# **Erna Edie**

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**Subject:** Vector Electricity Cable Location Enquiry for Sequence 6133846

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Dear Erna Edie,

Thank you for enquiring about the location of Vector's underground electricity cables in the vicinity of your planned work site at 11 Tarawera Terrace, Saint Heliers, Auckland, 1071. To confirm, the type of work you are undertaking is Trenching.

Our records identify that there are **Electricity High Voltage Cables** in the vicinity of your work site. <u>Click here</u> to go to our safety page from where you can download Vector's 'Guide to Working Safely'.

**IMPORTANT:** The obstruction plan and the terms of use are attached; the plan is valid for 28 days. **Vector reminds you of your responsibilities under the Health and Safety in Employment Act 1992, whereby you must establish the location of underground services before commencing excavation.** 

This response is for Vector's Electricity network only. We will respond separately by email, mail or phone if there are any Vector gas distribution pipes, Vector Communication cables or Vector gas transmission pipes which may also be in the vicinity of your work site.

For any further enquiries, please contact Vector on 0508 248 967.

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# **Underground Electricity Distribution Obstruction Plan Terms of Use**

#### This information is supplied to you on the following terms and conditions:

This plan is provided for reference purposes and while care has been taken in its preparation, Vector Limited does not accept any liability whatsoever for its accuracy and completeness and does not make any representation or warranty, express or implied in relation to the same.

This plan indicates the approximate location of Vector underground **electricity** assets only. Separate enquiries should be made to other utilities for the location of their services.

**Warning** – in the case of a sub-transmission joint bay, there may be a number of cables and oil lines not shown on the plan.

A loop of cable may be in the ground at the base of any pole and its position may not be fully detailed on the plan.

Services cables to a property may be shown. Where customer service connections are shown, these indicate the position where the cable crosses the front boundary only.

Vector is continually altering and expanding its network meaning that the attached information may become out of date. The plan is valid only at the date of issue as other equipment may have been installed subsequently. It is essential that any plan used is current at the time of excavation. Without limiting the foregoing, where plans are more than 28 days old they should not be used; a new plan should be requested from Vector.

Measurements and depths shown on the plan are an indication only. A physical check of the items on the plan should be undertaken to verify their exact location and other details. All equipment is shown diagrammatically only. In order to avoid interpretation difficulties, use only the original plans which you must print in colour and a legible format.

**Sub-transmission cables operate at higher voltages and are critical to the security of electricity supply over extensive areas.** Damage to these cables is extremely hazardous and very expensive to repair. Anyone proposing work in the vicinity of these cables must contact Vector prior to commencing works. A Vector representative will meet with you onsite to discuss your obligations and the dangers of working around Vector assets, as well as to perform a standover service. **Two full working days' notice is required prior to any excavation in the vicinity of a sub-transmission cable.** If the standover is expected to take longer than one day, we will need more than two full working days' notice in order to reschedule other work.

Vector reminds you of your responsibilities under the Health and Safety at Work Act 2015, whereby you must establish the location of underground services before commencing excavation. **If you fail to do so, you will be held liable for any loss or damage that you may cause.** 



Under no circumstances are you allowed to interfere with Vector's plant and equipment.



## Your legal requirements

The Ministry of Business, Innovation and Employment (MBIE) has set down minimum safe work practices for carrying out any work near electricity, gas and communications networks. See their 'Guide for Safety with Underground Services' which is available online.

There are also government laws and regulations that specify safe working practices which must be followed. These include:

- · Electricity Act 1992 and amendments.
- Health and Safety at Work Act 2015 and amendments.
- NZECP 34:2001 Electrical Safe Distances.

## A guide for working safely

Please also ensure all contractors have read 'A Guide to Working Safely' - Vector's guide to safe working practices when working near electricity, gas and communications networks.



Please see the Vector website <a href="http://www.vector.co.nz/safety/near-our-network">http://www.vector.co.nz/safety/near-our-network</a> to download the latest version of this booklet and other safety information when working near our assets.

## **Key contact numbers**



For underground obstruction plan requests (all areas), visit <a href="www.beforeudig.co.nz">www.beforeudig.co.nz</a> or call beforeUdig on **0508 248 967.** 



If you hit an electricity cable or overhead line please call us immediately on **0508 VECTOR** (0508 832 867).



If you hit any gas pipeline call the Fire Service first on **111**. If you hit a gas distribution pipe in the Auckland area call us on **0800 764 764**. If you hit a gas pipeline in the rest of the North Island call **FIRST GAS** on **0800 800 393**. If you hit a gas transmission pipeline call **FIRST GAS** on **0800 734 567**.



If you hit a communications cable (all areas) call us immediately on  $\bf 0800~826$   $\bf 436$  (select option 1)







