

**FORTISBC - SEAWATCH NEIGHBOURHOOD - SECHELT BC  
"THE SHORES"**
**Date of Issue: April 30, 2024**
**No: SO-GA 2019-04  
Revision: 01**

This safety order is issued pursuant to section 31 of the Safety Standards Act. A person affected by this safety order may appeal this order in writing to the Safety Standards Appeal Board within 30 days. The appeal process is set out on the Safety Standards Appeal Board's website at [www.gov.bc.ca/safetystandardsappealboard](http://www.gov.bc.ca/safetystandardsappealboard).

Failure to comply with a safety order is an offence under section 72 of the Safety Standards Act.

**Part 1: Details of Regulated Work or Regulated Product**

This safety order is being issued in relation to:

	Regulated Work – General			Regulated Product – General
	Regulated Work – Specific Class		<b>X</b>	Regulated Product – Specific Class
<b>X</b>	Specific Regulated Work			Specific Regulated Product

**Part 2: Requirement(s) of this Safety Order**

Upon receipt of this safety order, FortisBC shall comply with the following regarding the property located at: Seawatch Neighbourhood, Sechelt B.C. (The Shores – Phase 1 Subdivision) - Including 6629 to 6689 Gale Avenue North and 6644 to 6649 Seawatch Lane and 6450 and 6453 Crowston Road.

- By September 16, 2019, FortisBC must isolate and shutoff the natural gas supply line that serves the above noted property after submitting written notification of the intended action to the District of Sechelt and placing sufficient notice of the same, where permitted by the district at the impacted property.
- The above requirements to be witnessed and accepted by a Technical Safety BC gas safety officer at the time when the natural gas system is taken out of service.
- FortisBC shall not be permitted to reinstate the gas supply or allow the identified system to be placed back into operation until which time it can be successfully demonstrated, in advance, that the conditions that created the known hazards have been mitigated.

**Part 3: Details of Issue**

Due to potential future sinkholes or landslides this safety order is being issued to the following:

FortisBC, regarding the property and dwelling units located at: Seawatch Neighbourhood, Sechelt B.C. - Including 6629 to 6689 Gale Avenue North and 6644 to 6649 Seawatch Lane and 6450 and 6453 Crowston Road.

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This safety order is being issued to prevent, avoid, or reduce the risk of personal injury or damage to property due to identified land subsidence and geotechnical instability that has the potential to damage existing infrastructure such as underground utilities, thereby, creating gas leaks that could ignite causing a fire or explosion which may result in injuries, up to and including death, to any person that is within the vicinity.

**Part 4: Details of Ordering Safety Manager or Safety Officer**

I certify that I am authorized to issue this safety order in accordance with section 15 (d) of the Safety Standards Act or that I have been delegated this power under section 15 (g) of the Safety Standards Act.

Provincial Safety Manager - Gas

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***Safety Standards Act:*****Safety Orders**

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- (1) To prevent, avoid or reduce risk of personal injury or damage to property, a provincial safety manager may, in writing, issue a safety order.
  - (2) A safety order may be issued to any person in relation to any of the following:
    - (a) regulated work or regulated products generally;
    - (b) a specific class of regulated product or regulated work;
    - (c) a specific regulated product or regulated work.
  - (3) For certainty, a safety order issued under this section may apply to
    - (a) regulated work that meets the requirements under this Act,
    - (b) regulated work that previously met the requirements under this Act or a former Act but does not meet the current requirements under this Act,
    - (c) regulated products that meet the requirements under this Act, or
    - (d) regulated products that previously met the requirements under this Act or a former Act but do not meet the current requirements under this Act, including a regulated product that bears a certification mark.
  - (4) A safety order may specify any requirement that is intended to prevent, avoid or reduce the risk of personal injury or damage to property and may include any of the following orders:
    - (a) that an existing regulated work or regulated product must be made safe in compliance with the safety order;
    - (b) that a regulated product must be
      - (i) disconnected from a power source,
      - (ii) uninstalled, or
      - (iii) modified before continued use;
    - (c) that a regulated product must be operated, installed, manufactured or disposed of only as specified or that a regulated product must not be moved;
    - (d) that current or future regulated work or a regulated product must conform to the terms or conditions of the order;
    - (e) that a person take or refrain from taking any action that a safety manager considers necessary to prevent, avoid or reduce a risk of personal injury to persons or damage to property;
    - (f) that the manufacturer make reasonable efforts to recall the regulated product.
  - (5) The provincial safety manager must give written notice of the safety order to the following persons:
    - (a) the manufacturer of the regulated product;
    - (b) an owner of the regulated product if the identity of the owner is known to the provincial safety manager;
    - (c) the person in charge of the regulated work.
  - (6) The notice must state the reasons for the decision and that the person has the right to appeal the decision to the appeal board.
  - (7) Despite section 54, a safety order may not be stayed during an appeal.

**References:**

Safety Standards Act

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