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POLICY STATEMENT

FROM: MARK MARCHUS, C.B.O.
RE: TEMPORARY NATURAL GAS/PROPANE SERVICE
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Temporary Natural Gas/Propane Service as used in this policy shall mean the temporary connection of the gas service equipment to the source of gas (meter or propane tank) for the purpose of testing building service equipment, or temporary heat. A separate plumbing permit is required for each temporary gas installation. Permit cost is \$45.00.

The following items must be completed before the temporary gas connection will be approved:

1. A "Temporary Natural Gas/Propane Service Agreement" shall be completed and signed by the owner of record for the project.
2. The location of the temporary gas service shall be in the same location as the proposed permanent location.
3. The temporary service shall be clearly signed. The sign shall state "Temporary Gas Service Shut Off".
4. The meter location shall be securely fastened on the customer side of the meter with hard piping.
5. Working pressure of temporary service shall be equal to the working pressure of the permanent gas service.
6. All valves, at each manifold, which serve as the part of the connection for portable heating equipment, shall be of a lockable type and when not in use shall be in the closed position and lock closed with a suitable keyed lock.
7. Temporary natural gas/propane service approvals are valid for a period of one-hundred and eighty (180) days from the date the approval is granted. An extension may be granted by the Building Official if acceptable documentation is submitted, indicating that a reasonable amount of additional time is needed to complete the project. The time period for the extension shall not exceed one-hundred and eighty (180) days.
8. If unsafe conditions exist in the opinion of the Building Official or the Fire Marshall, the Building Official or the Fire Marshall shall have the authority to order the serving utility to disconnect the Temporary Gas Service.

It must be the responsibility of the contractor and workmen on the job site to maintain safe operation of portable heating equipment. The following are recommendations for the use of portable heating equipment. Each job site must assume the responsibility to reduce hazards to a minimum depending on site conditions.

1. Maintain proper distance to combustible materials.
2. Maintain an adequate supply of combustion air for the safe operation of equipment.
3. Approved rubber hoses should be protected from physical damage by supporting them on construction fencing, supported and attached to building elements or should be supported a minimum of 36" above the floor or surrounding grade.
4. All hoses should be identified by tape, or other means, identifying they are combustible fuel hoses.

If the temporary natural gas/propane service agreement expires prior to the issuance of a Certificate of Occupancy, the owner of record will be sent a written notice informing them the temporary gas service will be ordered disconnected within thirty (30) days of the notice. If an extension agreement is filed and approved within the thirty (30) day period the "Temporary Gas Service Agreement" will be extended pursuant to the terms of the extension agreement.