

South Strabane Township

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PRESS RELEASE

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE: Methane Readings – Scout Drive – UPDATE #2

Monday, November 7th, South Strabane Township, PA

On Monday, November 7th, Columbia Gas of PA (CG) and the Pennsylvania Department of Environmental Protection (DEP) returned to Scout Drive for further testing. South Strabane Fire & Emergency Services met with these agencies on site to check status and obtain information to provide the public.

The two affected homes continue to display low levels of what is believed to be methane gas, although the level is down slightly from readings obtained Saturday. Tomorrow, Tuesday, the DEP expects to receive results of soil testing from a sample that was previously obtained by CG. The results should aid in the continued investigation of the gas and its origin. CG has completely isolated natural gas service to the home with the higher readings as a precautionary measure.

This week, the DEP is organizing a call with officials from their office, Columbia Gas, and South Strabane Township. As more information is obtained, it will be provided to the public.

Questions or concerns can be directed to Chief Cramer at 724-914-5470 or jcramer@southstrabane.com.