Project Update: The Former Tidewater Manufactured Gas Plant (MGP) and Power Plant Site

National Grid has received approval from the Rhode Island Department of Environmental Management (RIDEM) to implement the remedy for the Tidewater Site. As part of our continuing commitment to keep the public informed of the schedule and the details of the remedy, National Grid with RIDEM has scheduled a Community Outreach Event.

The Community Outreach Event will be held from 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. on October 29, 2020 to disseminate information and solicit questions regarding implementation of the remedy. This event will be conducted virtually consistent with Rhode Island Executive Order No. 20-46 which was issued by the Governor’s office in response to the COVID19 pandemic. The virtual Community Outreach Event can be accessed using the following link and password:

https://gza.zoom.us/j/99508331774
Passcode: 217733
Or Telephone: 312-626-6799; 646-876-9923; 301-715-8592; 346-248-7799; 669-900-6833; or 253-215-8782
Or iPhone one-tap: 312-626-6799; 99508331774# or 646-876-9923; 99508331774#
Webinar ID: 995 0833 1774

Remedy Implementation

On June 15, 2018, National Grid submitted a Remedial Action Work Plan (RAWP) to RIDEM which summarized the results of a Limited Design Investigation program, provided technical details on the Site remedy and outlined the anticipated implementation schedule. The RAWP also described measures that will be used during construction to mitigate dust, odor, noise and traffic and outlined an air monitoring program to protect both on-site workers and the surrounding community. On May 31, 2019, National Grid submitted a RAWP Addendum that responded to certain comments from RIDEM in a February 8, 2019 letter. RIDEM subsequently issued a March 5, 2020 Order of Approval that authorized implementation of the Site remedy.

On August 2, 2019, National Grid submitted a combined permit application package to the United States Army Corps of Engineers (USACOE), the Coastal Resources Management Council (CRMC), and the RIDEM’s Office of Water Resources (OWR) for the required permits to implement the remedy. These regulatory agencies subsequently issued permits/approval to implement the remedy. The approved remedial work will be performed in phases and the first phase is scheduled to be initiated in December 2020. The first phase is anticipated to continue through August 2021.
These documents and regulatory permits are posted on National Grid’s Tidewater website (www.tidewatersite.com) and RIDEM’s website for this project (www.dem.ri.gov/programs/benviron/waste/tide.htm). To review hard copies, contact Angela Spadoni, Office of Customer and Technical Assistance, (401) 222-4700 ext. 7307.

**National Grid’s Commitment to Community Involvement**

National Grid is committed to sharing information related to the remediation of the Tidewater Site. As part of our communications plan, we are working under a RIDEM-approved Public Involvement Plan (PIP) specifically established for the Tidewater Site. This PIP describes how information will be shared with the community and includes information on where additional information can be found.

A copy of the PIP for the Tidewater Site is available on our website at www.tidewatersite.com.

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