August 6, 2020

Dear Neighbor:

On behalf of ComEd, I am writing to inform you that our company plans to demolish an old building on our property at 3500 N. California Ave.

ComEd has been a part of the 33rd Ward community since we purchased the property at the corner of Addison Street and California Avenue in the early 1900s. For 120 years, ComEd has contributed to the community by delivering reliable and affordable power, creating jobs and being a good partner. In 2016, ComEd undertook a project to redevelop the entire 30-acre property and maintain 600 jobs in the area while working with the community to enhance its overall appeal. Throughout this project, ComEd has worked closely with community members, and we will continue to engage them with the next phase of construction.

Now that our new office building at California Avenue and Roscoe Street is nearly complete, ComEd plans to demolish the existing red brick building on the corner of Addison Street and California Avenue, which had served as an office and warehouse. The demolition is anticipated to start on Tuesday, Aug. 18, and will take place in a safe, careful and methodical manner. No implosion methods will be used.

To mitigate any impact to the community, truck traffic will only be allowed on major thoroughfares, and all trucks will be staged onsite to eliminate delays on California Avenue or Addison Street. We will use dust suppression measures during the demolition, and perimeter dust monitoring stations will ensure compliance with all codes and regulations. As a good steward of the environment, ComEd will divert 70 percent of demolished materials from landfills.

To learn more about the demolition, please visit https://33rdward.org/comed-demolition/ or scan the QR Code below. If I can answer any questions about this project, please contact me at (773) 306-8436 or Lizbeth.Ramirez@comed.com. You can also direct comments or questions to the Office of Alderman Rodriguez-Sanchez at (773) 840-7880.

Sincerely,

Lizbeth Ramirez
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