



CITY OF CORNELIUS POLICE DEPARTMENT

Media Release

Gas Leak Prompts Evacuation of 150 Residents

October 9, 2017– A natural gas leak temporarily displaced approximately 150 residents from their homes. NW Natural crews have stopped the leak and residents have now been able to return home.

On Monday, October 9, 2017, at 6:47 p.m., Washington County Sheriff's Office deputies serving the City of Cornelius were asked to assist with the evacuation of a neighborhood due to a reported gas leak.

Deputies worked alongside members of the Cornelius Fire Department to evacuate affected community members. Residents in the area of N 4th Avenue and Davis Street were asked to evacuate to the Walmart parking lot. The Reverse 911 system was also used to call and warn residents within the affected area.

TriMet provided a warming bus so that evacuees could be more comfortable while waiting.

Crews from NW Natural promptly responded, located and stopped the gas leak. Residents were allowed to return home at approximately 8:10 p.m.

Members of the media should contact NW Natural for more information about the leak and repair.

Inquiries about the Reverse 911 system may be directed to the Washington County Consolidated Communications Agency (WCCCA).

