

Wake County Utility Coordinating Meeting

Dominion Energy-South Raleigh Office

Located at 4211 Global Street, Raleigh, North Carolina 27610

March 26, 2019



Meeting Time:

The Wake County Utility Coordinating Meeting was called to order by Guy Smith with KCI Associates of North Carolina on Tuesday, March 26, 2019 at 11:03 am. Thank you for attending the Wake County Utility Coordinating Committee Meeting. We want to develop relationships and education about underground damage preventions and more importantly employee safety so that we all go home no worse than when we came in this morning. We want everyone to return home safely.

Total Members Present:

There was a total of **49** members that signed the roster and a total of **49** members present at today's meeting. **Members have been asked to please sign in so an accurate count of attendees for each meeting can be documented.**

Welcome of Members and Guest:

Guy Smith with KCI Associates of North Carolina welcomed everyone to the **3rd** UCC meeting of the year. Housekeeping rules given out for newcomers. Bathrooms are located out the double doors and straight down the hallway to the left. In case of a fire emergency, everyone should exit out through the double doors turn right into the hall way exiting out the door and walk towards the street and wait at the PSNC Energy Logo sign at the front of the entrance.

Blessing of the Food: Given by Sandra Johnson with Dominion Energy before breaking for lunch at 11:05 am.

Introduction of the Members and Guest:

Guy Smith with KCI Associates of North Carolina welcomed everyone again to today's meeting and a formal introduction of the guests and members from right to left announcing their name along with the company they are affiliated with.

Safety Moment:

Don Proctor with Dominion Energy brought up the subject about red light runners. On his trip coming from North Raleigh to South Raleigh Office he saw three red light runners. Please remind yourself to scan the intersection before you approach them. You might be right, but you might be dead right. When you get to a stop sign, please make a complete **STOP** and look twice before you drive any further. Watch out for those of us who are on two wheels and four wheels as well. It's becoming a real problem.

Justus Everett with ABE Utilities advise that they have traffic control set up on Spring Forest Road and yesterday right before lunch someone tapered through the paper. Always check your traffic control too.

Approval of Minutes:

First Approval: [Members Approve](#)

2nd the Motion: [Members Approve](#)

Old Business:

Sandra Johnson with Dominion Energy spoke about the upcoming contractor breakfast. The initial charge will be \$800.00 and that have been paid by Ken Griffin with PSNC Energy, Becoming Dominion Energy. It will take us about \$4,000.00 more to put this event on and sponsors and door prizes will ne needed. I will need to speak with Cassie about some concerns that I have but moving on for now. Guy Smith advise if you have door prizes we certainly would appreciate it as they are needed for this event. Also, Sandra Johnson advise would gather up some information about the contractor breakfast as management would like to see that in some sort of agenda or notification.

New Business:

Reggie Quander with Southern Cross advise that they are slammed on project. We have projects in Apex, Raleigh, and Durham. We are having the same issue with companies calling in 100 tickets at a time and there's just no way that you can work all those tickets. Then if you don't get to them then it turns into a three hour where you are working. I apologize that we are not getting the tickets worked in a timely manner and know that we are holding folks up, but right now just alone in Wake Forest we have about 300 projects and three hours of 100 of those tickets take away from other things that we need to do. We locate for PSNC Energy, Becoming Dominion Energy.

Robert Yu with USIC advise that the volume is up, and we are at a quick peak. We urge everyone to communicate with the technician or locators to not cause any corruptions or forbid anyone to get hurt. We want everyone to go home the same way as they arrived.

Critical Notification- Jimmy Petrie with the City of Raleigh advise that the contractors are doing a wonderful job out there. I would like to ask one thing. I have two supervisors who work for me and they both work Saturday and Sunday. We have two supervisors to watch pothole main. Please try to work with us on the weekend. If it's a commercial area that need to be done on the weekend that's one thing, but if it's a residential area try to refrain from the weekend. I'm not complaining as they do call.

Member advise that on the contractor side there's a huge amount of work and it's stressing the system big time. USIC and I meet regularly and standardize. We need to try to call in on what we only need. We are trying to manage and stream line things. There's a lot of work going on in this area and it's only going to get worse. We are committed to communicate and streamline. Just a two-way effective communication is the way that things must work. We've seen some improvements and hope that we can build from there.

ITS-Coaching Project Manager to white line jobs for locators. We also try to put a good person for contact on the locate ticket that knows the job and knows where it is going to start. We do joint trench, natural gas, and fiber. If the locator doesn't see the white line or white paint on the ITS jobs, then let me know as this is a good place to let me know. I think that white line helps a lot. White lining just tells you where we are going to be also good for micro trench. We are only going to go 8 inches deep just behind the curb. Reggie Quander with Southern Cross advise if you are putting down a white line then please make sure your ticket match what you are saying. We must do exactly what the ticket says.



Join us at the North Carolina State UCC Meeting to share and promote safety standards, prevent unnecessary damages to utilities infrastructure, and address common issues within the state of North Carolina. Please be prepared to discuss projects and any damages that have occurred since your last meeting. Lunch will be provided after the meeting.

****2019 Joint NC/SC Utilities Coordinating Committee Conference****

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Committee Conference
Sheraton Myrtle Beach Convention Center
May 1st – May 3rd, 2019**

Wednesday, May 1, 2019

Golf Outing: 12:00 pm at Myrtlewood Pine Hills Golf Course

Evening Reception

Thursday, May 2nd, 2019

General Sessions: Full Day

Friday, May 3rd, 2019

General Sessions: ½ Day

Hotel and Conference Registration Links at: www.scucc.org

****Locate Training will only be accepting 30-40 people for Class****

NC811 Presentation:

- Kevin Smith, Education Liaison for the Piedmont Triad Region presented the NC811 report for the month of March 2019.
- The NC811 Center statistics show that we received locate request totaling 167,125 in 2019 compared to 149,459 in 2018. That's a difference of 11.8%. Year to date tickets show 355,003 in 2019 and 301,918 in 2018. That's a difference of 17.6%.
- Transmissions locate ticket request show 910,174 in 2019 compared to 811,676 in 2018. Year to date tickets show 1,948,079 in 2019 compared to 1,653,587 in 2018. That's a difference of 17.8%.
- There was a total ticket volume of **20,614** for Wake County in March 2019. The average locate per day was **1,088**.

Meeting Events:

Spring into the Safe Digging at the Duke/PNG Demo Day on Wednesday, April 3, 2019 at the Charlotte Fire Training Academy at 1770 Shopton Road, Charlotte, NC 28217 starting at 9:00 am. You can RSVP Ronya Nabors at email address ronya.nabors@duke-energy.com

Meetings:

NC811 Board Meeting 1Q19 on April 26, 2019 at 8:30 am at DoubleTree by Asheville Hilton-Biltmore, North Carolina

NC Underground Damage Prevention Review Board on April 16, 2019 from 10 am to 4 pm at 2550 Operation Way, Raleigh, North Carolina.



Mission:

A collaboration of damage prevention stakeholders, partnering to reduce damages through data analysis and educational outreach.

Next UCC Meeting:

The next Wake County Utility Coordinating meeting will be held on Tuesday, April 30, 2019 at 11:00 am at [Dominion Energy- South Raleigh Office](#) located at 4211 Global Street, Raleigh, North Carolina.

Lunch will be provided by Guillermo J. Amaya with GAC Enterprises LLC. Thank you for providing lunch for us during this meeting.

Meeting Adjourned: The Wake County Utility Coordinating Meeting adjourned on March 26, 2019 at 12:12 pm.

[Minutes Prepared by Tiffany Elie with Dominion Energy, Telephone Number 919-836-2439](#)



