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## CenterPoint Energy to replace natural gas lines in Minneapolis

Dear Property Owner,

At CenterPoint Energy, we are committed to providing relevant information to our customers and the general public to minimize inconvenience or disruption due to our construction activities.

### ***What will CenterPoint Energy do?***

Beginning in early June and lasting into the summer of 2021, CenterPoint Energy's authorized contractors will work in Minneapolis along the following roads: Upton Avenue N. between 52<sup>nd</sup> and 53<sup>rd</sup> Avenues N.; 52<sup>nd</sup> Avenue N. between Vincent and Upton Avenues N.; and Vincent Avenue N. between 51<sup>st</sup> and 52<sup>nd</sup> Avenues N.

While Michels Corporation will replace the natural gas main, connect the natural gas service lines to the new main, and move any inside residential meters outside, Q3 Contracting will restore the areas affected by Michels Corporation's work outside the limits of the City of Minneapolis's Vincent Avenue N. Sanitary Sewer Improvement project.

The crews will work on one side of the road at a time. One sidewalk will be open at a time. Parking will be restricted on the side of the road where the crews will work. When the crews work on Upton Avenue N., they will close the 5200 block of Upton Avenue N. to through traffic.

### ***What is CenterPoint Energy's COVID-19 policy?***

According to the Governor of Minnesota's order, gas main replacement is an essential work function. This allows for the modernization of related gas facilities. The gas main work requires excavations in various locations in the right-of-way (front yard) to facilitate the installation work.

As social distancing practices and proper use of PPE, face masks and gloves have become normalized and as customers are willing to allow properly protected personnel into their homes to complete required work to modernize gas facilities, which is essential work, CenterPoint Energy authorized contractors will enter customer homes to complete work only with customer permission.

The purpose of this letter is to advise that with customer permission, crews will now enter homes to complete necessary gas meter work. If you choose not to allow crews to enter your home, gas service will not be interrupted, and we will reschedule for a time better suited to concerns you may have. Crews will continue to replace service lines. Crews may have to dig in the ground on your property in the utility easement and next to your home to complete the task of service line replacement.

**How can I contact CenterPoint Energy?**

For more information or to sign up for updates, please visit [CenterPointEnergy.com/Construction](https://www.CenterPointEnergy.com/Construction), click on “**Project Sites**” and “**Minneapolis**.” Look for future communications via mailings or a door tag left by the CenterPoint Energy inspector. We appreciate your patience as we continue to upgrade our natural gas system, ensuring system reliability for years to come.

