Acme Fill Corporation (Acme). This pipeline transports landfill gas (LFG) from the Acme Landfill to Central Contra Costa Sanitary District (CCCSD). Because you live and/or work near many commercial pipelines, we want you to be aware of our pipeline, and assist us in preventing accidental damage to the pipeline. Products that are used in our everyday lives are transported by pipelines, and pipelines are the safest and most reliable means of transport of these products (National Transportation Safety Board). Bulldog Gas & Power is committed to the safe and reliable operation of the Acme LFG pipeline. Please review the pipeline safety information in this *Message* with your co-workers and family. The intentions of Bulldog Gas & Power and Acme are to be a good neighbor, address pipeline awareness, and provide the public with pipeline safety information that will avoid potentially dangerous activities near pipeline and related equipment in the area.

DAMAGE PREVENTION

The primary cause of pipeline damage is by earthmoving and excavation equipment operated by outside contractors, and from tools by neighbors and others not employed by the pipeline owner. To protect pipelines, other underground utilities, the public and environment, the USA in California was established as the excavation notification system. Calling before you dig, either by hand, or with machinery, is the first step in preventing pipeline damage, possible accidents, injuries or death. Excavating for any project, such as fences, poles for lights or mail boxes, foundations, swimming pools, deep plowing or tilling, laying underground pipe, plant or removing trees or landscaping, etc., requires notification to the Northern California USA one-call center, and may result in a penalty if the excavation notification is not done.

EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS

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Call 911 if you should see:

a leaking, weakened or damaged pipeline;

fire or explosion near the pipeline or directly involving a pipeline, related equipment, or pipeline facility; or

a natural disaster affecting the pipeline, such as an earthquake, flood or soil erosion, wash out.

LEAK/DAMAGE RECOGNITION AND RESPONSE

An *Inspection Program* is conducted where trained inspectors monitor the pipeline and related equipment. It is important to be able to recognize a pipeline leak. The locations of any physical signs of pipeline damage should be identified and reported to local authorities. The physical signs of pipeline damage or pipe leak may be a dented, pulled or scraped pipe section; a hissing sound; blowing dirt upward; or smell of gas. The landfill gas is naturally odorized; thus, should a gas leak occur, the smell of the odorized gas could be detected.

Immediately notify the local authorities by **calling 911** if you cause any damage such as dents and scrapes to the pipeline or related equipment. Do not attempt to make repairs to the pipeline yourself. Any damage to the pipeline may become a future leak or rupture. As the pipeline operator, Bulldog Gas & Power will manage the inspection and repair of any damage to the pipeline or related equipment.

NPMS

The public may obtain additional pipeline location and mapping information from the National Pipeline Mapping System (NPMS) by visiting www.npms.phmsa.dot.gov.

ONE CALL REQUIREMENTS

CALL 811 BEFORE YOU DIG - IT'S THE LAW!

Two (2) full working days prior to digging, excavating or doing any type of construction work, contact the Northern California Underground Service Alert (USA) One-Call center by **calling 811** to obtain the locations of any underground utilities, and any additional details and requirements. The public may obtain additional One Call information by visiting www.811beforeyoudig.com

This USA One-Call center established by the Federal Communication Commission (FCC) will

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collect information about the location of your proposed excavation site and will contact the companies in your areas that operate underground facilities. A representative from the appropriate company will be sent to the proposed excavation site to mark the locations of underground utilities FREE-of-charge to the caller. Bulldog Gas & Power is an active members of the Northern California USA One-Call center.

PIPELINE LOCATION INFORMATION

For your safety, markers were placed showing the approximate (not exact) location of the underground pipeline. Because the pipelines are buried underground, the markers may be directly over the pipeline, or along the right-of-way. The pipeline may not follow a straight path between the markers. The public should be aware of the pipeline markers. It is a federal crime for any person to willfully deface, damage, remove, or destroy any pipeline or right-of-way markers.

If you are not aware of pipelines on or near your property, check for pipeline markers posted on your property and around your neighborhood. You may also check your property record for pipeline information at the Contra Costa County Geographic Information Systems (GIS) Program by visiting www.contracosta.ca.gov/552/Maps-Property-Information - CCMAP website.

POTENTIAL HAZARDS

Potential hazards of a pipeline leak may include environmental damage, fire, adverse health reactions experienced by the public such as eye or skin irritations, and difficulty breathing.

ROW ENCROACHMENT

The Nation's infrastructures, including all pipelines and right-of-ways (ROW), must be kept free from structures and obstructions to provide access to the pipeline for surveillance, inspection and routine maintenance. Maintaining an encroachment-free ROW is essential for pipeline integrity and safety.

Please immediately notify and report any suspicious persons and/or activities near the pipeline to the local law enforcement authorities by **calling 911.**

PIPELINE AWARENESS PROGRAM INFORMATION

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