

United Illuminating (UI) Information Sharing Agreement

United Illuminating (UI) prepared the Information Sharing Agreement (ISA) pursuant to Section 155 of Public Act 12-2 (PA 12-2) which provides that electric distribution companies share certain geographic information systems identifying utility pole data and locations (“GIS Information”) and the location of accounts that the electric distribution companies have coded as medical hardship, (“Medical Information”). If a City or Town would like UI to provide GIS Information and Medical Information, they need to send UI a written request for the Agreement. Once UI receives the request we will send out the agreement and the City must sign it. Below is an excerpt from the documented process that we have on file and the one my department follows. Each year the ISA must be updated. Updated GIS files can be sent quarterly to the town – ONLY UPON REQUEST. The Account Manager who is assigned to the Town oversees this process and is responsible for making certain that their towns are informed. We keep track of every step of the process, as we know with each major storm this becomes a hot issue. Of our 17 towns we currently have 9 that have taken advantage of this service (NOTE: One town requested not to receive information about medical coded customers).

Below is an excerpt from UI’s Operating Procedure.

PURPOSE

The purpose of this procedure is to outline the steps required for the sharing of specific GIS data that is available in UI’s GIS system with the seventeen (17) municipalities located within UI’s territory. Upon the request of the geographic information systems or geospatial information systems analyst or coordinator, or any equivalent official, of any municipality or of any regional planning agency, regional council of elected officials or regional council of governments, an electric company or electric distribution company shall provide to such analyst, coordinator or official any geographic information systems or geospatial information systems data for such electric or electric distribution company’s service area identifying utility pole data for poles owned or jointly owned by such company in such municipality or the area served by such regional planning agency, regional council of elected officials or regional council of governments. Such data shall include pole ownership, identification number, XY coordinate location, pole height, pole classification and wattage size of street lights or post lights.

CONSIDERATIONS

The United Illuminating Company’s specific GIS data will only be shared upon request from a Municipality and only after meeting the following criteria:

- ✓ Signed Information Sharing Agreement (ISA) must be on file with UI
 - The ISA will identify an approved recipient of the GIS data for the municipality.
 - The ISA will be current (not more than a year old)

- ✓ Request is received by pre-approved authorized recipient
- ✓ Data will only be updated upon request at designated intervals (quarterly). No more than 4 requests will be honored yearly.
- ✓ Data received will be specific to the requesting municipality.
- ✓ GIS data provided by UI will only include fields that have been preapproved by UI

STORMS: In addition, please note that days prior to any major event (like Sandy, Irene, and the October Winter Storm), UI follows the process where each town is sent a list of the medically coded customers (address, phone) and a script for them to advise these customers of the impending storm and how they should prepare. This is done many days in advance to a storm. UI also calls each of these customers (sometimes several times) in order to keep them informed of the impending weather conditions and possibility of extended outages. This is our company's standard operating procedure for storm preparedness.