



Natural gas safety alert. Did you know?

1. You might own a natural gas line.
2. If so, you are responsible for maintaining it.

Xcel Energy owns and maintains the natural gas piping from the street to our customers' gas meters, but as the property owner you are responsible for maintaining any natural gas lines from the meter outlet to gas appliances and equipment (see example at right). In some cases, the meter may be located at your property line or a distance away from your home or business.

The customer-owned piping may be above or below ground, and buried gas lines may run from the meter to a detached garage, workshop, pool heater, outdoor gas grill, or other locations.

Buried gas pipes can leak and metal pipes may corrode with age, causing a potentially dangerous situation. For the sake of safety, please have your buried gas pipes inspected periodically and repair them as needed.

You should always call 811 to locate underground lines owned by your utility providers; however, the natural gas piping you own will not be located as part of this process. Licensed plumbing or heating contractors can provide assistance with locating, inspection, repairs and maintenance, if necessary.

After all the buried gas piping on your property has been located, any digging near it should be done by hand.

