
Consumers Energy Issues Update on Pontiac Gas Explosion Incident

Pontiac, Mich., Feb. 3, 2019 – Consumers Energy earlier today confirmed that a single-family home explosion occurred last night on Irwin Avenue in Pontiac. One person was injured and taken to the hospital as a result of the incident. During the initial investigation, the company located a gas leak in the area and repaired the source of the leak. The area is now safe for residents and businesses to resume normal activities as the area has been secured and given the all clear by company officials.

“The safety of our neighbors is our top priority and we worked diligently to make sure the area is safe,” said Garrick Rochow, Senior Vice President of Operations for Consumers Energy. “We are actively investigating what caused the gas leak near this location. We are also working with the fire department and local officials to determine what caused the explosion. Our hearts go out to the homeowner and all of those affected by this incident.”

The company urged citizens who suspect a gas leak to vacate their home, call 9-1-1 and contact Consumers Energy at 1-800-477-5050 immediately to report it.

Consumers Energy gas service workers are also on standby tonight to visit any local residents who would like their home checked. The company is committed to keeping the public updated as more information becomes available.

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