

## COLLECTING POLE NUMBERS FROM POWER POLES

### Transmission Line Right-of-Ways

- 1. What is a pole number?** Each power pole has a yellow plate aligned vertically, containing six black numbers, installed on it approximately 10 feet off the ground. These numbers are unique for each pole and are tied to our GIS mapping system. If you encounter a pole lacking these numbers, try to obtain the pole numbers from an adjacent pole on the same line and indicate its location and number on the encroachment request drawing. **Make sure your drawings include all poles that are on either side and/or near the requested encroachment(s).**
- 2. Why do we need them?** Each encroachment request should include the pole numbers of the power poles affected by the encroachment activity. Even if no poles are located on the property, pole numbers will be needed for the nearest two poles that stand on either side of the property. We reference these numbers when verifying the width of the right-of-way, the location of easement documents, and in the letter of agreement that is written for approved encroachments.
- 3. Why do I have to collect them?** If you require verified right-of-way information prior to preparing your drawing, we will need the pole numbers to complete this research. Also, with the right pole numbers, the encroachment review process can be handled more quickly. A detailed drawing with pole locations and pole numbers improve our turn around time for most encroachment requests. Many encroachment requests are submitted by professional engineers, surveyors and developers who have the staff to collect this information. However, if you are unable to collect pole numbers, please let us know and we will assist.

**An example of a TEFIS number:**



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