

**PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA  
1325 G STREET, N.W., SUITE 800  
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20005**

**NOTICE OF TECHNICAL CONFERENCE**

November 7, 2019

**FORMAL CASE NO. 1137, IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION OF  
WASHINGTON GAS LIGHT COMPANY FOR AUTHORITY TO INCREASE EXISTING  
RATES AND CHARGES FOR GAS SERVICE,**

1. The Public Service Commission of the District of Columbia (“Commission”) hereby gives notice of a Technical Conference, on November 22, 2019, concerning Washington Gas Light Company’s (“WGL” or “Company”) Class Cost of Service Study (“CCOSS”) filed on July 12, 2019, pursuant to Order No. 18712.<sup>1</sup> The Technical Conference will begin at 10:00 a.m. in the Commission’s Hearing Room at 1325 G St., N.W., Suite 800, Washington, D.C. 20005.

2. On March 17, 2017, the Commission issued its final Order and Opinion in this case approving an increase in Washington Gas Light Company’s (“WGL” or “Company”) distribution service rates in the amount of \$8,510,251. The Commission allowed an overall rate of return for WGL of 7.57 percent on a rate base of \$255,674,210. Among other things, the Commission directed WGL to file a Class Cost of Service Study (“CCOSS”) within 6 months of the filing of its next base rate case.<sup>2</sup> The Commission stated, it was considering whether interruptible distribution revenues should be included in the cost of service and directed WGL to file an alternative CCOSS in its next rate case that includes all interruptible revenue and costs for one or more interruptible classes within the overall CCOSS instead of an extra or sequential analysis.<sup>3</sup>

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<sup>1</sup> *Formal Case No. 1137, In the Matter of the Application of Washington Gas Light Company for Authority to Increase Existing Rates and Charges for Gas Service (“Formal Case No. 1137”),* Order No. 18712, rel. March 3, 2017, ¶ 378 (“Order No. 18712”).

<sup>2</sup> Order No. 18712, ¶ 378.

<sup>3</sup> Order No. 18712, ¶¶ 377-378. The Commission indicated that the alternative CCOSS should consider the value or cost of the distribution system capabilities supported by firm customers but utilized by interruptible customers as well as the appropriate allocation methodology for these capabilities. The Commission directed WGL to provide:

The model, format, and allocation methods necessary to include Special Contract customers, IDS customers, and other potential classes or subclasses. The allocation methods should include one or more methods to reflect how the non-peak capacity used to serve these customers has been allocated to them and/or credited to firm customers. The CCOSS should include space and ‘switches’ to allow the Commission and other parties to select one or more allocation methods for non-peak capacity.

3. On July 12, 2019, WGL filed its CCOSS.<sup>4</sup> On September 6, 2019, the Commission published a notice in the *D.C. Register* soliciting comments from interested persons.<sup>5</sup> Having received comments from the Office of the People’s Counsel for the District of Columbia and the Apartment and Office Building Association of Metropolitan Washington, as well as reply comments from WGL, the Commission hereby schedules a technical conference to allow for further discussions on WGL’s CCOSS to ensure that it is compliant with the directives in Order No. 18712. The Technical Conference will convene November 22, 2019, at 10:00 a.m. in the Commission’s Hearing Room.

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<sup>4</sup> *Formal Case No. 1137 (“Formal Case No. 1137”)*, Washington Gas Light Company’s Class Cost of Service Study Per Order No. 18712, filed July 12, 2019 (“WGL’s CCOSS”).

<sup>5</sup> *66 D.C. Reg. 11936-11937* (September 6, 2019).