

Gas Leak Safety Procedure for Contractors

- 1. When conducting audits or work and a gas leak is found, the Contractor should determine immediately if the natural gas or propane odor is "strong" or "weak."
- 2. If the odor is strong, advise everyone in the home to exit the premises immediately and the Inspector should exit also. Do not strike a match, use telephones, switch on or off electrical appliances, lights, or even a flashlight in the area where you smell gas. These items can produce sparks that might ignite the gas and cause an explosion.
- 3. If the odor is weak, open windows to air out the area and mark the location of the gas leak. Report the information to the household.
- 4. In all cases of natural gas, advise the household to call the appropriate number below to report the gas emergency (from a phone outside of the home). If propane, the household should call their propane supplier.

NATURAL GAS UTILITY 24-HOUR EMERGENCY PHONE NUMBER Consolidated Edison Company of NY, Inc. 1-800-752-6633 Keyspan Energy Delivery (National Grid) 1-718-643-4050 National Fuel Gas Company 1-800-444-3130 New York State Electric & Gas Corporation 1-800-572-1121 Central Hudson Gas & Electric 1-800-942-8274 National Grid 1-800-892-2345 Orange and Rockland Utilities, Inc. 1-800-533-5325 Rochester Gas & Electric Corporation 1-800-743-1702 St. Lawrence Gas Company, Inc. 1-800-673-3301