

## **Draft Language**

### **Oregon's Overhead Line Safety Act**

#### **(2<sup>nd</sup> Paragraph of Summary)**

The law provides that no work activities take place within 10 feet of a high voltage overhead power line until the following requirements are met:

1. The responsible party must notify the utility operating the line of the intended work activity.
2. The responsible party must assure, with assistance from the utility, that: (a) Adequate clearances from lines are maintained as prescribed by OAR 437-003-0047, or (b) All high voltage lines are properly de-energized and grounded: or (c) Non-conductive, insulating barriers (not attached or connected to the lines or equipment) are installed to prevent physical contact with the lines.

#### **(1<sup>st</sup> Paragraph under "Failure to Comply")**

Any party working within 10 feet of a high voltage overhead power line without notifying the proper utility and complying with the clearance and safeguard requirements of OAR 437-003-0047 (located in ORS 654) will be held directly responsible.