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NOTICE OF INCREASED ACTIVITY

Dear Neighbor,

Pepco continues to monitor the equipment and the areas affected by the late January mineral oil spill at Pepco's Potomac River Generating Station Substation. We have performed soil testing and continue to work with the agencies investigating the oil spill event. A small amount of mineral oil has been identified at the base of the transformer containment, under nearly three feet of the bluestone that is part of the transformer's containment system. (See photo below.)

Starting today, a Pepco contractor will be using vacuum equipment to remove all of the bluestone from the transformer containment bed so that the transformer base and foundation can be thoroughly cleaned. The equipment required to remove the bluestone is very loud, but the work will be performed in compliance with all local noise control ordinances. Pepco is committed to working within the time frame allowed by the City of Alexandria for construction noise, and expects to conduct most of the work between 7 a.m. and 5 p.m., Monday through Friday. The work will be completed within 10 to 15 work days.

You will probably be able to hear the noise from this operation. Pepco apologizes for this inconvenience, but unfortunately this work is essential to effect a complete cleanup, and the noise created during the operation cannot be mitigated.

If you have questions or concerns, please feel free to call our incident hotline: 202-872-2337.

Thank you for your patience and understanding.

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Pepco engineers and environmental cleanup consultants inspecting transformer containment area at the company's Potomac River Substation.