

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

**PUBLIC NOTICE**

**December 18, 2017**

**FORMAL CASE NO. 1125, IN THE MATTER OF THE PROMOTION OF THE UTILITY DISCOUNT PROGRAMS**

1. The Public Service Commission of the District of Columbia (“Commission”) hereby gives notice that, on November 30, 2017, the Department of Energy and Environment (“DOEE”) filed its invoices for DOEE’s Utility Discount Program (“UDP”) administrative expenses and costs for the Consumer Education Program (“CEP”) for the Fourth Quarter of Fiscal Year 2017 (“Fourth Quarter FY 2017”).<sup>1</sup>

2. In Fiscal Year 2017 (“FY 2017”), DOEE is the administrator for three of the four low-income UDPs<sup>2</sup> as well as the CEP.<sup>3</sup> As such, it performed administrative functions that are to be reimbursed by Washington Gas Light Company (“WGL”), the Potomac Electric Power Company (“Pepco”), and DC Water; and incurred CEP costs that are to be reimbursed by WGL, Pepco, DC Water, and the District of Columbia Universal Service Trust Fund (“DC USTF”). In Order No. 17246, the Commission approved a new process for DOEE to request reimbursement for its expenses, which includes issuing a public notice when invoices are filed with the Commission to obtain public comment on these invoices.<sup>4</sup>

3. In its Fourth Quarter FY 2017 Invoices, DOEE includes information on Fourth Quarter advertising, Fourth Quarter administrative expenses, and a report regarding the annual recertification.<sup>5</sup> DOEE also includes the invoices for the Fourth Quarter FY 2017 and several tables that provide details on the expenses incurred by DOEE in Fourth Quarter FY 2017. The

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<sup>1</sup> *Formal Case No. 1125, In the Matter of the Promotion of the Utility Discount Programs (“Formal Case No. 1125”)*, Department of Energy and Environment’s Fourth Quarter Invoices for FY 2017 (“DOEE Fourth Quarter FY 2017 Invoices”), filed November 30, 2017. This filing was accompanied by DOEE’s Motion to File Invoices out of Time.

<sup>2</sup> The four UDPs in the District of Columbia are the Customer Assistance Program (“CAP”) for water customers; Lifeline, for telephone customers; Residential Aid Discount (“RAD”) for electric customers; and Residential Essential Service (“RES”) for gas customers.

<sup>3</sup> The Commission notes that as of October 1, 2013, DOEE is no longer performing administrative functions for the Lifeline service program, but remains the administrator of the RES, RAD, and CAP programs.

<sup>4</sup> *Formal Case No. 813, In the Matter of the Application of Potomac Electric Power Company for an Increase in its Retail Rates for the Sale of Electrical Energy and Formal Case No. 988, In the Matter of the Development of Universal Service Standards and the Universal Service Trust Fund for the District of Columbia (“Formal Case Nos. 813 and 988”)*, Order No. 17246, rel. September 19, 2013.

<sup>5</sup> DOEE Fourth Quarter FY 2017 Invoices at 1-2.

first table is the UDP administrative budget summary, which breaks down UDP expenditures by line item.<sup>6</sup> DOEE's next table breaks down the expenses for the CEP, itemizing the amounts spent on the various outreach programs.<sup>7</sup> The third table provides details regarding the expenses incurred for the UDP administrative budget.<sup>8</sup> The next four pages are the separate invoices for the Fourth Quarter FY 2017 for DC USTF, Pepco, WGL, and DC Water, itemizing the expenses by line item.<sup>9</sup> DOEE also includes a listing of the CEP purchases made and paid for.<sup>10</sup>

4. All persons interested in commenting on the DOEE Fourth Quarter FY 2017 Invoices may submit written comments and reply comments not later than ten (10) and twenty (20) days, respectively, after the Commission's issuance of this Notice. Comments are to be addressed to Brinda Westbrook-Sedgwick, Commission Secretary, Public Service Commission of the District of Columbia, 1325 G Street, N.W., Suite 800, Washington, D.C. 20005. Copies of DOEE's Fourth Quarter FY 2017 Invoices may be obtained by visiting the Commission's website at [www.dcpsc.org](http://www.dcpsc.org). Once at the website, open the "eDocket" tab, click on "Search database" and input "FC 1125" as the case number and "212" as the item number. Copies of DOEE's Fourth Quarter FY 2017 Invoices may also be purchased, at cost, by contacting the Commission Secretary at (202) 626-5150 or PSC-CommissionSecretary@dc.gov.

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<sup>6</sup> DOEE Fourth Quarter FY 2017 Invoices, Attachment at 1. The Commission notes that the tables are not paginated, so the page numbers are the Commission's additions.

<sup>7</sup> DOEE Fourth Quarter FY 2017 Invoices, Attachment at 2.

<sup>8</sup> DOEE Fourth Quarter FY 2017 Invoices, Attachment at 3.

<sup>9</sup> DOEE Fourth Quarter FY 2017 Invoices, Attachment at 4-7.

<sup>10</sup> DOEE Fourth Quarter FY 2017 Invoices. Attachment at 8-11.