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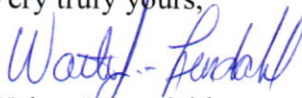
Re: **Notice of Testing Protocol Conference Concerning the Investigation by the Department of Public Utilities Regarding the Release of Natural Gas at 1212 V.F.W. Parkway, West Roxbury, MA on May 12, 2018.**

Dear Ms. Feeney:

Attached is a copy of the Notice of Testing Protocol Conference regarding the Release of Natural Gas at 1212 V.F.W. Parkway, West Roxbury, MA on May 12, 2018.

Please post a copy of this notice in the Boston City Hall.

Very truly yours,


Walter J. Lundahl

Enclosure

cc: Michael F. Flaherty, Boston City Council (with enclosure)
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DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC UTILITIES

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Investigation by the Department of Public Utilities Regarding the Release of Natural Gas at 1212 V.F.W. Parkway, West Roxbury, MA, on May 12, 2018.

NOTICE OF TESTING PROTOCOL CONFERENCE

On May 12, 2018, an incident involving a release of natural gas occurred in West Roxbury, MA, that resulted in significant property damage to 1212 V.F.W. Parkway. Boston Gas d/b/a National Grid operates the natural gas distribution system at this address in West Roxbury. The Department of Public Utilities ("Department") is investigating the incident. 49 U.S.C. § 60105; G.L. c. 164, § 105A; 220 CMR 69.00.

For the purposes of determining the possible causes of the release of natural gas and minimizing the possibility of a recurrence, a laboratory analysis of the pipe specimen retrieved from 1212 V.F.W. Parkway, West Roxbury will be conducted. 49 C.F.R. §§ 192.605, 192.617. This analysis may include destructive testing. Any person that may be substantially and specifically affected by this testing may retain representation to comment on a testing protocol and to witness laboratory analysis.

The Department will conduct a testing protocol conference on **Thursday, August 9, 2018, at 10:00 a.m.** at Massachusetts Materials Research, Inc., 1500 Century Drive, West Boylston, Massachusetts, solely to establish a testing protocol on the pipe specimens. The recovered pipe specimens will be available for visual inspection.

Any person that may be substantially and specifically affected by this investigation and who wishes to comment on the testing protocol, and observe the testing, must file a written request with Richard Wallace, Director, Pipeline Engineering and Safety Division, Department of Public Utilities, One South Station, 5th Floor, Boston, Massachusetts 02110, richard.wallace@mass.gov, no later than **Friday, August 3, 2018**.



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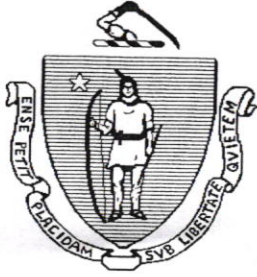
ORDER OF NOTICE

Boston Gas d/b/a National Grid ("Operator") shall, no later than **July 26, 2018**, publish the attached Notice of Testing Protocol Conference in either The Boston Globe or the Boston Herald. The Operator shall also, no later than **July 26, 2018**, serve copies of this Notice by first class mail (by email where necessary) on the City Clerk and City Council of Boston (with a request that the municipal officer/recipient post a copy of this notice in the Boston City Hall), the Boston Fire Department, the Office of the State Fire Marshal, the Department's Interested Persons list (attached), and on all persons who have contacted the Operator regarding this matter. The Operator shall make return of service and proof of publication to the Department at the time of the testing protocol conference.

By Order of the Department,

/s/

Mark Marini, Secretary
Department of Public Utilities



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