

Ice and Snow Buildup on Your Natural Gas Meter can be Dangerous

Ice and snow tend to cover everything in Minnesota this time of year. When your natural gas meter is covered with snow and ice, it can create a potentially dangerous situation. The melting snow from your roof or eaves can drip onto your meter possibly blocking the vent on your meters regulator. A blocked vent on your meter could build up gas pressure that can expel gas back into your home or potentially cut gas flow and prevent your appliances and furnace from working properly. The next time you bundle up to go outside, take a closer look at your natural gas meter. If there is snow on the meter, GENTLY brush it clean with your hands or a broom. If the meter is covered with ice, give OPU a call and we'll send a service professional out to take care of it for you. OPU is committed to providing you safe, reliable service; we can be reached at 507-451-1616, 24 hours a day.