



# POSITIVE RESPONSE CODES

## General

Section 3. (x) of Public Act 174 states “Positive response” means the procedure administered by the notification system to allow excavators to determine whether all facility owners or facility operators contacted under a ticket have responded in accordance with this act.

It is a system housed in the MISS DIG 811 system that allows facility owner/operator members or their contract locators to provide the “status” of tickets sent to them by MISS DIG 811. Once the status (e.g., “no conflict” or “marked”) is determined, the facility owner/operator or their contract locator can post to the system in the form of a response code. The posted response code is then attached to the ticket and stored on the Positive Response server. The posted status can then be retrieved by the contractor/excavator.

A facility owner/operator member must post a response code for all tickets received. A ticket is transmitted to a facility owner/operator member when the work polygon drawn on the ticket, either by the MISS DIG 811 NSR or the OneCallAccess user, intersects with the area of interest (AOI) within a member’s station.

## Positive Response Codes Based on Ticket Type & Status

The Pelican system requires use of comments with every Positive Response code.

<b>Normal 21-Day, Project 21-Day, Normal 180-Day, Project 180-Day, Short Notice, Emergency, Unmarked Facilities, Additional Assistance, and Destroyed Markings</b>	
001 – NO CONFLICT	Dig with caution following PA 174 requirements: Facility is outside of stated area/scope of excavation.
002 – MARKED	Dig with caution following PA 174 requirements: Facilities have been marked.
003 – NOT COMPLETE	Do NOT dig: Locating was not completed because more time is needed; coordination or assistance required to complete the locating of the facility.
004 – MARKED UTILITY REQUIRED ONSITE	Dig with caution following PA 174 requirements: Facility owner/operator required to be on-site when excavating within the noted scope of work for this specific facility.



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## Auto-Response Codes

<b>Design</b> <i>(Positive Response by member not required)</i>	
201 – NO FACILITIES IN DRAWN POLYGON	No facilities in mapped/drawn polygon
202 – TASK COMPLETED	Facility owner/operator sent record drawings to design
203 – MARKING REQUIRED	As designed in PA 174 Section 6a paragraph (3)

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000 – RESPONSE PENDING	Do not dig: Legal start date and time has not started. This is a system-generated response.
010 – EXEMPT FROM MARKING	Dig with caution following PA 174 requirements. As defined in PA 174 Section 460.727 Sec. 7 (9). This is a system-generated response.
011 – NO MEMBERS IN WORK POLYGON	Dig with caution following PA 174 requirements. There are no member facility owner/operators to notify in the drawn polygon. This is a system-generated response.
012 – POSSIBLE ABANDONED FACILITY	Dig with caution following PA 174 requirements. There may be an abandoned facility in the proposed excavation area. This is a system-generated response.
013 – CANCELED TICKET	Do not dig. The dig notice was canceled. This is a system-generated response.
999 – HAS NOT RESPONDED	Do not dig: Facility owner/operator did not provide a response by the response due date and time. Retransmit ticket for unmarked facilities. This is a system-generated response.



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## Additional Response Information

Private Locator Responses	
301 – CONTACTED REQUESTOR	No locate performed
302 – CONTACTED REQUESTOR	Locate performed

Excavator Positive Response Check
Excavators required to check off a box on Positive Response page before placing a RXMT to confirm they checked before beginning per PA 174