

CHAPTER 1132
WORK NEAR BURIED TRANSMISSION LINES
S.F. 511

AN ACT relating to construction near a buried electric transmission line.

Be It Enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Iowa:

Section 1. Chapter 478, Code 1983, is amended by adding the following new section:

NEW SECTION. SUBSEQUENT CONSTRUCTION NEAR BURIED LINE. At least forty-eight hours before performing construction involving earthwork, tiling, or excavation within fifty feet of a buried electric line, the landowner, tenant, or contractor shall notify the company or corporation that owns or maintains the buried line. Upon notification, if the proposed work will disturb the soil within fifteen feet of the line the company or corporation shall then mark the location of the line or inform the landowner, tenant, or contractor of the line's route and voltage. If the line carries an operating voltage of thirty-four point five kilovolts or greater and if requested by the landowner, tenant, or contractor, the corporation or company shall have a representative present during the performance of the earthwork, tiling or excavation. The company or corporation shall not charge a fee for this service. This section does not apply to emergency construction involving earthwork, tiling, or excavation located in a highway or street right-of-way.

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