UTILITY FAILURES

Disruption or failure of any utility is to be reported immediately to Facilities Management Work Control at 278-6242 during the work day or to the Department of Public Safety during other periods at 278-6851.

ELECTRICAL FAILURE

1. Turn off or unplug electrical equipment that may be a hazard if unattended when power resumes.

2. Instructors, supervisors or technicians should secure experiments or activities that may present a danger with electrical power off or if it comes back on unexpectedly.

3. If evacuation is required, use stairways. Do not attempt to use elevators. Seek out disabled persons and assist as needed.

4. When mechanical ventilation is interrupted, vapors of chemicals may reach hazardous concentrations. To avoid this, use natural ventilation and clean up or put away chemicals and close containers. If this is not possible, respirators may be required until control is obtained.

5. Most major campus buildings are equipped with an emergency light system that will provide enough illumination in corridors and stairs for safe exiting. It is advisable for departments to have some flashlights and extra batteries available.

WATER LEAKS/PLUMBING FAILURES

1. Cease using all electrical equipment, vacate the area and call Facilities Management Work Control at 278-6242.

NATURAL GAS FUMES/SUSPECTED LEAK

1. Do not attempt to find leak or shut off utility valves; notify Facilities Management Work Control at 278-6242 and call 911.

2. Cease all operations and immediately vacate the area.

3. Do not switch on or off any lights or electrical equipment. Electrical arcing can trigger an explosion!