



July 31, 2020

Re: Notification of Environmental Remediation to Begin Week of August 3, 2020

Former Harrison Gas Plant Site (NJDEP Program Interest # 004160)
2000 Frank E. Rodgers Blvd., Town of Harrison, Hudson County, NJ

Dear Property Owner or Tenant:

On or about the week of August 3, 2020, Public Service Electric and Gas Company (PSE&G), our consultants and contractors will begin to mobilize personnel and equipment to the PSE&G property at 2000 Frank E. Rodgers Blvd. to prepare for environmental remediation of the property.

The PSE&G site, approximately 32 acres in size, once operated as a manufactured gas plant (MGP) from 1926 until 1963, when it was converted to peak shaving status. The former plant was retired after the winter of 1986-1987 and decommissioned in 1992. Prior to the widespread availability of natural gas, gas was “manufactured” at MGP facilities through a process of heating coal in a specialized oven. Manufactured gas was used for residential and street lighting, and cooking. An unintended consequence of the MGP industry was the effects from coal tar and various byproducts to the environment. Since the late 1990s, PSE&G has been working to investigate and remediate these impacts. Several portions of the site were remediated between 2004 and 2018.

Focus of Upcoming Work

The upcoming sitewide remediation will focus on addressing the remaining impacts to soils, which may also have positive impacts on groundwater at the property. PSE&G is conducting this work to fulfill its obligations to the New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection (NJDEP) in accordance with the rules and regulations of the state and to ensure the property’s continued beneficial use. There are no plans currently in place for the property’s future use.

Approximately 360,000 tons of soil and debris from the target areas, as well as the remnants of the former plant’s infrastructure found within those areas, will be removed and trucked off site to facilities where it will be thermally treated and beneficially reused, or disposed of at a licensed facility.

Based on the successful results of the 2018 Pilot Study, deeper impacted soils will be treated in place through a process called In Situ Solidification and Stabilization (ISS), which involves mixing impacted soils in place, below ground, with stabilizing agents such as Portland cement and blast furnace slag. One benefit of this remedial approach is that, in comparison to excavation, it requires far fewer trucks to enter and exit the site. Impacted soils in the vicinity of the active Meter and Regulating (M&R) Station and its infrastructure will remain in place but contained through installation of below ground slurry walls.

PSE&G’s top priority is protecting the health and safety of our customers, employees and the communities we serve.

The PSE&G project will follow the guidelines and directives issued by the New Jersey Department of Health, the CDC and the Occupational Health and Safety Administration, as applicable, for maintaining a clean, safe and healthy work environment. PSE&G personnel and contractors are required to participate in social distancing and wear appropriate gloves and face coverings during all work activities.

All work will be done according to the guidance and protocols of the NJDEP and under the direction of the Licensed Site Remediation Professional of record. A fact sheet with additional information on the site's history and additional project details is enclosed.

Work Schedule

The work will be completed in two phases. Work hours for both phases will be weekdays, during daylight hours. This is typically 7 a.m. – 5:30 p.m.

Phase 1: July 2020-July 2021

Work will focus on open areas outside of existing buildings and the active M&R station and infrastructure.

Phase 2: May 2021-December 2022

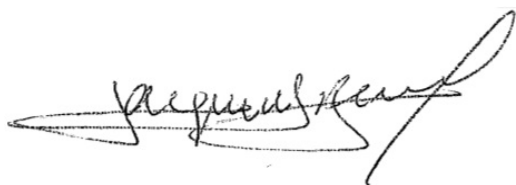
Buildings targeted for demolition will be removed and the remaining remedial work will be completed. Several of the utilities servicing the M&R station will be cut and capped and new lines will be installed and connected within a clean utility corridor.

Committed to Keeping the Community Informed

PSE&G is committed to keeping the Town of Harrison and Hudson County, our neighbors and on-site personnel informed of the project's progress and schedule, as well as what to expect during remediation. We encourage you to visit the project website www.HarrisonMGP.com if you would like additional information about the project. We will be posting weekly updates and photos of the work throughout our progress.

If you have questions or concerns, **please call the PSE&G Harrison MGP Project Information Line at (855) 356-2383** or email us at comments@HarrisonMGP.com. Project Community Liaisons Kelly Henry or John McKeegan will respond to your call.

Sincerely,



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Enclosure

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