MEMORANDUM
To: Residents of The Aston
From: The George Washington University
Date: January 18, 2008
Re: Scheduling temporary gas shutdown and summary of recent correspondence

I am writing to provide you an update on recent activities and to inquire about a day next week when contractors could shutdown the gas system (preferably Wednesday, but also on either Thursday or Friday) to do a mandatory cleaning of the boiler pipes and valves. It is expected the work can be completed in workday of no more than 12 hours. During this time you will not be able to use your gas stove or access hot water once the hot water in the reserve tank has cooled off/been depleted (probably a couple of hours after project begins). The contractor would like to start work at 7:00 a.m. so there is enough time set aside to finish the work in one day. This means hot water would probably be depleted between 8-9:00 a.m. Please let me know if Wednesday is the preferable day next week for this work to occur. Also, please let me know as soon as you can if you need for me to arrange for alternate shower facilities for you during the day work will be conducted.

Since the last update, the security phone was activated in the lobby and temporary alternate heat units were installed in each of the units occupied by a permanent residence. With regard to an inquiry about trash and recycling removal, this should be occurring on a daily basis – please contact me if that is not the case.

As previously noted, one of the elevators is out of service. Contractors and residents will share the remaining elevator during daytime work hours. One elevator will remain out of service for the duration of the project, scheduled for completion on/about July 31, 2008.

As always, please use caution when exiting your rooms as there will be work being performed in the hallways and in the units around your residence and therefore, a high level of activity in the hallways/common areas.

Thank you for your cooperation and please don’t hesitate to contact me should you have any questions.

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