

RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL

No. 479

Approved September 21, 1973

WHEREAS, a certain area located on the Staten Island section of New York City recently experienced a devastating explosion and ensuing conflagration within a liquified natural gas tank that claimed the lives of more than forty men and the destruction of a costly storage facility, and

WHEREAS, the City of Providence, at the present time, has a storage tank containing liquified natural gas which was recently built on the Fields Point section of the City of Providence, and

WHEREAS, there is presently pending an application before the Building Board of Review for additional such storage facility,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Committee on Licenses is requested to cause an investigation to be undertaken concerning the operation, and the safety factors related to fuel stored in bulk in the City of Providence for wholesale distribution, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that upon the completion of such investigation, the said Committee report its findings to the City Council, for the purpose of recommending implementation of any additional necessary safety factors that it may deem are required, that such a disaster that occurred at the Staten Island facility may be eliminated in the City of Providence.

IN CITY COUNCIL  
SEP 20 1973  
READ AND PASSED

*Robert L. Weston*  
CITY CLERK  
APPROVED

MAYOR

*Joseph P. ...*  
SEP 21 1973

THE COMMITTEE ON

The Mayor's Commission  
on the Safety of  
the City of Providence

THE COMMITTEE ON

# IN CITY COUNCIL

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FIRST READING  
REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON  
LICENSES

*Vernon Vespe*  
CLERK

THE COMMITTEE ON

*Licenses*

Recommends

*Be Continued*

*Vernon Vespe*

March 30, 1973 Clerk

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Recommends

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*Vernon Vespe*

August 24, 1973 Clerk

Councilman Xavier, Councilman McKernon,  
and Councilman Johnson

READ AND PASSED  
IN CITY COUNCIL

CLERK  
MAY

THE COMMITTEE ON

*Licenses*

Approves Passage of  
The Within Resolution

*Vernon Vespe*

Sept 13, 1973 Clerk

BUREAU OF FIRE PREVENTION  
DONALD F. WALSH  
FIRE MARSHAL



209 FOUNTAIN STREET  
PROVIDENCE, R. I. 02903

FIRE DEPARTMENT

August 15, 1973

Mr. Francis B. Brown  
Commissioner of Public Safety  
209 Fountain Street  
Providence, Rhode Island 02903

Dear Sir:

Inquiry has been made by Councilman Peter C. Moran, Chairman of the Committee on Licenses, as to the safety factors that are taken into consideration concerning bulk fuel installations in the City of Providence.

I am forwarding the following information concerning this departments position on the installation of such facilities.

Prior to the actual construction of facilities of this nature, the plans for the proposed facility are reviewed to insure that they conform to the requirements of Ordinances of the City of Providence and the Rhode Island State Fire Code. N.F.P.A. standards are also used as guidelines to insure proper installation.

After the actual construction of such facilities, as many inspections by Fire Department personnel as manpower availability allows are made of the installation to insure that all required life and fire safety precautions are being taken. Periodic Group Inspections by Fire Department personnel are made to familiarize the fire fighting forces with the lay out of the facility and anything and everything that may be of assistance to the fire fighter in fighting a fire at the particular facility. (See attached sample copy of Group Inspection of Petrolane).

The approach to installations such as the proposed L.N.G. Installation is somewhat different. Because of this bureau's lack of expertise in this area, the bureau must rely upon studies made by those who are considered expert in this field. However, in the best interest of the community, the policy of this bureau is that any expert testimony must be complete, and must take into consideration the impact that installations of this type will have on the entire community.

Respectfully submitted,

*Donald F. Walsh*  
DONALD F. WALSH  
Fire Marshal  
Bureau of Fire Prevention

DFW:rmg

c.c.

Michael Noice, Chief of Dept.

Councilman Peter C. Moran, Chairman of the Committee on Licenses

# PETROLANE GROUP INSPECTION

The following is a schedule for familiarization and inspection of the Petrolane Co. at Harborside Park. Companies will report at 9:30 A.M. to the Petrolane Plant and remain out of service for the duration of the inspection. Companies will be notified if cancelled.

GROUP	B	C	D	A	B	C	A	B	C	D	A	B	A	B	C	D	A	B	C	D	B	C	D
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R-1					X	X	X			X													
2	X	X	X	X																			
3											X	X		X					X				

Michael F. Moise  
Chief of Department

FIELD POINT DRIVE

1053'-7 1/2"

428'-0"

101'-0"

FLARE STACK

139'-0"

E-3

E-1

E-2

COMPRESSOR  
CONTROL  
BLDG

TRUCK LOADING  
STATIONS

20'-0" WIDE  
ROADWAY

PRODUCT  
PUMPS

E-1

E-TANK

250'-0" Ø

175'-0" Ø

INLET LINE

440'-0" Ø

20'-0"

962'-0" 1/2"

SEA VIEW DRIVE

355'-0"

100'-0"

65'-0"

468'-0"

NOTES

1. HYDRANT

2. 35" DRY CHEMICAL

SCALE 1" = 40'-0"

CHICAGO BRIDGE & IRON CO.

PRELIMINARY PLOT PL

PETROLANE INC.

PROVIDENCE RHODE

PREPARED BY: [Signature]

DATE: 12-1-71