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City Initiates LED Conversion of Residential Street Lights

BURLINGTON, NC—Duke Energy crews will soon be converting residential street lights in Burlington from legacy High Pressure Sodium (HPS) and to LED lights. The City-initiated conversion will mean neighborhoods will enjoy a cleaner, white light that doesn't yellow or dim over time.

Duke Energy crews will move through seven sections of the City, replacing over 2,600 HPS lights with LED lights, before June 2018. The conversion will cost the City approximately \$45,000 but will result in noticeably brighter residential areas, making residents feel safer.

“Improved lighting changes the dynamic, allowing officers to better see while patrolling neighborhoods and also acting as a crime deterrent to potential criminals,” said Burlington Police Lieutenant Mark Yancey of the upcoming street light conversion.

Burlington Department of Transportation Director Mike Nunn commented that “not only will these street lights improve the quality of life in Burlington’s neighborhoods, but the lights also consume less energy and will need to be replaced less frequently than HPS lightbulbs.”

Four crews contracted by Duke Energy will be deployed in Burlington this month to convert residential street lights. For more information, contact Traffic Engineer Jason Geary at (336) 570-6156.

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