



# The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

## DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC UTILITIES

### APPLICATION FOR BLASTING AT QUARRIES

Pursuant to St. 2014, c. 149, § 7, and Delegation Order, D.P.U. 17-40 (2017), application is hereby made for approval by the Pipeline Engineering and Safety Division ("Division") of the Department of Public Utilities ("Department") to conduct a blasting operation at a quarry within 500 feet of a natural gas pipeline or metering and regulation station.

#### INFORMATION & INSTRUCTIONS

1. **Blasting Application Submittal:** Prior to conducting any blasting operation at a quarry, each applicant shall complete this application. The application must be accompanied by a copy of the **blasting plan**, the **associated Dig Safe ticket(s)**, and the **approved FP-6 permit** issued by the local Fire Department. Please submit the required information to:

Director, Pipeline Engineering and Safety Division  
Department of Public Utilities  
One South Station  
Boston, MA 02110

2. **Advance Electronic Notice of Blasting:**
  - a. No less than 24 hours in advance of each specific Department-approved blasting operation scheduled to take place, the Applicant or Blaster-in-Charge shall provide electronic notice to the Department of the planned blasting operation. The notice must include the scheduled date of the specific blasting operation, a copy of the **associated Dig Safe ticket(s)**, and a copy of the **Department-approved Application for Blasting**. The electronic notice shall be provided by email to the following individuals: [deborah.hampton@state.ma.us](mailto:deborah.hampton@state.ma.us); [richard.wallace@state.ma.us](mailto:richard.wallace@state.ma.us); [phillip.denton@state.ma.us](mailto:phillip.denton@state.ma.us).
  - b. The Applicant or Blaster-in-Charge must provide further electronic notice to the Department if the planned blasting operation does not take place on the scheduled date.
3. **Need for New Application:**
  - a. If the blasting operation is to occur on a date other than one specified in this Application, a new application must be completed and submitted to the Department with a copy of the blasting plan, the associated Dig Safe ticket(s), and the approved FP-6 permit.
  - b. If the original blasting plan submitted with this application is subsequently revised, a new application must be completed and submitted to the Department with a copy of the revised blasting plan, the associated Dig Safe ticket(s), and a new F-6 permit (if applicable). In

addition, the Blaster-in-Charge shall be required to tender notification to the Dig Safe System to secure a new Dig Safe ticket for blasting operations.

4. **Dig Safe Ticket Renewals:** If there are no changes to the original blasting plan, the existing Dig Safe ticket will remain valid per 220 C.M.R. § 99.00.

**Note: Failure to comply with these procedures will result in the blasting application's not being approved. If the blasting operation proceeds without an approved blasting application, the applicant may be found in violation of St. 2014, c. 149, § 7.**

### APPLICATION

#### *Blaster Information*

Name of Blasting Company: \_\_\_\_\_  
Mailing Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
Telephone: \_\_\_\_\_  
Department of Fire Services FP-6 Permit Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Name of Individual in Charge of Blasting Operation: \_\_\_\_\_  
E-mail Address: \_\_\_\_\_ Cell phone: \_\_\_\_\_  
Department of Fire Services Blasters License Number: \_\_\_\_\_

#### *Blast Location*

Address of Blasting Site: \_\_\_\_\_  
Date(s) of Blasting (mm/dd/yyyy): \_\_\_\_\_  
Name of Operator(s) of natural gas pipeline or metering/regulation station  
within 500 feet of the blast: \_\_\_\_\_

Name of Applicant (please print): \_\_\_\_\_  
Signature: \_\_\_\_\_  
Date of Application: \_\_\_\_\_

#### **For Office Use Only**

**Approved by:**

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

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Richard Wallace, Director  
Pipeline Engineering and Safety Division  
Department of Public Utilities