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PRIS code update to take effect January 1, 2009

Duluth, GA December 29, 2008 - Beginning January 1, 2009 the following PRIS code updates will become effective. Please take the steps necessary to be ready by this date. These enhancements are being made in order to better communicate the realities of what is happening in the field and to be in compliance with the Georgia Utilities Facilities Protection Act (GUFPA). The Georgia Utilities Coordinating Council (GUCC) worked with the Georgia Public Service Commission and the Utilities Protection Center by bringing a comprehensive team of statewide stakeholders to accomplish these enhancements.

Following is a detailed list of the codes and the changes that are occurring. Please be aware that new codes have been added, existing codes have been deleted and/or existing codes have had definition changes.

UPC Positive Response Codes

Response Code	Response Description
Marked	
1A	Marked
1B	<u>Marked: High profile utility in conflict.</u>
1C	<u>Marked: Permanent Marker Present.</u>
1D	<u>Marked: Ticket should have been white-lined but was not.</u>
Marked with Exceptions	
2A	Marked with exceptions: High profile utility in conflict, utility owner/operator will attempt to contact you within 24 hours to set up site surveillance.
2B	Marked with exceptions: Privately owned facilities on property, contact private facility owner directly or call UPC for a listing of private locate contractors in your area. <u>Marked with conditions: Privately owned facilities on property. Excavator needs to contact the private facility owner to determine how facilities will be located. If someone is needed to locate private utility lines, locators' listings may be found in the yellow pages under Utilities.</u>
2C	Marked with exceptions: Permanent Marker Present
2D	Marked with exceptions: Ticket should have been white-lined but was not.
Unmarked	
3A	Unmarked: Locate technician could not gain access to property; contact UPC to obtain a new ticket. <u>Unmarked: Locate technician could not gain access to complete the request. Locator will contact excavator.</u>
3B	Unmarked: Incorrect address information; contact UPC to obtain a new ticket.
3C	Unmarked: Locate technician and contractor have agreed to meet on site on a specific date.
3D	Unmarked: High profile utility in conflict; utility owner will attempt to contact you within 24 hours to set up site surveillance.
3E	Unmarked: Unrestrained animal on property, call UPC for a new ticket.
3H	Unmarked: Privately owned facilities on property, contact the private facility owner directly. If you need someone to locate private utility lines, you may find several locators' listings in the Yellow Pages under Utilities. <u>Unmarked: Privately owned facilities on property. Excavator needs to contact the private facility owner to determine how facilities will be located. If someone is needed to locate private utility lines, locators' listings may be found in the yellow pages under Utilities.</u>

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3I	<u>Unmarked: Marking instructions unclear, call UPC for a new ticket.</u> <u>Unmarked: Marking instructions unclear. Locator will contact excavator.</u>
3J	Unmarked: Extraordinary circumstances exist, contact the utility owner/operator directly for details.
3K	Unmarked: Not service provider for this location. <u>Served by another provider.</u>
3L	<u>Unmarked: Un-locatable utility facility is present. An attempt has been made to mark the utility facility.</u>
3M	<u>Unmarked: Late, Weather conditions - Contact utility owner/operator for further information.</u>
3N	<u>Unmarked: Late.</u>
3Z	Unmarked: On-going job, locate technician and contractor have established a written agreement on scheduled marking.
Clear	
4A	Clear, no facilities
4B	<u>Clear: 100% overhead facilities.</u>
No Conflict	
5	No conflict, utility is outside of requested work site.
No Locate Required	
6	<u>No locate required due to contractual arrangement between excavator and utility owner/operator.</u> <u>Excavator is contractor for facility owner. Locate required prior to excavation per contractual agreement.</u>
Refuse to Locate	
7	Facility owner/operator refuses to locate. <u>This is a violation of the statute.</u>
Sewer Facilities	
8A	Sewer facilities and sewer laterals marked.
8B	Sewer facilities marked and sewer laterals marked with exception - Permanent Marker Present.
8C	Sewer facilities marked and sewer laterals marked as un-locatable with green triangle pointing to address or addresses in question
8D	<u>Sewer facilities marked and sewer laterals unmarked - contact sewer facility owner / operator for copy of drawings or other records, or to schedule an onsite meeting.</u> <u>Sewer facilities marked and sewer laterals unmarked: Sewer facility owner/operator has transmitted or mailed copy their best available sewer lateral records to the excavator.</u>
8E	<u>Sewer facilities marked and sewer laterals un-marked - This utility member is a Local government and receives less than 50 requests per year. Please contact directly for further instructions.</u>



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	<u>Sewer facilities marked and sewer laterals unmarked - This utility member is a local government that receives less than 50 requests per year. Please contact this sewer operator directly for further instructions concerning the sewer laterals.</u>
8F	Sewer Facilities have been marked and portions of sewer laterals present have been marked with or without exception and / or with green triangles. Portions are unmarked. Please contact sewer facility owner / operator per 8D and 8E. <u>Sewer facilities have been marked and portions of sewer laterals present have been marked with or without exception and/or with green triangles. Portions are unmarked. Sewer facility owner operator will contact the excavator concerning unmarked portions in accordance with 8D or 8G.</u>
8G	<u>Sewer facilities marked and sewer laterals unmarked. Sewer facility owner/operator has scheduled an onsite meeting with the excavator.</u>
Design Notifications	
9A	Design Locates: Marked.
9B	Design Locates: Marked with exceptions - Permanent Marker Present
9C	Design Locates: Unmarked: Contact Facility Owner/Operator for copy of drawings or other records.
9D	Design Locates: Clear, No Facilities.
Large Project Notifications	
10A	Large Projects: Meeting Date/Time Accepted.
10B	Large Projects: Meeting Date/Time Rejected.
10C	Large Projects: Agree to treat as a Large Project.
10D	Large Projects: Disagree to treat as a Large Project.
10E	Large Projects: Will not attend meeting - Not service provider for this location.
10F	Large Projects: Will not attend meeting - Clear, no facilities
10G	Large Projects: Not service provider for this location.
10H	Large Projects: Clear, no facilities