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DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC UTILITIES

RESPONSE OF COLUMBIA GAS OF MASSACHUSETTS TO THE
FIRST SET OF INFORMATION REQUESTS FROM THE D.P.U.
PIPELINE ENGINEERING AND SAFETY DIVISION

D.P.U. 19-PL-07 – Merrimack Valley Incident (9/13/18)

Date: September 18, 2019

Responsible: Kathy Silver, Manager Operations Compliance

IR-PL-1-23: Please provide all relevant police logs and records for the 24 hours after receiving the initial incident notification.

Response: Please see Attachment IR-PL-1-23, which is the responsive police report in CMA's possession.



LAWRENCE POLICE DEPT.
LAWRENCE, MA
Incident Report #18006412

Approved: _____		Date/Time Printed: Mon Apr 08 07:34:18 EDT 20 By: escallon	
Case Title	Location		
HOUSE EXPLOSION	35 CHICKERING ST		
Date/Time Reported	Date/Time Occurred		
09/13/2018 16:26:36	09/13/2018 16:26:00 to 09/13/2018 16:26:00		
Incident Type/Offense			
INVESTIGATION (0133)			

Persons								
	Role	Name	Sex	Race	Age	DOB	Phone	Address
1	LAW ENFORCEMENT	MCCABE, SCOTT	MALE				(home) (cell)	90 LOWELL STREET LAWRENCE, MA
2	LAW ENFORCEMENT	FABIAN, JESSIE	MALE	WHITE			(home) (cell)	90 LOWELL ST LAWRENCE, MA

Offenders								
	Status	Name	Sex	Race	Age	DOB	Phone	Address
							(home) (cell)	
							(home) (cell)	

Vehicles								
	Role	Type	Year	Make	Model	Color	Reg #	State
	Stolen \$	Rec Code	Date Rec	Rec \$	Rec By			

Property						
	Class	Description	Make	Model	Serial #	Value
1	OTHER	HOUSE				

Narrative

On 09/13/2018, I was assigned to uniform patrol, in marked unit # 413 in Sector 6. Approximatley 4:10 pm, the Police Department started receiving several 911 calls for house fires in the south side of the city. As dispatch was sending officers to check on the numerous locations, Detective Jesse Fabian called over the air and said he received a call from a family member who was also reporting a fire at 79 Durso Ave. I made my way to 79 Durso Ave and confirmed that there was an active basement fire. Shortly after clearing the house, Detective Fabian arrived at 79 Durso Ave. While waiting for the Fire Department to arrive, Detective Fabian and I where in the process of moving our police vehicles when we heard and felt a large

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3	LAW ENFORCEMENT	CARMICHAEL, PRESTON					(home) (cell)	90 LOWELL ST LAWRENCE, MA
4	LAW ENFORCEMENT	LAKIN, ROBERT	MALE	UNKNOWN			(home) (cell)	90 LOWELL ST LAWRENCE, MA

Offenders

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explosion from the next street over. The explosion came from the Chickering Street area.

Detective Fabian and I made our way over to investigate the explosion. Upon arrival to 35 Chickering Street, I observed the house was completely leveled by the explosion. I called in our location and informed dispatch that we had a house explosion with people trapped inside. I walked towards the house and could hear a female screaming for help. I crawled through a collapsed wall in the front of the house and found an older female asking for help with her daughter who was trapped inside. I helped the older female crawl through an open window and

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5 LAW ENFORCEMENT	TRAINOR, KAULIN	MALE	WHITE			(home) (cell)	90 LOWELL ST LAWRENCE, MA
6 LAW ENFORCEMENT	GONZALEZ, RADAMES	MALE	WHITE	40	07/09/1978	(home) (cell)	90 LOWELL ST LAWRENCE, MA

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then made my way back inside the house. Inside the house, I was able to locate a younger female who was trapped by debris. I removed the debris covering the female and noticed she had compound fractures to her lower legs. I called out to Detective Fabian and Officer Lakin to help me with removing the female from the house. I was able to hand off the female to Detective Fabian, Officer Lakin and Detective Gonzalez through an open window. The female was brought to an arriving LGH ambulance crew for further treatment.

I then made my way over to Officer Carmichael and several Officers who were in the driveway on
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7 LAW ENFORCEMENT	SOTO, IVAN					(home) 978-794-5900 (cell)	90 LOWELL ST LAWRENCE, MA
8 LAW ENFORCEMENT	OLIVIERI, WILLIAM					(home) (cell)	90 LOWELL ST LAWRENCE, MA

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top of a vehicle that was crushed by a chimney that fell from the explosion. Officer Carmichael, Officer Trainor and Officer Lakin where attempting to lift the chimney off of the vehicle due to the driver being trapped inside. I opened the rear passenger door to render assistance to the trapped driver. Several fire fighters arrived and instructed us to step away due to the gas line being severed and still actively flowing gas from the house. The fire fighter said he was worried about a secondary explosion and to back away. My attention was then drawn to two males who stated they were seated inside of the crushed vehicle and appeared injured. I had both males leave the driveway and escorted them over to the ambulance on scene.

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9	LAW ENFORCEMENT	CUDDY, THOMAS M					(home) (cell)	90 LOWELL ST LAWRENCE, MA
10	LAW ENFORCEMENT	CONWAY, SHAWN J	MALE				(home) (cell)	90 LOWELL ST LAWRENCE, MA

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Chief Vasque, Detective Cuddy and Lt. Conway arrived on scene. Lt. Conway instructed us to start evacuating the neighborhood by going door to door. After evacuating as many residents as possible from the Colonial Heights Neighborhood, all officers were instructed to respond to numerous gas related fires through out the city. I responded to numerous locations for the next several hours. During the incident, I was exposed to the victims blood, Gas fumes and unknown dust and debris from the house explosion. I will fill out a departmental exposure form
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11	LAW ENFORCEMENT	VASQUE, ROY P.					(home) (cell)	90 LOWELL ST LAWRENCE, MA
							(home) (cell)	

Offenders

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and forward that form to Sgt. Picard. End of report.

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