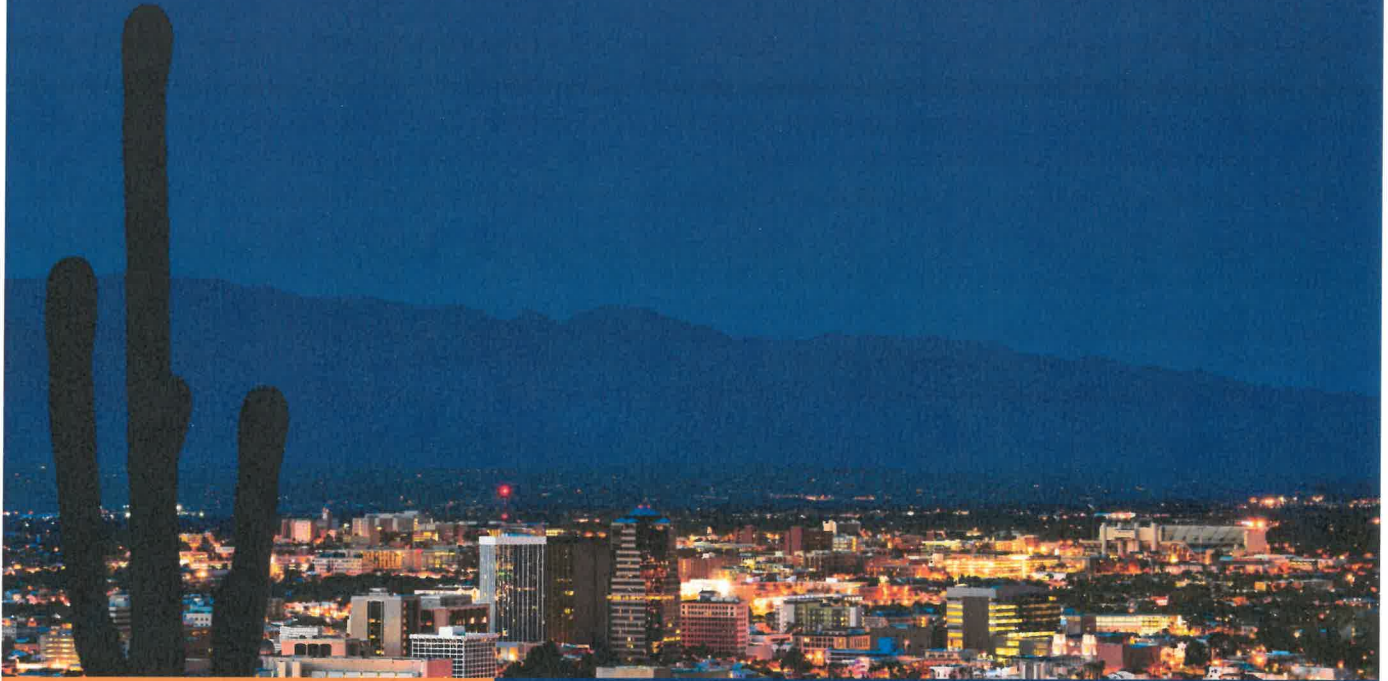


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**LIGHTNING RISK AWARENESS & HOMEOWNER
SAFETY PROCLAMATION**

Whereas, lightning activity is common throughout the U.S. and poses a risk for homeowners even with modern-designed homes, using new construction materials, lightning risks invariably remain;

Whereas, it is common sense to support efforts to enhance public safety through education and technology advancements;

Whereas, updated building codes and material standards can greatly enhance public safety generally and provide greater levels of protection against lightning for residential properties;

Whereas, legacy technology, specifically yellow corrugated stainless steel tubing (CSST), is a flexible gas piping system used to convey natural gas or propane to household appliances within homes and businesses;

Whereas, since 1990, yellow CSST has been installed in more than 7 million homes and businesses in the United States;

Whereas, the American Public Gas Association supports a homeowner awareness campaign to promote the proper bonding of yellow CSST to meet current National Fire Protection Association Codes to reduce the possibility of gas leaks and fires from lightning strikes;

Whereas, new technology advances have created a new generation of Protective Jacketed CSST products, which have been tested and listed to the ICC-ES PMG LC1027 standard;

Whereas, the ICC-ES PMG LC1027 lightning testing criteria provide for the highest safety standard for the Protective Jacketed CSST systems;

Whereas, the ICC-ES PMG LC1027-listed protective jacketed CSST has been available and used throughout the U.S. since 2010;

Whereas, various city and state code efforts have been initiated to add the ICC-ES PMG LC1027 listing requirement (in addition to the ANSI LC 1 listing for CSST) as a jurisdictional requirement for the installation of CSST in new construction;

Whereas, a proposal has been made to Canadian Standards Association (CSA), and has progressed to an ANSI LC 1 working group, to incorporate the arc-resistance testing requirements of ICC-ES PMG LC1027 into the ANSI LC 1 CSST performance standard;

Now therefore be it resolved that—

1. APGA commends ongoing efforts to promote and enhance public safety and consumer awareness on lightning safety and protection, and
2. APGA recommend, following a reasonable transition period, that code and standard bodies include the LC1027 requirement as an additional performance requirement in code and standards improvement work, thereby ensuring maximum protection and safety against potential injury and loss due to lightning strikes for American consumers.