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DCPSC Hosts Community Town Hall on Grid Modernization Proceeding

(WASHINGTON, D.C.) – The Public Service Commission of the District of Columbia (Commission) hosted a Town Hall on Modernizing the Energy Delivery System for Increased Sustainability (MEDSIS) to receive initial community feedback on the proceeding. The MEDSIS Town Hall, held on February 28, 2017, focused on Commission staff proposals for potential District-specific pilot and demonstration projects aimed at increasing the sustainability of the District’s energy system. Over 20 community leaders and civic organizations were represented at the town hall.

During the town hall, Commission staff provided an overview of the MEDSIS Initiative and the [MEDSIS Staff Report](#), which was released on January 25, 2017. The Commission also heard comments from the public, including community and government organizations, on proposed parameters addressing how the \$25 million MEDSIS Subaccount Fund, established in the Pepco-Exelon Merger, can be used to implement District-appropriate pilot and demonstration projects, as outlined in Section VII of the MEDSIS Staff Report.

“The Commission is happy to see District consumers interested in the MEDSIS Initiative,” stated Chairman Betty Ann Kane. “It is essential to have input from District consumers about the future of the District’s energy delivery system. With rapid changes in technology as well as sustainability efforts, we want to ensure that we are able to meet the needs of District ratepayers now and into the future.”

The Commission issued [Order No. 17912](#), which opened Formal Case No. 1130 and established MEDSIS to identify technologies and policies that can be implemented to modernize the regulatory and physical infrastructure in distributing electricity and natural gas in the District of Columbia. The goal of MEDSIS is to increase sustainability for District consumers and make the energy delivery system more reliable, efficient, cost effective and interactive.

The Commission is taking public comment on the MEDSIS Staff Report until March 27, 2017.

To obtain a copy of the Report and for more information about Formal Case No. 1130, Investigation into MEDSIS, please visit the MEDSIS webpage on Commission’s website at: www.dcpssc.org/medsis.

The Public Service Commission of the District of Columbia is an independent agency established by Congress in 1913 to regulate electric, natural gas, and telecommunications companies in the District of Columbia.

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