



Washington State Dig Law Safety Committee

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**Committee Members
Represent:**

June 26, 2023

Local Government

Amanda Maxwell, Executive Director and Secretary
UTC Records Center

Natural Gas Utility

Utilities and Transportation Commission

Contractors

621 Woodland Square Loop SE

Excavators

Lacey, WA 98503

Electric Utility

Re: Review Committee Decision – Complaint Cases 22-051, 23-030, 23-047, 23-058, and 23-059 Clallam County PUD vs. CenturyLink/Lumen

Consumer Owned Utility

Dear Ms. Maxwell:

Pipeline Utility

The Washington State Dig Law Safety Committee (committee) received five complaints from Clallam County PUD (CCPUD) regarding potential violations of Washington State Dig Law RCW 19.122.030, regarding utility locating issues involving CenturyLink/Lumen (CL/Lumen). The dates identified on the complaints are Sept. 9, 2022, Feb. 13, 2023, March 28, 2023, May 1, 2023, and May 2, 2023.

Insurance Industry

**Utilities and
Transportation
Commission**

On June 20, 2023, the committee formed a review board and heard Complaint Cases 22-051, 23-030, 23-047, 23-058, and 23-059 filed by CCPUD against CL/Lumen.

**Telecommunications
Company**

Three At-Large Positions

The review board determined that the respondent, CL/Lumen, violated RCW 19.122.030(4)(a) three times for not providing information to the excavator pursuant to 19.122.030(3) within 2 business days.

Therefore, the committee recommends a total penalty of \$15,000 be assessed to the respondent as follows:

- \$5,000 for one violation of RCW 19.122.030(4)(a) for Complaint Case 22-051
- \$5,000 for one violation of RCW 19.122.030(4)(a) for Complaint Case 23-047
- \$5,000 for one violation of RCW 19.122.030(4)(a) for Complaint Case 23-058
- No violation for Complaint Case 23-030
- No violation for Complaint Case 23-059

Please let me know if you have any questions regarding this recommendation. You may contact me at 206-794-9823.

Sincerely,

Jim Walton, Chair

cc: Marina Rathbun, UTC
John Bemis, CenturyLink/Lumen