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Peabody Municipal Light Plant Awarded Energy Efficient Street Lighting Grant

(Peabody, MA) – Peabody Municipal Light Plant (PMLP) has received a grant up to \$771,283 under the State Department of Energy Resources' (DOER) LED Street Lighting Accelerator Program to help pay for the cost of new energy efficient LED street light fixtures, long-life photo-electric controllers and wireless controllers for the fixtures. The Baker-Polito Administration has announced a total of \$11.4 million in grant funds are being awarded to municipal light plants in more than 30 communities.

PMLP is receiving the grant along with more than a dozen municipal utility members of the Massachusetts Municipal Wholesale Electric Company (MMWEC), which will work with the DOER to administer the grant. Other light department grant recipients are located in: Boylston, Holden, Holyoke, Hull, Ipswich, Mansfield, Marblehead, Paxton, Princeton, Shrewsbury, South Hadley, Templeton, Wakefield and West Boylston.

PMLP plans to use the grant to purchase up to 6,000 street light fixtures and up to 6,000 controllers at a discounted, bulk purchase rate. The grant covers 50 percent of the costs of the fixtures and controllers, with the remaining 50 percent paid for by the individual light departments.

"PMLP is pleased to be a recipient of the DOER's LED Street Lighting Accelerator Program Grant," stated PMLP Manager, Glenn Trueira. "This effort is yet another way PMLP is working to reduce the electricity loads in our service territory."

Over the next year and a half, PMLP will be working to exchange all of the streetlights in Peabody and South Lynnfield with the work beginning in summer 2017.

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