

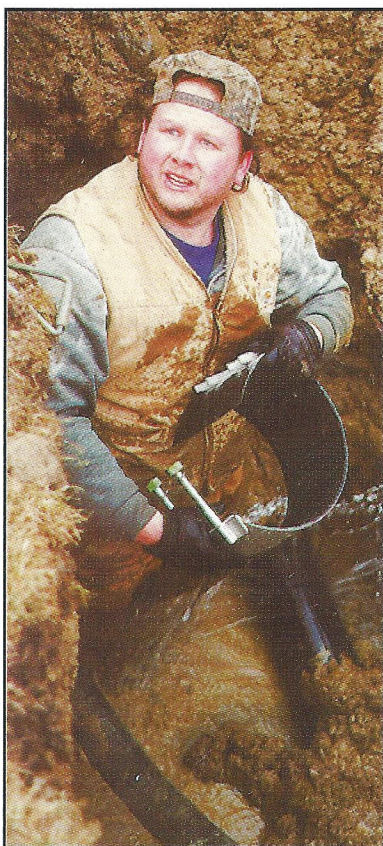
# The Meter Setter

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## WATER CREWS TO THE RESCUE!

On a cold and quiet Sunday afternoon the sound of a backhoe breaks the wintertime silence in North Central Indiana. A broken water main needs repaired. Although this scene is repeated thousands of times every year, most of us take for granted the effort expended to ensure continuous water service to our homes.



Jim Cole Jr., ankle deep in mud and water, readies a Ford repair clamp for installation.

Thousands of repair clamps are shipped throughout the country each month from our Pell City, Alabama, facility. To most Americans these clamps are no more than bands of stainless steel and rubber until the water service affected is their own. A repair clamp, and the people who install it, take on special importance when the water from the home faucet trickles to a stop.

The Ford Meter Box Company appreciates and recognizes the thousands of repair crews who strive to maintain water service to our homes and businesses. The work is not glamorous, and is often dangerous and unpleasant, but it is of utmost importance. Ford salutes the men and women of America's water utility maintenance crews. Our thanks to all of you.



L to R; Jim Cole Jr., Chad Hacker and Joe Funk of the Huntington, Indiana Water Department wait as water is pumped from the hole.



The parting shot. Another Ford repair clamp is buried, never to be seen again!



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