



# State of Vermont

30 VSA CHAPTER 86, SECTION 7007

# Department of Public Service

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ALL DATA FIELDS MUST BE COMPLETED OR FORM WILL BE JUDGED AS NOT ACCEPTABLE, REPORT SHOULD BE FILED WITHIN 30 DAYS OF INCIDENT. ALL DPS QUESTIONS WILL BE ADDRESSED TO PERSON PREPARING REPORT\*

## Underground Facility Damage Report (UFDR) (Revised 05/17/05)

Facility Damaged : <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Gas <input type="checkbox"/> Electric <input type="checkbox"/> CATV <input type="checkbox"/> Telecom <input type="checkbox"/> Water <input type="checkbox"/> Sewer <input type="checkbox"/> Other		Name of Utility Damaged: Vermont Gas Systems, Inc.	
When did damage occur? Date: 4/24/13 Time: 2:14 <input type="checkbox"/> AM <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> PM		Location (Street Address or Dimensional Reference, Town) 138 Seymour Road @ Rt 7 St. Albans, Vermont 05478	
When was report received by Utility? Date: 4/24/13 Time: 2:14 <input type="checkbox"/> AM <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> PM			
What date was report sent to DPS? 4/30/13		Report Prepared By (Name, Company, Telephone): David Attig for Lee Brown (802) 863-4511	
Excavator Notified Dig Safe in Advance? <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> Yes  Provide Dig Safe Ticket #:20131405113		Root Cause of Damage (Refer to Back, Select All that Apply)#9, #10, #12	
Facility Damaged: <input type="checkbox"/> Transmission <input type="checkbox"/> Distribution <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Service <input type="checkbox"/> Other, Describe:		Photographs Taken? <input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes	
Personal Injuries <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> Yes Describe:			
What Equipment Caused Damage? (Refer to Back) #6 - Excavator			
Service Interrupted: <input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes, Describe: To 227 meters while repairs were made.		Plan to Bill Excavator <input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes	
Incident Description: While excavating for a new road bed the contractor struck and damaged a 1/2" steel to PE service line transition fitting where it connected with the steel main. The contractor stated he thought the main was deeper than it was and as such was digging overtop the main using an excavator with a large bucket. The pipe was buried approximately 3.5 feet deep where the damage occurred. The contractor had a valid Dig Safe ticket and gas lines in the area had been properly marked. However, marks where the damage occurred were no longer visible to the contractor at the time the damage occurred because the road surface had been removed. VGS responded and was on scene at 1414. Gas was shut-off at 1501 and repairs commenced shortly thereafter. The few houses directly adjacent to the leak area were evacuated as a precaution but no gas entered the structures. There were no injuries or property damage other than damage to the gas transition fitting.			
*I CERTIFY THE INFORMATION PROVIDED IS ACCURATE TO THE BEST OF MY KNOWLEDGE,			
SIGNED			
-----Excavator Data-----			
Company Name: GW Tatro Telephone:(802) 644-8875 Company Address: 5195 RT 15, Jeffersonville VT 05464			
Name of Operator Causing Damage: Phil Marsha		Name of Supervisor on Job: Jay Lafontaine	

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FINDINGS, OBSERVATIONS, AND CONCLUSIONS REGARDING EXCAVATOR/UTILITY DIG SAFE PRACTICES					
Requirement	Yes	No	Requirement	Yes	No
§ [7004] Notified Dig Safe			§ [7006b] Reasonable Precautions Taken		
§ [7004] Precise Location of Excavation Area Identified			§ [7007] Immediately Notified Utility that Damage Occurred		
§ [7004] Excavation Area Pre-Marked by Excavator			§ [7007] Excavator Backfilled/Damage Concealed		
§ [7006a] Excavator Maintained Markings			§ [7006] Utility Accurately Marked Buried Facilities	VGS012494	

§ [7006a] Excavator Requested Remark (If applicable)			§[7006] Utility Responded in timely Manner		
DPS Investigator:	Report Received from Utility:		Investigation Completed:		

**DESCRIPTION OF THE ROOT CAUSE**

What was the root cause to the damage, downtime, of near-miss? Transfer your selection(s) to front.

1. No notification made to the one-call center
2. Notification to one-call center made but not sufficient
3. Wrong information provided
4. Facility could not be found/located
5. Facility marking or location not sufficient
6. Facility was not located or marked
7. Incorrect facility records/maps
8. Excavation practices not sufficient
9. Failure to maintain clearance between powered equipment and underground facility
10. Failure to maintain the marks
11. Failure to support exposed facilities
12. Failure to use hand tools where required
13. Failure to verify location by test-hole (pot-holing)
14. One-call notification center error
15. Abandoned facility
16. Deteriorated facility
17. Previous damage
18. Data not collected
19. Other:

**WHAT EQUIPMENT CAUSED DAMAGE**

Transfer your selection(s) to front.

1. Auger
2. Backhoe/Track hoe
3. Boring
4. Directional Drilling
5. Drilling
6. Excavator
7. Explosives
8. Farm Equipment
9. Grader/Scraper
10. Hand Tools
11. Milling Equipment
12. Probing Device
13. Shovel
14. Trencher
15. Vacuum Equipment
16. Data Not Collected
17. Unknown/Other