

Washington State Dig Law Safety Committee

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September 22, 2021

Mark Johnson, Executive Director and Secretary
Members of the Commission
Utilities and Transportation Commission
621 Woodland Square Loop SE
Lacey, WA 98503

Re: Review Committee Decision – Case 21-018 Robert Sturdivant vs.
Countrywide Fence Center

Dear Mr. Johnson:

The Washington State Dig Law Safety Committee received a complaint regarding a potential violation of Washington State Dig Law RCW 19.122.030 for work performed on 3/24/2021.

On September 22, 2021, the committee formed a review board and heard Case 20-018 filed by Robert Sturdivant against Countrywide Fence Center.

The review board determined that the respondent, Countrywide Fence Center, violated RCW 19.122.030(2) for failing to secure a valid locate before excavation.

Therefore, the committee recommends a total penalty of being assessed to the respondent as follows:

- \$1000 for one violation of RCW 19.122.030(2)

The recommended penalty totals \$1000 with an opportunity to suspend \$800 on the condition that Mike Martin, owner, and his field leads and supervisors attend NUCA dig safe training and incur no additional violations of RCW 19.122 within twelve months of receiving a penalty assessment order.

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

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "J. Walton", with a stylized flourish at the end.

Jim Walton, Chair

Cc: Lynda Holloway

Robert Sturdivant

Mike Martin, Countrywide Fence Center