

SANDPIPER ENERGY CONVERSIONS TO NATURAL GAS REACH 500 IN OCEAN PINES

<u>Dover, Delaware</u> — Sandpiper Energy ("Sandpiper"), a subsidiary of Chesapeake Utilities ("Chesapeake"), has steadily been continuing conversion efforts in Ocean Pines. As of the end of May 2016, almost 500 residents and business within Ocean Pines had been converted to natural gas.

Sandpiper has updated its map depicting its conversion areas; this updated map is available on the Sandpiper Update section of the Ocean Pines Association's ("OPA") webpage. Sandpiper has completed the conversion process in Newport, Teal Bay, and Harbor Village, and is currently in the process of converting the Bay Colony section and will continue on the north side of State Hwy 90. A reminder that postcards will be sent to residents and businesses who are next in line to be converted. The postcards will highlight the week when Sandpiper's Conversion Coordinators will be in their area to answer questions, perform appliance evaluations, and ultimately set a temporary tank. The postcard also includes the phone number (855.290.9628) that can be called should there be any questions or if the customer is unavailable that week to meet with the technicians.

As conversions ramp up in the summer months and continue at a steady pace through the fall, the most important responsibilities of the customer during this process are <u>communication</u> and <u>availability</u>. Monitor the OPA website to see which area Sandpiper plans to work in next, then watch for the postcard. The Conversion Coordinators will work with customers to schedule both the assessment and conversion of appliances. Please let the Conversion Coordinators complete their assessment of your home or business as soon as possible and make sure you communicate any concerns to the conversion team. This will ensure that the momentum continues going forward.

And finally, please watch for Sandpiper representatives at several of the Ocean Pines events this summer as they will be sponsors at multiple events and they will have booths setup to further assist in answering questions.

For more information and to access the updated conversion map please go to the LIVE HERE portion of the Ocean Pines website or go to the link http://oceanpines.org/about-ocean-pines/living-here/