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## HOW TO MANAGE PROPANE TANKS AND CYLINDERS IN AREAS AFFECTED BY (INCIDENT)

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The recent fires have affected many areas in the County of \_\_\_\_\_ where propane gas is used for a variety of daily activities including home heating, cooking, and equipment operation. This factsheet provides guidelines in dealing with propane tanks in the fire- affected areas and the proper management of propane.

### HOME HEATING TANKS (generally 100 gallons or greater)

The County of \_\_\_\_\_ (Agency/Department) has been in contact with all major propane suppliers within the county. HMD has been advised that most of the suppliers will send service technicians to survey and inspect customer tanks that may have been affected by fire. Technicians will identify damaged tanks that will need to be repaired or replaced. If you are concerned that the propane tank has been damaged or would like to have a service technician inspect it, please call your propane service provider. **IF YOUR TANK IS LEAKING, PLEASE CALL 911 AND YOUR PROPANE SERVICE PROVIDER.**

If your tank has been affected by fire, it is recommended you replace it. Whether you own or rent/lease your propane tank, contact your service provider.

### PROPANE TANKS FOR BBQ's (5 GALLON SIZE)

Most of the companies specializing in propane sales and service in \_\_\_\_\_ County have indicated they are able to accept barbeque propane tanks that may have been affected by the fire.

If you purchased your tank at a local store through an exchange/service distributor such as PPX or Blue Rhino, contact the distributor directly to find out the locations where damaged tanks can be returned. It is not recommended that you return tanks affected by fire to retail stores directly. Retail stores may not be prepared to handle these types of tanks. **Please see phone numbers listed on the back page.** If you do not know where you purchased your barbeque propane tank, you may be able to return the tank at a local propane supplier. Call the propane supplier first to make arrangements. Proper

management of damaged propane tanks will protect you and your community. Please do your part to prevent injuries from propane tanks by:

✓ **Not transporting leaking BBQ propane tanks in your car**

✓ **Not disposing of BBQ propane tanks in the trash**

Please call the Environmental Health Services Materials Section at ( ) - if you have additional questions regarding the management of hazardous materials or visit our website at: \_\_\_\_\_

**Name**  
**Number**

**Address**

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