

Dear PSE&G customer:

We are writing to let you know that PSE&G will be working on your street to replace old gas pipes with new, durable plastic and/or coated steel piping – ensuring the continued safety and reliability of our gas system.

These upgrades are part of PSE&G's three-year program to replace up to 510 miles of aging gas infrastructure throughout New Jersey. In addition, PSE&G will be upgrading 38,000 associated service lines that carry the gas to homes and businesses.

The new pipes will improve reliability, reduce the possibility of methane leaks, and enable the installation of excess flow valves on service lines. These valves dramatically reduce gas flow if a pipe is damaged. The elevated pressure of the new gas mains will also provide better support for high-efficiency appliances like furnaces and water heaters.

- **To upgrade the gas mains, we will dig trenches, primarily in road surfaces, and lay new pipes block by block.** As a result, there may be short-term road closures and/or detours. Local police will be on the scene to direct vehicle and pedestrian traffic. At the end of each workday, the trenches will be filled in. Plates will be secured on any open areas so people can safely drive and walk. We may also need to temporarily store material in the area required to complete our work.
- **Once the gas mains are upgraded in the street, PSE&G will need to access your home to connect the service line and gas meter to the new gas main.** We will contact homeowners to arrange a date and time to do the work. During this reconnection, you can expect to be without gas service for about 4 hours. We regret any inconvenience this may cause. Also, the amount of digging required to access and connect your service line to the new gas main depends on the path and configuration of your service line.
- **When work is finished, we will repair roads with temporary pavement until the ground settles.** This takes about 45 to 90 days, depending on the weather and soil conditions. PSE&G then restores the roads with permanent paving in accordance with town ordinance and paving requirements.

Work will begin on Glenn Avenue in Ridgewood on or about 5-2-16, if you have any questions regarding this project please contact Greg Papp 201-337-2501

We appreciate your patience and cooperation as we work to complete these important upgrades to our gas system.