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Columbia Gas Announces Pipeline Replacement Project

Work now taking place in northern part of Mount Vernon

MOUNT VERNON, June 4, 2024 – Columbia Gas has announced plans to install 1,500 feet of new plastic pipe serving about 20 customers on the north side of Mount Vernon, along Nuce Road and Marma Drive. This project will clear a conflict with existing gas infrastructure ahead of the City's Dan Emmett Neighborhood Revitalization Project.

Specifically, the contractor Global Energy Partners will be laying pipe along the entirety of Nuce Road from Mansfield Avenue east to just short of Decatur Drive, and north along Marma Drive from Nuce to just short of Northgate Drive.

Preconstruction work has already been in progress. Residents in the affected area may notice markers and flags appearing in yards. Those are being used to mark the locations of underground facilities, and Columbia Gas asks that residents leave them in place until the work is completed.

Installation of the new mainline is taking place this week of June 3, 2024. Once the mainline is in and put into service, crews will follow up with service line replacements for individual homes. These will take about two to four hours per property and include a brief service disconnection. Indoor meters will be relocated outside as well. Global Energy Partners will reach out to schedule an appointment with each property owner for the shutoff, relight, and if necessary meter relocation.

Crews will temporarily restore all property to ensure safety and accessibility and then follow up with permanent grade restoration as the project nears completion. Some of the permanent restoration will occur in conjunction with the Dan Emmett Neighborhood Revitalization Project.

Residents can expect some traffic congestion in the work zones, but flaggers will be on hand to get all motorists through the areas safely.

Columbia Gas asks that residents contact Ben Cutler, public affairs manager for Columbia Gas of Ohio at 216-215-4103 to share information about buried sprinkler or septic systems, invisible fences or cisterns, or to discuss other concerns about the pipeline project.

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ABOUT THE CITY OF MOUNT VERNON:

The City of Mount Vernon is an innovative community with an authentic hometown feel. The City is dedicated to providing modern services with an emphasis on continual improvement, customer service and equitable laws that support our citizens and visitors, while retaining and attracting investors in our community. Home to 17,000 people, Mount Vernon is the county seat for Knox County and boasts historic buildings and districts as well as business and professional, educational and recreational opportunities through many adaptive reuses of the community's infrastructure and spaces. The City has strong ties to higher education, with Mount Vernon Nazarene University, Kenyon College and Central Ohio Technical College operating satellite locations in the historic downtown. Located 40 miles northeast of Columbus, Mount Vernon is near the geographic center of Ohio and has connections all over the globe.

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