

**WAC 296-45-17535 Releasing stored energy.** Following the application of lockout or tagout devices to energy isolating devices, all potentially hazardous stored or residual energy must be relieved, disconnected, restrained, or otherwise rendered safe.

(1) If there is a possibility of reaccumulation of stored energy to a hazardous level, verification of isolation must be continued until the servicing or maintenance is completed or until the possibility of such accumulation no longer exists.

(2) Before starting work on machines or equipment that have been locked out or tagged out, the authorized/designated employee must verify that isolation and deenergizing of the machine or equipment have been accomplished. If normally energized parts will be exposed to contact by an employee while the machine or equipment is deenergized, a test must be performed to ensure that these parts are deenergized.

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