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### ***RLD Warns Eastern New Mexico About Dangerous Furnace Installations***

**SANTA FE, N.M.** – The Construction Industries and Manufactured Housing Division (CID/MHD) of the Regulation and Licensing Department is warning residents of Eastern New Mexico about recently installed furnaces that have been improperly installed, causing life-safety concerns.

The improper use of materials and faulty installations can cause furnaces to leak gas into homes causing respiratory distress, carbon monoxide poisoning, and explosive hazards.

The Liquid Petroleum Gas Bureau initially discovered 15 Goodman brand furnaces that were installed incorrectly and using improper materials. The Bureau has since discovered over a dozen more furnaces that pose life-safety risks.

“I strongly urge everyone in the affected area, who has recently had a Goodman furnace installed, to please call us,” said Mike Unthank, Superintendent of the New Mexico Regulation and Licensing Department “It is of the utmost importance that furnaces be properly installed and inspected; call us and we will ensure that your furnace is safe to use.”

The improperly installed Goodman furnaces, that have been identified, were installed between 2007 and 2015 and have been found in and around the towns of Tucumcari, Logan, San Jon, House, and Nara Visa. The furnaces have been installed in commercial and residential buildings, including manufactured homes.

If you think you have or know of an affected furnace, please contact the LP Gas Bureau at [cid.lpgas@state.nm.us](mailto:cid.lpgas@state.nm.us), or you can call the Albuquerque Office at 505-222-9808 or Clay Bailey, LP Gas Bureau Chief at 505-269-6710.

“Before hiring a contractor, please call our office or use our website to verify credentials so we can help protect you from dishonest individuals trying to make a quick buck,” said Pat McMurray Director of the Construction Industries Division.

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- Ensuring that construction is performed in a safe, competent, and professional manner;
- Licensing contractors and enforcing licensing laws;
- Requiring licensure for any person practicing or offering to practice construction contracting;
- Enforcing the laws, regulations, and standards governing construction contracting in a fair and uniform manner;
- Providing resolution to disputes that arise from construction activities.

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