



## **PRESS RELEASE – FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE**

**Utilities Protection Center of Georgia  
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### **Official Utilities Protection Center, Inc. Business**

Duluth, GA – March 26th, 2007 – Utilities Protection Center, Inc. alerted Member Utilities last week to the upcoming new Locate Request Notification Type – Large Projects (LP). This PR is a follow-up with details on the format changes, business rules, additional response codes, and response addresses. Members who use manual methods for PRIS (i.e. Web and Phone) should note the new Web Address and Phone number for responses, all other changes will only affect Members who use Ticket Management Systems for notice receipt and Positive Responses.

On April 16<sup>th</sup>, 2007 UPC will begin transmitting Large Project Meeting Notifications and Large Project Excavation Notifications to its Member Utilities, along with the accompanying Normal Notices for the Members who do not wish to treat it as a Large Project. These notices will be delivered from the EDEN System (separate from UPC's current system for normal notices). With two separate systems this means that Members must respond to a separate Positive Response Information System (PRIS) for these notices (LP Meeting Notifications, LP Excavation Notifications, and LP Normal Notifications).

Members will be able to distinguish LP Notifications the same as they do today when differentiating between Normal, Emergency, Damage, Insufficient, and Design Notices, by using the {type} indicator in the subject of the notice. The two new notice {types} are LPMEET (LP Meeting Notification) and LPEXCA (LP Excavation Notification). Additionally, the middle three digits of the Ticket Number will be in the 400-499 range, for all LP related notices – including Normal Notifications for Members who do not wish to treat it as a Large Project.

Members should note that the Ticket Number for a LP Meeting Notification will remain the same for the corresponding LP Excavation Notification for the life of the notice (90 days). However, the corresponding Normal Notification Ticket Number will change with every Restake (every 18 days throughout the life of the LP). Also, the {type} of the notice will change from LPMEET to LPEXCA when the LP Excavation Notification is released. As well, the Version/Revision number will increase in sequential order for every notification/re-notification.

The base format will remain the same for LP Notifications, with a few small changes. Those changes are outlined in the attached documentation, including a list of new and changed fields.

Protocols for Positive Responses to LP Notifications will remain the same. However, there will be additional Response Codes and different connection addresses for all of the normal response methods. The address for Telnet and Web responses will be EDEN.GAUPC.com instead of IRT.H.GAUPC.com. The phone number for Phone Response will be: 1.866.461.7271. The phone number for Modem response will be: 770.232.7366

Please review the Large Project Flow Diagram.pdf (available on our website) for all business rules corresponding to the new Large Project Notifications – including Respond By timeframes, Response Codes, etc....

If you have additional questions about the process for Large Projects please contact your Liaison Manager. If you have technical questions or would like to test the Delivery or Response changes for LP's please contact:

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Additionally you can visit our website for more information – [www.gaupc.com](http://www.gaupc.com). Including, Process and Procedure Flowchart and documentation, PRIS system documentation, Large Project Notification output formats, etc...As well, you can also find the contact information for your regional Liaison Manager if you have any further questions.

#### **Additional Large Project Notification Response Codes:**

- **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.

#### **Large Project Format Changes:**

The following bullet points are the differences in the LP Meeting and Excavation Notification formats, from the standard Normal Notice format.

#### **Large Project Meeting Notification Format Changes**

- “Ticket” changed to “Notice”
- Additional spaced added to the “State”, “Address”, “Locate”, and fields. Please see the listed fields for details on where the additional space is located.
- “Cross” line has been replaced with “Cross1” and “Cross2” – if applicable.
- “Near” (street) line has been added.
- “Near Street” has been removed from the “Remarks” field.
- “Offset” line has been removed.
- “RR Subdivision”, “RR Marker”, and “Mile Marker” fields have been removed.
- “Locat” field has been changed to “Locate”.
- Three additional spaces added to the “Grids” and “Work Type” fields.
- “ScopeOfWork” line has been added.
- Additional line break has been added after “Work Type”.
- “Meeting Date”, “Time”, “Meeting Respond By”, “Meeting Location”, “LP Contact”, “Phone”, and “Contact Email” fields have been added.
- “Work Date”, “Time”, “Hrs notc”, “Legal Day”, “Time”, “Good Thru”, and “Restake By” fields have been removed.
- “Priority” field has been moved two (2) lines down to the “RespondBy” line.
- “Railroad” field has been removed, thus shifting the “Blasting” and “Boring” fields back accordingly.
- “Chan” field has been removed.

## Large Project Excavation Notification Format Changes

- “Ticket” changed to “Notice”
- Additional spaced added to the “State”, “Address”, “Locate”, and fields. Please see the listed fields for details on where the additional space is located.
- “Cross” line has been replaced with “Cross1” and “Cross2” – if applicable.
- “Near” (street) line has been added.
- “Near Street” has been removed from the “Remarks” field.
- “Offset” line has been removed.
- “RR Subdivision”, “RR Marker”, and “Mile Marker” fields have been removed.
- “Locat” field has been changed to “Locate”.
- Three additional spaces added to the “Grids” and “Work Type” fields.
- “ScopeOfWork” line has been added.
- Additional line break has been added after “Work Type”.
- “Meeting Date”, “Time”, “Meeting Respond By”, “Meeting Location”, “LP Contact”, “Phone”, and “Contact Email” fields have been added.
- “Work Date”, “Time”, “Hrs notc”, “Legal Day”, “Time”, “Good Thru”, and “Restake By” fields have been removed.
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