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## CenterPoint Energy to perform natural gas work on Brooklyn Blvd. from 60<sup>th</sup> to 65<sup>th</sup> Ave. N. this Oct. and Nov.

Dear Property Owner,

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

**Project description:** From early October to late November 2020, CenterPoint Energy's authorized contractors will perform work in Brooklyn Center on Brooklyn Boulevard between 60<sup>th</sup> and 65<sup>th</sup> Avenues N. and on 62<sup>nd</sup>, Halifax and 65<sup>th</sup> Avenues N. just west of Brooklyn Boulevard. While Michels Corporation will replace the natural gas main and connect the service lines to the new main, Q3 Contracting will restore the areas affected by Michels Corporation's work.

CenterPoint Energy's work will happen in preparation for Hennepin County's and the City of Brooklyn Center's 2021 road reconstruction project. This year, if the weather isn't conducive for permanent restoration, Q3 Contracting will temporarily restore the areas affected by Michels Corporation's work with winter erosion control materials. In 2021, these areas will be permanently restored.

**Traffic impacts:** In areas of active construction, the crews will close one lane and the sidewalk heading southbound on Brooklyn Blvd. On the side streets, the crews will have a partial or full closure at Brooklyn Blvd. for limited times. These restrictions are necessary to keep both the public and construction personnel safe. Local access will be maintained.

*How can I contact CenterPoint Energy?* You can contact one of the following CenterPoint Energy resources. Please reference the **Brooklyn Center – Brooklyn Blvd. project** or the number **94947229**:

- Communications Specialist, Hannah Gullickson, at 612-321-5546
- Restoration Questions at csv.restoration@centerpointenergy.com or 612-321-5477
- Information Hotline at csv.constructionservices@centerpointenergy.com

Installing replacement gas mains: According to <a href="tel:the-overnor-of-Minnesota's order">the Governor-of-Minnesota's order</a>, 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. CenterPoint Energy has provided safe, clean and efficient natural gas service to Minnesota communities for more than 145 years. We are proud of this record and strive to improve it by educating the public about the benefits of natural gas at <a href="CenterPointEnergy.com/BeSafe">CenterPointEnergy.com/BeSafe</a>. We appreciate your business and look forward to continuing to serve you.



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**Connecting service lines to the new mains:** 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.

