



NEWS RELEASE From Mayor Dean DePiero

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COLUMBIS GAS PIPELINE PROJECT TO BENEFIT RESIDENTS IN TWIN LAKES AREA

(PARMA) – Columbia Gas of Ohio will begin this week to replace 13,000 feet of pipeline in the Twin Lakes area of Parma, a \$1.7 million safety project to replace aging service lines to homes and relocating interior gas meters to areas outside the homes. A public meeting to discuss the project will be held Thursday, September 2 at 7:00 p.m. in City Council Chambers at Parma City Hall, 6611 Ridge Road.

“This is a good project for our local residents and the city,” said Parma Mayor Dean DePiero. “It is a safety project that will prevent the potential for leakage in steel pipes that are old and deteriorating. The new delivery system will be a safer one that will last for years to come.”

Columbia Gas says about 370 customers will be impacted by the project that will be completed by the end of the year. There may be some temporary disruptions in traffic, but Columbia Gas says it does not anticipate any road closures. Signage and construction barrels will be used where needed to alter the flow of traffic.

Columbia Gas has already mailed letters detailing construction plans to residents living on the targeted streets. In addition, residents will be contacted before work begins on or near their property and will receive updates throughout the construction. According to Columbia, some digging will be necessary because all natural gas lines are buried. The company says workers will do as little digging as possible, adding any disrupted landscaping will be restored, and that its goal is to refrain from breaking concrete along driveways or sidewalks.

Work is planned on the following streets: Pearl Road, Chestnut Hills Drive, Thornton Road, Bremen Avenue, Dorothy Avenue, Snow Road, Bavaria Avenue, Twin Lakes Drive, Dresden Avenue and Westminster Drive.

Additional information on the project can be found on the City of Parma website, www.cityofparma-oh.gov. Residents can also call the Columbia Gas Customer Service Center at 800-344-4077 or check online at www.ColumbiaGasOhio.com to access a list of questions and answers about the replacement project.

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