To: All Residents

From: Town Administrator

Date: March 17, 2020 at 11:00 am Re: Message from Eversource

Eversource has been monitoring COVID-19 closely and is working proactively to address the concerns of our employees, customers and the communities we serve with one overarching goal: to ensure we continue to provide the safe, reliable and essential service that customers need during this unprecedented time.

## **Our Customer Commitment**

We recognize that many customers will be facing challenges in the days and weeks ahead, so we have taken the following steps:

- To decrease any financial hardship our customers are facing due to the COVID-19 pandemic, we
  have postponed disconnections for nonpayment for residential and business customers across
  our electric, natural gas, and water operations. Our customer service team is available to help
  customers with financial programs we offer, such as setting up a payment plan.
- We have online and mobile tools to help customers conduct business with us as usual, including
  customer service agents to speak with by phone. Our mobile app, available in the App Store and
  Google Play, allows customers to easily check their account, pay their bill and more at their
  convenience.
- The COVID-19 outbreak has led to an increase in scam activity. We have posted information on our website, eversource.com, reminding customers to be wary of any unsolicited calls that threaten to disconnect their utility service and that demand payment by unusual means.
   Eversource will never ask a customer for personal information over the phone in this manner and does not accept payments via gift cards or other common tools used by scammers. Also, customers should be aware that as previously mentioned we have suspended disconnections for nonpayment across our utility operations.
- Please visit our website, eversource.com, for the latest COVID-19 customer information.
   Customers are also encouraged to call and speak with a customer service representative. That number is: 800-592-2000

We continue to urge all residents to evaluate their own health and determine if they are feeling mildly ill with a head cold, headache, cough and/or experiencing any CDC identified symptoms of COVID-19, which include fever, cough, and shortness of breath. If you are feeling any symptoms, we advise you to contact the Wayland Health Department at the Coronavirus Hotline 508-358-6805 and your primary care physician for guidance. If you or anyone in your family has any symptoms of being ill, we advise you to stay quarantined at home until you are feeling better and follow up with your primary care physician as needed.

The Town will also provide general help for residents who may need assistance obtaining basic and important life necessities, such as food or medications, by calling 508-358-7701.