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South Jersey Gas to Begin Construction in Egg Harbor Township as Part of Safety and Reliability Enhancements

FOLSOM, N.J., July 2, 2018 – South Jersey Gas advises residents, business owners and motorists in Egg Harbor Township that construction work will begin on or about Monday, July 9 (weather permitting) to enhance its infrastructure as part of the Accelerated Infrastructure Replacement Program. The work is expected to be completed by October 2018.

Natural gas main upgrades will take place along E. Black Horse Pike (US-322) from Lowell Avenue to Spruce Avenue. Work will also be performed on side streets, including Lehigh Avenue, Mt. Vernon Avenue and Heggen Avenue.

To ensure safe travel, there will be lane closures with appropriate traffic control personnel directing motorists and pedestrians around all work. In addition, there may be some road closures on select narrow side streets where work will be performed. Residents and businesses along these streets will have access to and from their properties at all times.

The program's primary focus is the accelerated replacement of aging bare steel mains with more durable plastic pipe, providing significant safety and reliability benefits for customers.

All excavations will be restored on a daily basis. A temporary repair will be made in most cases until the final restoration occurs. Openings in concrete will be temporarily patched with asphalt until final restoration with concrete occurs. Final restorations and paving in the area are anticipated to be completed by fall 2018. All restorations are completed in compliance with local and county regulations.

South Jersey Gas or its contractor will contact customers to gain access to properties with gas service to complete this work. Work will take place Monday through Friday from 7:00 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. Some night work will be performed along E. Black Horse Pike. There is a possibility that work will be performed some Saturdays during the same timeframe.

If residents have questions or would like more information about this project, please contact the South Jersey Gas Atlantic Division at 609-645-2690, extension 6459 and reference the Black Horse Pike and Others 2 Project.

ABOUT SOUTH JERSEY GAS

South Jersey Gas, subsidiary of SJI (NYSE:SJI), delivers safe, reliable, affordable natural gas and promotes energy efficiency to approximately 385,000 residential, commercial and industrial customers in Atlantic, Cape May, Cumberland, Salem, and portions of Gloucester, Burlington and Camden counties in New Jersey. Visit www.southjerseygas.com to learn more about South Jersey Gas and its programs.

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Below is advance construction notice from South Jersey Gas for our neighbors, customers and business owners regarding a natural gas main renewal project in Egg Harbor Township.

South Jersey Gas will upgrade pipeline facilities along E. Black Horse Pike (US 322) starting in July 2018. Work is anticipated to be completed by October 2018.

Why is this project being performed?

We are replacing our natural gas main as part of our normal operating procedures and planned replacement schedule.

Is South Jersey Gas performing this project or subcontracting the work?

South Jersey Gas will use prequalified contractors to perform this work.

Are there any risks associated with this project?

South Jersey Gas, along with all prequalified contractors working on this project, will follow all required operating standards and procedures to ensure public safety while we complete this work.

Where is this project taking place?

Work will take place along E. Black Horse Pike, Lehigh Avenue, Mt Vernon Avenue, and Heggen Avenue.

Work on E. Black Horse Pike will be completed first, followed by the side streets.

Will there be any road closures as a result of this work?

To ensure your safe travel, there will be lane closures with appropriate traffic control personnel directing motorists and pedestrians around all work. In addition, there may be some road closures on select narrow side streets where work will be performed. **Residents and businesses along these streets will have access to and from of their properties at all times.**

During what hours will crews perform this work?

Work will take place Monday through Friday, from 7:00 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. There is a possibility that work will be performed some Saturdays during the same timeframe. Additionally, portions of work along the Black Horse Pike will be performed at night to comply with New Jersey Department of Transportation lane closure restrictions.

Will you replace my meter as a result of this work?

Your gas meter may need to be replaced depending on its location, age and condition.

Will SJG or its contractors need to access my property?

Yes, we will need access, because this process requires us to temporarily shut off natural gas service. Additionally, if your meter is currently located inside your home or business, we will need access to relocate it outside.

Will my natural gas service be interrupted during this work?

Every effort will be made to restore your gas service as quickly as possible. Typically, all work is completed within 8 hours, but this time may vary depending on the installation process.

Will excavation work occur in front of my home or business?

Excavations will be required at the gas main, located in the street. In the event your service line running to your home or business also needs to be replaced, excavation work may also occur at the service line.

Will I have continuous access to my property, including my driveway?

Yes, you will always have access to your property.

Will there be any disruption to my property?

We may dig on your property as part of this project. In most cases, a temporary repair will be made until the final restoration occurs. Openings in concrete may be temporarily patched with asphalt until final restoration with concrete occurs. Openings made in grass in the winter may not be restored until there is warmer weather to facilitate grass growth.

Who can I contact if I have questions about this project?

If you have questions or would like more information about this project, please contact the South Jersey Gas Atlantic division at (609) 645-2690 and reference the Black Horse Pike & Others 2 project.

Thank you in advance for your cooperation.