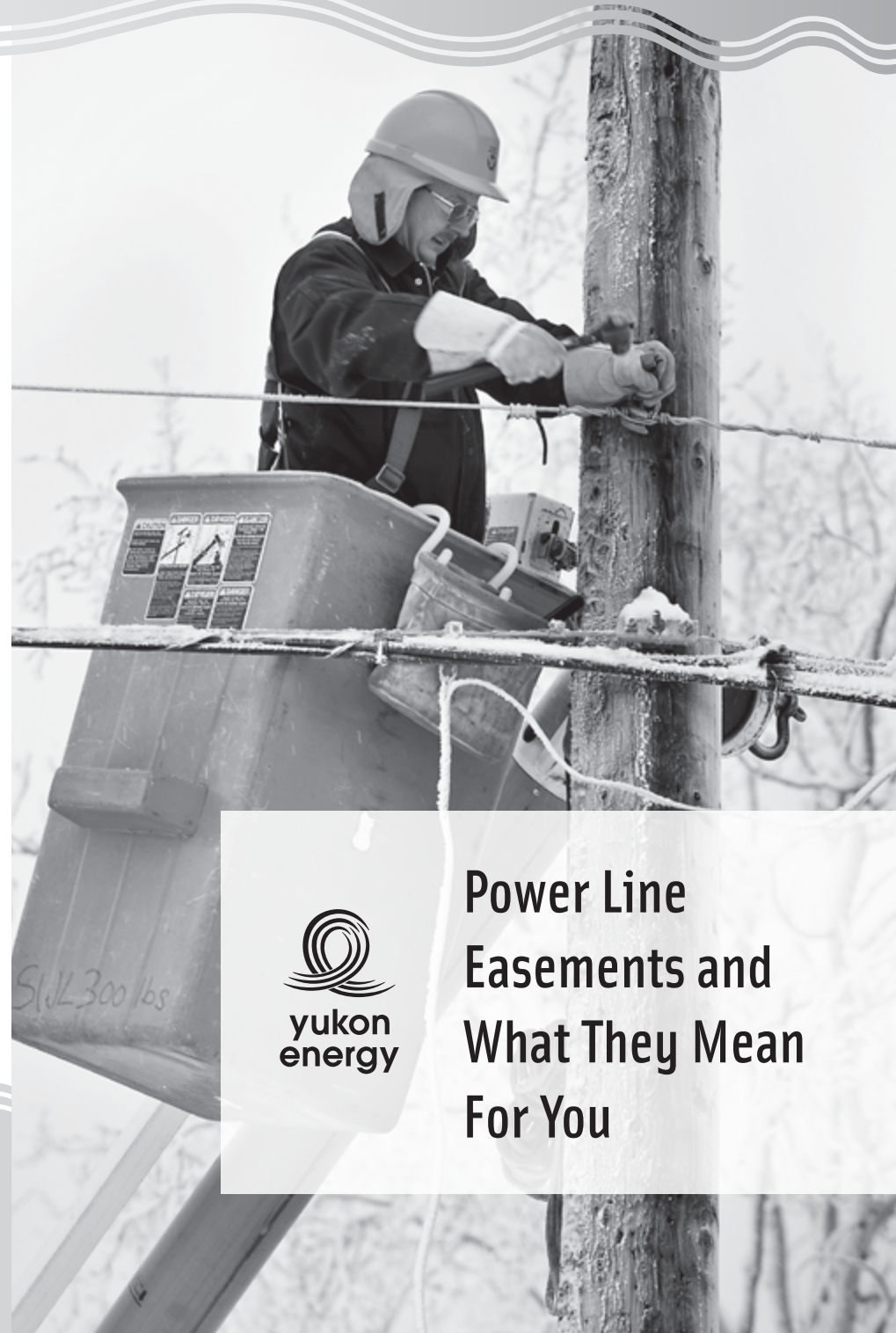


Because the easement agreements are legal documents, they can be difficult to read. This brochure is meant to help clarify the process and answer some questions you might have. You can speak with Yukon Energy at the contact information provided on the back of this brochure for assistance with the agreement.

For more information, contact our Land Technician in Whitehorse at **1-867-393-5300**.



Power Line Easements and What They Mean For You

Some Common Questions

Yukon Energy owns and maintains hundreds of kilometres of power lines, which carry electricity from our generating stations to customers throughout much of the territory. Poles and lines are designed to meet Canadian electrical code requirements and must be maintained to ensure Yukoners enjoy a safe and reliable source of electricity.

Some of the power lines cross private property, First Nations land, or land owned by a municipality or the Crown. Under regulations approved by the Yukon Utilities Board, the property owners are obligated to allow Yukon Energy employees to access their property to make repairs and do maintenance work on the poles and line.

Currently Yukon Energy is working with property owners to have easement agreements signed. The agreements outline the legal obligations of both Yukon Energy and the property owners. Once signed they give certainty to both parties.

- Q Does signing this agreement mean Yukon Energy becomes the legal owner of the land under the power line?**
- A** No. You would continue to own the land. The agreement merely gives Yukon Energy permission to go onto your property to repair or maintain our power lines.
- Q Will Yukon Energy cut down my trees near the lines?**
- A** Yukon Energy has a responsibility to provide safe and reliable power. To do that, there may be times we need to do some brushing near the line, which could include topping and/or trimming trees or other vegetation. However it is not Yukon Energy's intention to cut down any of your trees unnecessarily, and only within the required safety distance (as per code) from the power line.
- Q Can Yukon Energy remove outbuildings, fences, or clotheslines that are on my property?**
- A** Yukon Energy is only interested in maintaining the power lines. Unless safety or access is a concern, we would not remove outbuildings, fences or other structures. However if they encroach upon the safety distance to the power line (as per code), Yukon Energy will request that they be relocated away from the line. Plans for building new structures near the power line must be coordinated with Yukon Energy in advance of construction.
- Q If I sign this agreement, am I liable or responsible for Yukon Energy's materials and equipment located on my property?**
- A** Under most circumstances, no. Contact Yukon Energy for further details.
- Q Do I have to pay to have the Easement Agreement notarized?**
- A** No, there is no charge to you for having the document notarized.
- Q What if Yukon Energy causes damage to my property with its heavy equipment?**
- A** In all cases Yukon Energy will be respectful of your property should we need to gain access to do our work. If we do inadvertently cause damage, we will work with the property owner to find an acceptable solution by repairing the damage we have caused.
- Q What happens if I refuse to sign the easement agreement?**
- A** It is to our mutual advantage to have a signed agreement, as it helps Yukon Energy provide good electrical service to you and other Yukoners and it gives legal certainty to both parties. However if you don't sign, and there's a problem on the line running through your property, we are required by our regulator to go onto your land to make the necessary repairs. We would attempt to contact you before any work was done.
- Q Once I sign the easement agreement, what happens to it?**
- A** One copy is sent to you, a second copy is kept by Yukon Energy, and a third copy may be sent to the Land Titles branch of the Yukon government.