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CITY OF CAMBRIDGE • EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT

Robert W. Healy, City Manager

Richard C. Rossi, Deputy City Manager

October 21, 2002

To The Honorable, The City Council:

In response to Awaiting Report Item No. 02-66, regarding a report on outages in the Mt. Auburn/Strawberry Hill/Cambridge Highlands area, please be advised of the following:

This area of the City experienced several problems over a short period of time causing a series of power outages. The following were some of the issues:

1. Transformer on Aberdeen Avenue damaged by a lightning strike;
2. A switch on a pole at the corner of Blanchard Road and Concord Avenue burnt out;
3. A transformer at the Aberdeen Avenue sub-station shut down;
4. Cable fire at Concord Avenue and Walden Streets; and
5. Scheduled work in the area including a significant upgrade to the electrical system for the Neville Manor site.

Although unfortunate, as you can see most of the outages were caused by unexpected events. The City will continue to work with NSTAR to maintain the circuits in the area at a suitable level.

Very truly yours,

Robert W. Healy
City Manager

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Consent Agenda #2

Awaiting Report Item Number

02-66, regarding a report on
outages in the Mt.

Auburn/Strawberry

Hill/Cambridge Highlands area.

In City Council October 28, 2002

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DAVIS.**