

City of Seat Pleasant Eugene W. Grant, Mayor

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Mayor Eugene W. Grant Issues Statement Regarding Oil Leak on Addison Road

Seat Pleasant, MD – On Friday, May 11, 2012, a spill of non-toxic insulating mineral fluid occurred in an underground pipe on Addison Road in Seat Pleasant. Currently, the incident is under extensive investigation. Pepco has determined that a pipe holding power cables was breached, which allowed the insulating fluid to leak out.

Learning of this incident, Mayor Grant made the following statement; "Any incident that occurs within the limits of Seat Pleasant: A City of Excellence that impacts our residents and citizens is of the utmost concern to me. I want to make certain there is no eminent threat to life and property to any resident, business or property within our city." Mayor Grant went on to say, "Pepco has been working closely with us and has kept me abreast of the situation and up-to-this point I am pleased with their open communication and overall attention to this serious situation."

To date, Pepco has informed the City it is estimated that 3,500 gallons of fluid has leaked and so far is contained underground for now. Approximately, 700 gallons of fluid has been reclaimed. Pepco is now excavating to put clamps on the pipe to cuff off the leak.

The City would like to report no customer outages have occurred and none are expected. Most importantly, there have been no reports of any injuries.

Eugene W. Grant is currently serving his 8th year as mayor of Seat Pleasant: A City of Excellence. During his 8 years as mayor, he has successfully tripled the size of the Police Department, reduced crime by 33%, improved the infrastructure of the city, ended each year with a surplus and raised thousands of dollars for the local elementary school. Mayor Grant serves as the Chairman of the Board for Health Empowerment Network of Maryland, Inc., President of the Maryland Black Mayor's Community Development Corporation, Inc., Chief Executive Officer for Global Development Services for Youth, Inc., and a member of numerous other organizations both domestically and internationally. You can follow Mayor Grant on Twitter and Facebook.

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