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The Selectmen will soon be advising National Grid to turn off 120 streetlights in the Town of Warren. This action is necessitated by the budget reductions that the Board has been forced to make in light of the current financial crisis.

The Board has prepared a list of streetlights to be turned off by location. In most cases the nearest house number is indicated on the list. In all cases there is a pole number.

Town residents are encouraged to view the list on the town web site www.warren-ma.gov. The list will also be available in the Selectmen's Office, Town Clerk's Office and at the Senior Center.

Any resident who wishes to continue to have street lighting adjacent to their home may contact the town and assume responsibility for the payment of the particular light. Forms to be used in making the request are available in the Selectmen's Office and on the web site. The form must be signed by the person responsible for payment of the bill. They can be mailed or dropped off at the Selectmen's Office.

Residents are encouraged to act quickly if they wish to take over a light. Once a light has been turned off, there will be a \$25 charge by National Grid to turn it back on. The approximate annual cost of each street light is currently \$94.

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