

## UTILITY INSTALLATION

Date \_\_\_\_\_



To: Bell County (hereinafter sometimes "the County")  
Bell County Commissioners' Court  
%County Engineer  
P.O. Box 264  
Belton, Texas 76513

Formal notice is hereby given that (hereinafter sometimes "Utility") proposes to place a line (hereinafter sometimes "the line") within the right-of-way of County Road (hereinafter "the road") as follows:

The location and description of the proposed line and appurtenances is more fully shown on the drawing which is attached hereto and incorporated herein. The line will be constructed and maintained on the County right-of-way in accordance with current Bell County Specifications as directed by the County Engineer.

Construction will begin on or after the \_\_\_\_\_, and will be completed in \_\_\_\_\_ calendar days.

The Utility expressly recognizes that this Request, if approved by the Bell County Commissioner's Court, does not grant any right, claim, title, or easement in or upon the Road and its appurtenances. In the future, should Bell County, for any reason, need to work, improve, relocate, widen, increase, add to, decrease, or in any manner change the structure of this road or right-of-way, the line, if affected, will be moved by the Utility at the direction of the Bell County Engineer and shall be relocated at the complete expense of the Utility.

All work in the County right-of-way shall be performed by the Utility in accordance with the Bell County Utility Specifications under the direction of the County Engineer. This installation work shall not damage any part of the road and its appurtenances and the Utility shall make adequate provisions to cause a minimum of inconvenience to traffic and adjacent property owners.

The Utility, in consideration of the approval of this Request by the County and for other good and valuable consideration, the receipt and sufficiency of which is hereby acknowledged, does hereby agree, promise and obligate itself, upon the completion of the placement of the line as set forth in this Request to return the Road, its right-of-way and any improvements, additions or appurtenances to said Road or right of way (hereinafter collectively sometimes "the Road and its appurtenances") to a condition which, in the opinion of the County Engineer of Bell County, equals or exceeds the condition in which said Road and its appurtenances exist immediately prior to the time the Utility begins the installation of the line (hereinafter sometimes "the original or better condition").

The County, its agents, employees and/or servants shall not be liable or responsible for, and shall be saved and held harmless by the Utility, from and against any and all claims, demands, costs, judgments and/or damages of every kind for any injury to or death of any person or persons and for any damage to or loss of any property arising out of or attributable, directly or indirectly, to: (1) the negligence, acts, conduct or operations of the Utility, its agents, employees, servants, guests and/or licensees, whether arising out of or related to, directly or indirectly, this Request or otherwise; or (2) the failure, for any reason, of the Utility, its agents, employees, servants, guests and/or licensees to fully perform any agreement, promise or obligation arising, by operation of law or otherwise out of or related to, directly or indirectly, this Request. Furthermore, the County, its agents, employees, licenses and/or servants shall not be liable or responsible for, and shall be saved and held harmless by the Utility from and against, any injury or death to any person or persons and for any damage to or loss of any property arising out of or related to, directly or indirectly, the Road and its appurtenances which are affected by or related to the line: (1) being improperly constructed or maintained, or not being returned to the original or better condition; (2) being or becoming out of repair; or (3) being defective or in want of repair or maintenance; whether such damage, loss or injury is caused by or arises from, in whole or in part, the negligence of the County, its agents, employees, servants, licensees, quests or otherwise.

FIRM: \_\_\_\_\_

BY: \_\_\_\_\_

TITLE: \_\_\_\_\_

ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

PHONE: \_\_\_\_\_

APPROVAL

This application is hereby approved subject to the above understandings and restrictions.

Approved: COUNTY OF BELL COMMISSIONERS' COURT

By: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Form adopted by Bell County Commissioners' Court on December 27, 1976 (Amended 3-5-85 and 11-29-04)

**\*\*\*\*\*NOTICE\*\*\*\*\***

**PLEASE CONTACT THE COUNTY ENGINEER'S OFFICE  
24 HOURS PRIOR TO BEGINNING OF ACTUAL WORK**

(254) 933-5275 Phone  
(254) 933-5276 Fax  
(800) 460-2355 Ext. 5275

BELL COUNTY  
STANDARD SPECIFICATIONS  
FOR WORK IN COUNTY ROAD RIGHT-OF-WAY

1. No work shall be performed in the county right-of-way until after a permit has been approved  
By the Commissioners' Court. Permit will not be issued until proper bond is furnished.
2. All work in the county right-of-way shall be covered by a license or permit bond which indemnifies Bell County against any damages to the roadway, made payable to the County Judge, in accordance with the following schedule:
  - a. Minimum bond requirement - \$500.00
  - b. Each road bore -\$150.00
  - c. Each road cut - \$100.00
  - d. Paved road cut (if permitted) - \$200.00
  - e. Line parallel to road - \$1.50 per lineal foot. Bond term shall cover work period and 180 calendar days after completion of work.
3. INSURANCE  
In addition to the license or permit bond required in paragraph 2 (above), the CONTRACTOR shall comply with the following provisions:
  - (a) The CONTRACTOR acknowledges that he has qualified and will make all payments under the terms of the Unemployment Compensation Law of the State of Texas.
  - (b) The CONTRACTOR and all subcontractors employed on the work shall carry insurance of minimum limits as follows:
    - (1) Workmen's Compensation Statutory
    - (2) Public Liability Bodily Injury \$250,000/\$500,000
    - (3) Public Liability Property Damage \$100,000/\$300,000
    - (4) Automotive Public Liability and Bodily Injury \$250,000/\$500,000 and Property Damage \$100,000.
  - (c) The CONTRACTOR shall file certificates with the ENGINEER before beginning work, indicating that the above insurance is in effect for himself and all subcontractors, together with a statement that the insurance companies will not cancel or change the policies without first giving the ENGINEER ten (10) days notice in writing.
4. All ground lines shall be installed a minimum of 24 inches deep.
5. All excavations within the right-of-way shall be backfilled by compacting in 6 inch horizontal layers. Roadway crossings from crown line to crown line shall be compacted to a 95% proctor density. All surplus material shall be removed from the right-of-way and excavation finished flush with surrounding area. Any later

settlements shall be filled by hauling in material and refinishing flush with surrounding area.

6. Lines crossing under roadways shall:
  - a. Be placed at right angles thereto.
  - b. Be enclosed in a casing which extends from ditch line to ditch line.
  - c. Pipe used for casing shall be capable of supporting load of backfill plus road bed traffic; shall be continuous with no open joint from end to end; inside diameter shall be a minimum of 2 inches greater than the largest diameter of carrier pipe, joints or couplings; shall be bedded in backfill material which will not injure casing; shall be approved by the County Engineer before installation.
  - d. Be backfilled with road base material equal to that on road for top 8 inches of the ditch excavation.
7. No line shall be installed within 50 feet of either end of any bridge. No line shall be placed thru any culvert or within 10 feet to the closest point of same.
8. All lines parallel to roads shall be:
  - a. Placed as near the right-of-way line as possible.
  - b. Installed in or between ditch bottoms only with special permission of the County Engineer.
  - c. Never installed in road bed.
9. Lines crossing under paved roads shall be placed by boring. Boring shall extend ditch line to ditch line.
10. Paved roads which are impossible to bore because of rock may be open cut only with special permission of the County Engineer. Such cuts shall provide a straight neat line on the pavement and be of the minimum width necessary to accommodate casing. Such cuts shall be backfilled with concrete. Concrete shall be placed only after the ditch and installation is inspected by the County Engineer.
11. Overhead lines crossing roadways shall have a minimum clearance of 18 feet above the road surface.
12. Operations shall be performed in a manner that will keep all excavated material off the roadway. No equipment or procedure shall be used which will damage any road surface or structure. The cost of any repairs to road surface, road bed, structure, or right-of-way feature as result of this installation shall be borne by the owner of this line.
13. Barricades, warning signs, lights, and flagmen, as required by the most current edition of the Texas Manual on Uniform Traffic Control Devices, shall be provided by the contractor or owner.