

By His Excellency Dannel P. Malloy, Governor: an
Official Statement

WHEREAS, damage to underground utility facilities such as pipes, mains, cables or conduits can result in dangerous or costly leaks as well as fires, explosions or even fatalities, and such damage, and its consequences, are often preventable; and

WHEREAS, Call Before You Dig, Incorporated (CBYD), a non-profit clearinghouse composed of owners and operators of underground utility facilities in Connecticut, was created by state statute to guard against the accidental digging up of buried facilities; to protect the public whenever excavation, whether by digging, blasting or demolishing, is undertaken; to decrease utility service disruptions; and, to reduce the high cost of damage repairs; and

WHEREAS, CBYD regulations became effective in October of 1988 and gave the Department of Public Utility Control enhanced enforcement authority in the interest of public safety. Under law, individuals, contractors, utilities and public agencies planning to excavate with mechanized equipment must notify Call Before You Dig, Inc., at least two full working days before digging; and

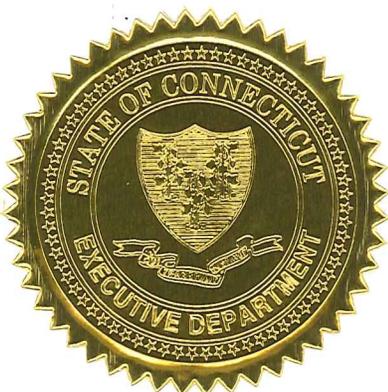
WHEREAS, with the CBYD system, one toll-free call does it all. Without any charge to the excavator, CBYD notifies all owners and operators of buried utilities so that all lines, cables, pipes and conduits can be located by their owners and marked in the field according to a standard color code. It is then the responsibility of the excavators to use reasonable care with the mechanized equipment and to hand dig when necessary; and

WHEREAS, Call Before You Dig, Inc., has a proven record of reducing damage to underground facilities, protecting property, and providing for the safety and welfare of both excavators and the general public; now

THEREFORE, to encourage our citizens both to become familiar with Call Before You Dig and to phone CBYD's statewide toll free number (1-800-922-4455) before excavating anywhere in the state, I, Dannel P. Malloy, Governor of the State of Connecticut, do hereby officially proclaim April 2011 as

CALL BEFORE YOU DIG MONTH

in the State of Connecticut.




GOVERNOR