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Washington State Dig Law Safety Committee

P.O. Box 734 • Poulsbo, WA 98370

March 16, 2020

Mark Johnson, Executive Director and Secretary Members of the Commission **Utilities and Transportation Commission** 1300 Evergreen Park Drive SW Olympia, WA 98504-7250

Re: Review Committee Decision - Case 20-005 Columbia Rural Electric Assoc. vs. Triple S Excavating

Dear Mr. Johnson:

The Washington State Dig Law Safety Committee received a complaint regarding an alleged violation of Washington State Dig Law RCW 19.122.030 for work performed on January 7, 2020.

On February 12, 2020, the committee formed a review board and heard Case 20-005 filed by Columbia Rural Electric Assoc. against Triple S Excavating.

The review board determined that the respondent, Triple S Excavating, violated RCW 19.122.030(2) by digging before the required two business days, the board also determined that Triple S Excavating violated RCW 19.122.030(5) by failing to wait until all locates are marked or communicated before starting excavation.

Therefore, the committee recommends a total penalty of \$2000.00 be assessed to the respondent follows;

Case 20-005 \$1000.00 penatly for one violation of RCW 19.122.030(2) and \$1000.00 penalty for one violation of RCW 19.122.030(5)

The recommended penalties total of \$2000.00 with \$1800.00 deferred on the condition that both ownership and field leadership attends NUCA dig safe training and incur no additional violations of RCW 19.122 within twelve months of receiving a penalty assessment order.

Please let me know if you have any questions regarding this case. I can be contacted at 206-794-9823.

Sincerely,

Jim Walton, Chair

cc: Lynda Holloway, UTC

Lars Mickelson, Triple S Excavating

wsdlsafetycommittee@gmail.com

From: sendmail@washington-ucc.org

Sent: Wednesday, January 15, 2020 7:20 AM

To: wsdlsafetycommittee@gmail.com

Subject: Complaint Form

Complaint Form Request

Requester Information

Name: Bryan Maas

Company: Columbia Rural Electric Association

Company Phone: (509)526-1020

Company Email: bmaas@columbiarea.coop

Company Address: 2929 Melrose Street, Walla Walla, 99362

Ticket Requested: yes Ticket Number: 20005009 Ticket Date: 01/06/20

Violation Information

Violation RCW: RCW 19.122.030

Violation Section: Section 2) An excavator must provide the notice required by subsection (1) of this section to a one-

number locator service not less than two business days...

Violation Description: Columbia REA was notified of utility locate request on the 6th of January. On the 7th of January at 8:30am our serviceman arrived on site to preform the utility locate. The excavation had been completed and was about

12 inches from our existing underground high voltage line.

Violation Address: 205 Champagne way, Walla Walla, WA 99362

Violation Date: 01/07/20

Alleged Violator

Triple S Excavating

Violator Name: Tripe S Excavation **Violator Phone Number:** (509)318-0090

Violator Email: lars@triples2010.com Lars Mickelson Violator Address: 6321 W Brinkley, Kennewick, 99338

Violator Employess On Site: Columbia REA Serviceman and Columbia REA Field Engineer

PO BOX 2383 PASCO, WA 99302-2383

509-318-0090 FRANKLIN County

Washington One Call

Ticket No: 20005009

2 FULL BUSINESS DAYS

 Original Call Date:
 01/06/20 03:11 pm

 Work to Begin Date:
 01/09/20 12:00 am

 Expiration Date:
 02/20/20 03:15 pm

CALLER INFORMATION

Company Name: TRIPLE S EXCAVATION LARS MICKELSON

Phone: 509-318-0090

Alt. Contact:

Phone:

Fax Phone:

Caller Address: PO BOX 2383 PASCO, WA 99301

Email Address: lars@triples2010.com

DIG SITE INFORMATION

Type of Work: INSTALL UTILITY SERVICES

Work Being Done For: PAHLISCH HOMES

DIG SITE LOCATION

State: WA

County: WALLA WALLA **Place:** WALLA WALLA

Address: 205

Street: CHAMPAGNE WAY

Intersecting Street: CLARET CT

Location of Work: EXCAVATION SITE IS ON THE E SIDE OF THE ROAD. ADD IS ON THE SE

CORNER OF ABV INTER. MARK THE ENTIRE PROP AT ABV ADD.

CUSTOMER STATES SUBDIVISION NAME IS PROVENANCE AND IS LOT NUM

65++

Remarks: AREA MARKED IN WHITE. CUSTOMER GAVE LATITUDE AND LONGITUDE:

GOOGLE

Caller GPS: Lat: 46.0686039 Lon: -118.285697

Map Coord NW Lat: 46.0704666

Lon: -118.2887750 SE Lat: 46.0657216 Lon: -118.2825459

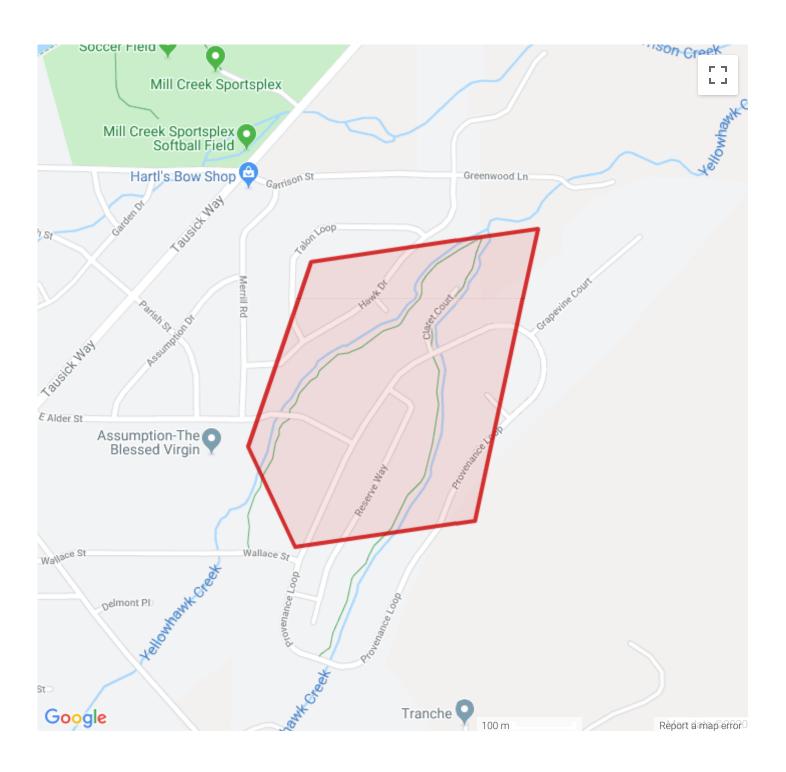
MEMBERS NOTIFIED

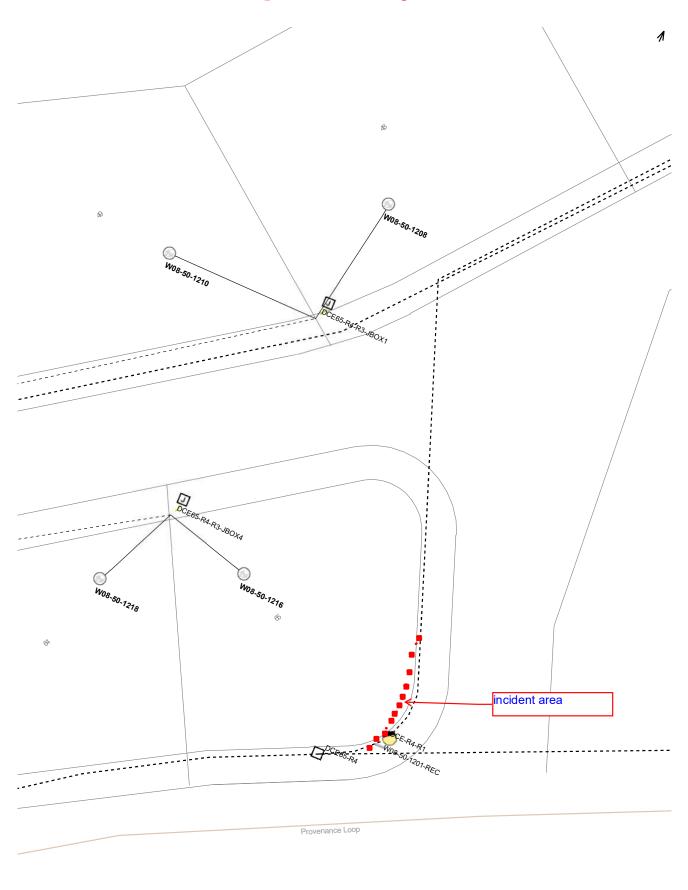
District Company Name Marking Customer Concerns Service Repair Status

| District | Company Name | Marking Concerns | Customer Service | Repair | Status |
|----------|-----------------------------------|---------------------|---------------------|----------------------|---|
| CNG01 | CASCADE NAT GAS-WALLA WALLA | 509-524- 1880 | 888-522- 1130 | 888- 522- 1130 | Does not report |
| CREA01 | COLUMBIA REA, INC | 509-526- 4041 | 509-526- 4041 | 509- 526- 4041 | Does not report |
| NOANT02 | NORTHWEST OPEN ACCESS NETWORK | 866-662- 6380 | 866-662- 6380 | 866- 662- 6380 | Clear, No Utility Owned Facility in Excavation Area |
| POCK01 | POCKETINET COMMUNICATIONS | 509-593- 4707 | 509-526- 5026 | 509- 593- 4707 | Does not report |
| PPL07 | PACIFIC POWER | 425-392- 6412 | 888-221- 7070 | 888- 221- 7070 | Not yet responded |
| QLNWA06 | CTLQL- CENTURYLINK | 800-778- 9140 | 800-283- 4237 | 800- 573- 1311 | Not yet responded |
| TCI03 | CHARTER COMMUNICATIONS | 800-778- 9140 | 509-522- 0647 | 509- 522- 0647 | Clear, No Utility Owned Facility in Excavation Area |
| TCI11 | CHARTER COMMUNICATIONS | 800-778- 9140 | 509-222- 2523 | 509- 222- 2523 | Clear, No Utility Owned Facility in Excavation Area |
| WALLA01 | CITY OF WALLA WALLA | 509-527- 4380 | 509-527- 4380 | 509- 527- 4380 | Does not report |
| WWPWKS01 | WALLA WALLA PUB WKS | 509-524- 2726 | 509-524- 2710 | 509- 524- 2710 | Does not report |

Legend: Locate Polygon

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