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Dear Rochelle Residents and Officials:

Nicor Gas will soon begin an environmental cleanup project at a former manufactured gas plant (MGP) site located at 208 2nd Avenue in Rochelle. The goal of the project is to bring the property up to current environmental standards. The project is being conducted in cooperation with, and with oversight by, the Illinois Environmental Protection Agency (Illinois EPA) through its voluntary Site Remediation Program.

Soil that exceeds applicable Illinois EPA cleanup objectives will be removed, safely loaded into trucks and disposed of at a licensed waste disposal facility. The excavation will be backfilled with clean material and then the property will be restored. The work is expected to last approximately one year.

We'd like you to know:

- Work will typically be conducted during weekday daytime hours. At times there may be extended hours or days.
- Access to the work area will be secured at all times.
- When work is in progress, you may notice occasional odors similar to moth balls or paving materials. Air monitors will measure dust and air emissions to demonstrate that there are no adverse impacts to air quality.

If you would like more information about the project, we invite you to view the project website at www.rochellesite.info. In addition, a document repository has been set up at the Flagg-Rochelle Public Library District located at 619 4th Avenue.

If you have questions or comments, feel free to contact me at info@rochellesite.info or at 224.227.5594. For questions about the Illinois EPA's oversight of this project, you may contact Sabrina Bailey, Community Relations Coordinator, Illinois EPA, at 312.832.2162 (sabrina.bailey@illinois.gov).

Sincerely,



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