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# H. R. LABOUNTY SAFETY AWARD PROGRAM NOMINATION FORM



**Agency:** Sweetwater Authority

**Employee Nominated:**

**Name:** James Davis and Lane Miller

**Job Classification:** Utility Worker II & Welder II/Utility Worker II

**Reason for Nomination:** Replacing leaking/broken water meter turn off valves is a daily occurrence for Sweetwater's Distribution field staff. One of the key tools used to remove the valves is a "Y" wrench. When the valves are in a small meter box the "Y" wrench doesn't always get a good grip and slips on the fittings. James and Lane redesigned the "Y" wrench so that the wrench now grips the valves every time. The new design is more ergonomic, and reduces the chances finger and hand injuries due to wrench slippage.

**Nominated by:** Sweetwater Authority

**Signature:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Date:** \_\_\_\_\_

**General Manager:** James L. Smyth

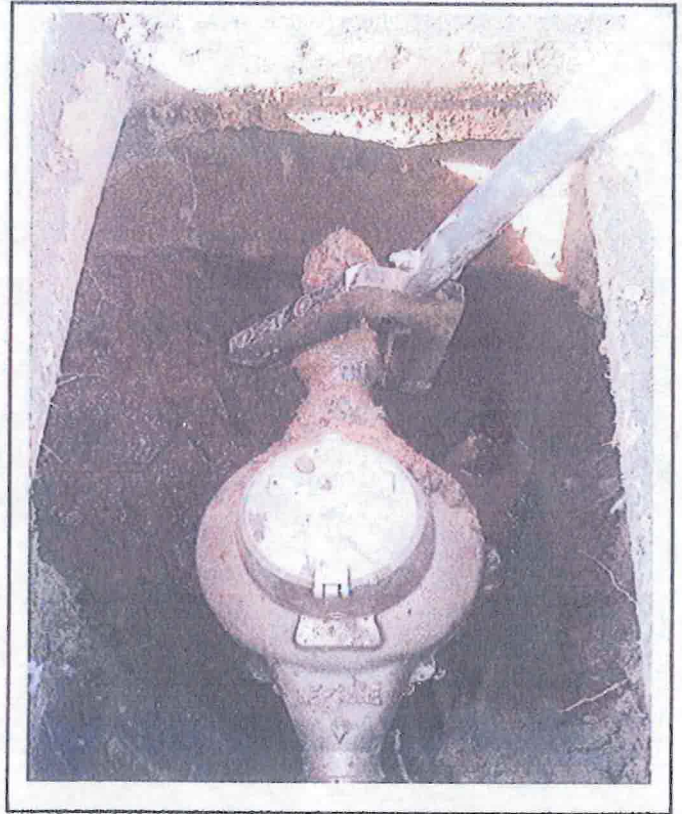
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Old style 'Y' wrench



Redesigned 'Y' wrench

