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South Jersey Gas to Begin Construction in Avalon as Part of Safety and Reliability Enhancements

FOLSOM, N.J., September 28, 2017 – South Jersey Gas advises residents, business owners and motorists in the Borough of Avalon that construction work will begin on or about Monday, Oct. 9 (weather permitting) to enhance its infrastructure as part of the Accelerated Infrastructure Replacement Program. The work is expected to be completed by April 2018.

Installation of 2-inch and 4-inch yellow plastic natural gas mains will take place along Ocean Drive from 62nd Street to 27th Street. Work will then be performed on side streets, including 5th Avenue, 27th Street, 29th Street, 32nd Street, 36th Street, 37th Street, 40th Street, 41st Street, 42nd Street, 43rd Street, 44th Street, 45th Street, 46th Street, 47th Street, 49th Street, 50th Street, 51st Street, 52nd Street, 54th Street, 56th Street, 58th Street, 59th Street, 61st Street and 62nd Street.

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 spring 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 7:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. There is a possibility that work will be performed some Saturdays during the same time frame.

If residents have questions or would like more information about this project, please contact the South Jersey Gas Cape May Division at (609) 465-2900 and reference the Avalon Project.

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