

Propane/Natural Gas Utility Connections

PURPOSE

This bulletin has been jointly developed by Municipal Affairs and the Safety Codes Council to inform the Canadian Propane Association (CPA) members, propane suppliers and natural gas utilities of the requirements associated with the verification that a gas permit has been obtained for all new installations where gas is used for fuel purposes.

DISCUSSION

Propane/Natural Gas Suppliers/Distributors and **Safety Codes Officers** are reminded that a person(s) applying for a gas service for a new installation are required to present a copy of the gas permit to the propane/natural gas supplier.

REGULATION REFERENCES

The **Safety Codes Act** under the **Permit Regulation (AR 204/2007)** requires:

1. A gas permit be obtained to install, alter or make additions to a gas system and includes new or replacement of liquefied petroleum tanks with a capacity in excess of 454 litres, including the service line.
2. Propane/natural gas suppliers/distributors shall not supply gas to any installation unless the permit issued in respect of that installation is presented to the supplier by the person applying for the service, the permit issuer notifies the supplier that the required permit has been obtained, or the permit issuer authorizes a temporary connection
3. The issuance of a permit under the regulation to install, alter or make an addition to a gas installation **does not** obligate a supplier of gas to connect a gas installation to a gas supply system if, in the opinion of the supplier or supplier's agent, the connection would create a hazard to life or property.

APPLICATION

A copy of the permit verifies that the gas installation is registered and is subject to a site inspection by a Safety Codes Officer; however, the supplier shall not supply propane to an installation if such action would create a hazard.

INTERPRETATION

All propane suppliers/distributors are to be aware of, and comply with requirements of the **Safety Codes Act**.

Issue of this STANDATA is authorized by
the Gas Administrator

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