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Dear Neighbor,

As part of our continued effort to deliver reliable energy to our customers and communities, Eversource will be conducting field tests in support of the Woburn to Wakefield Line Project. The project includes a new 345-kV transmission line connecting Eversource's Woburn Substation with National Grid's Wakefield Junction in Wakefield and is one of several projects that are designed to improve the reliability of the electric system serving Greater Boston and the surrounding areas.

We're Always Working to Serve You Better

Since the project route is located on or near your property, we are committed to keeping you updated on the progress of the project.

Please note that this testing activity is to confirm the location of existing underground utilities along the project route and *does not indicate the start of project construction*. The field tests will be conducted by McCourt Construction, an approved Eversource contractor.

What You Can Expect

Here is valuable information about the field tests being conducted in your neighborhood:

- **Reliable Service:** Be assured that this work will not interrupt electric service to your property.
- **Proper Identification:** All project team members will carry proper identification.
- **Traffic Management:** Eversource will coordinate closely with municipal officials on effective traffic management throughout the testing process.
- **Where We Will Be Working:** Our crews and equipment will remain within public streets and sidewalks. In Winchester, we will be conducting testing operations on Washington and Cross Streets.
- **Testing Hours:** Testing activities will be conducted from 8 am to 4 pm, Monday through Friday.
- **Testing Activities:** You may see machinery like that pictured to the right and may hear testing activities for brief periods over the next several weeks. Field tests will include the following:
 - An Eversource contractor will mark out areas the field investigation and contact DigSafe.
 - An excavator and vacuum truck will occupy a portion of the roadway to dig small trenches in the roadway and determine the location of existing underground utilities.
 - Testing generally lasts 4 to 6 hours per location.
 - When complete, crews will backfill and patch the excavated area.



Vacuum Truck

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- **Communication:** An Eversource Field Outreach Specialist will be in touch, conducting in-person door to door outreach or leaving a door hanger notice on your property if we miss you.

Contact Us

Keeping the lines of communication open is an important part of our work in your community. If you have questions about the field test operations, please call the Eversource Transmission Information Line at 1-800-793-2202, or send an email to TransmissionInfo@eversource.com.

Sincerely,

Mike Hager

Michael Hager
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The following information was developed by Winchester City officials, and was requested to be included in Eversource's customer notification of upcoming field test activities:

The Town of Winchester has appealed the proposed route of the 345kV transmission line approved by the Massachusetts Department of Utilities, Energy Facilities Siting Board (EFSB) to the Supreme Judicial Court of the Commonwealth. By agreement of the Town and Eversource, no construction of the line will commence in Winchester prior to the Decision of the Court. However, test pit activity, such as that currently proposed by Eversource, is allowed.

Please contact your City officials with any questions on above.

Thank you.