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HOWARD M. NEUKRUG P.E.
Commissioner

Dear Water Customer

July 11, 2013

I am writing to alert you that the Water Department will be starting heavy construction work in your neighborhood in the near future. The water mains and sewers located in the streets listed below have outlived their useful lifespan and must be replaced or lined in order to safeguard your water and sewer services and prevent potential leaks or breaks from flooding and damaging City streets and private property.

<u>Street</u>	<u>From</u>	<u>To</u>	<u>Type of Work</u>
Darien St.	Huntingdon St.	Lehigh St.	Water Reconstruction & Sewer Lining

The Water Department has hired a private contractor, **Carusone Contractors, Inc.**, to complete the above project. The work is scheduled to start on or about **Tuesday, 7/16/13** and will proceed until final completion by or about **mid July of 2014**.

At the request of the Fire Department, all fire hydrants presently located in the middle of a block will be relocated to an adjacent intersection for improved accessibility and public safety.

The contractor intends to start water main work on or about **Tuesday, 7/16/13**. A subcontractor will return at a later date, to perform the Sewer Lining work. An additional letter will be delivered to residents, prior to the Sewer Lining Work. The Contractor has already photographed and recorded all existing conditions in the above mentioned block, in order to help avoid potential disputes between the contractor and property owners and assure that all work sites are left in acceptable condition upon completion of the project.

Unavoidably, Water and Sewer reconstruction work is never a clean or noiseless business, involving the use of large construction equipment to break out roads, excavate trenches and haul heavy materials to and from the site. It will be necessary to temporarily store construction materials in selected areas along the street until the new piping is installed. Prior to lining the existing Sewer, the contractor will need to install an access manhole in Darien St., north of Huntingdon St. This access manhole will be utilized at a later date in order to install a liner in the existing Sewer in Darien St. By using this trenchless method of sewer rehabilitation work, this project can be completed in less time and inconvenience to residents, than standard Sewer Reconstruction methods, which would necessitate open cut trench work. Separate letters will be delivered to residents, prior to the lining of the sewer. Pipe trench repaving and clean-up will complete the water main work on your block. Throughout construction, normal day to day street use will be disrupted as temporary accommodations must be made for vehicle and pedestrian traffic, trash pick-up and emergency access. While these major inconveniences can not be eliminated, we will do our best to control and minimize them.

During normal working hours (7:00 AM and 3:30 PM), it may be necessary to close Darien St. to through traffic. The contractor will also post "No-parking" signs on an as required basis as the work proceeds. Trash should be placed at the curb as regularly scheduled and the contractor will assist the Streets Department with pick up.

The Water Department has assigned an Inspector to the project who will be on-site every day. Should you experience any problems as a result of the work, please ask to talk with the Inspector on the job site; he will discuss the problem with the contractor and do whatever possible to assist you. The Inspector will notify you one day in advance of any scheduled water shut-offs, of which several will be required over the course of the project. These water shut-offs are necessary for the contractor to make connections to the new water main; shut-offs typically take place in the morning hours, start at 9:00 AM and last for 2 to 8 hours, depending on the difficulty involved..

If you are unable to contact the Inspector at the job site or have any other questions concerning the work, please contact me at the number listed below between 8:30 AM and 5:00 PM, Monday thru Friday. Should an emergency occur during non-working hours, please call the Water Department hot line at 685-6300, where someone will take your call at any time.

Please keep these phone numbers handy in the event you find a need for our assistance, and thank you in advance for your patience and cooperation.

Very truly yours,



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