## PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA 1333 H STREET, N.W., 2<sup>ND</sup> FLOOR, WEST TOWER WASHINGTON, D.C. 20005

## **PUBLIC NOTICE**

**December 4, 2013** 

## 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

1. The Public Service Commission of the District of Columbia ("Commission") hereby gives notice that, on November 21, 2013, the District Department of the Environment's Energy Office ("DDOE") filed a Motion to Submit its Fiscal Year 2013, Fourth Quarter Invoices Out of Time ("DDOE Motion").<sup>1</sup> DDOE's invoices for the Fourth Quarter of Fiscal Year 2013 ("FY 2013") were attached to this Motion.

2. In FY 2013, DDOE was the administrator for the four low-income Utility Discount Programs ("UDP")<sup>2</sup> and the Consumer Education Program ("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"), DC Water, and the District of Columbia Universal Service Trust Fund ("DC USTF"). In Order No. 17246, the Commission approved a new process for DDOE 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>

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</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"), The District Department of the Environment's Motion to Submit its Fiscal Year 2013, Fourth Quarter Invoices Out of Time ("DDOE Motion"), filed November 21, 2013. While the Motion is styled as the District Department of the Environment's Motion is filed on behalf of its Energy Office.

<sup>&</sup>lt;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>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> The Commission notes that as of October 1, 2013, DDOE is no longer performing administrative functions for the Lifeline service program, but remains the administrator of the RES, RAD, and CAP programs. DDOE performed administrative activities for all four UDP for all of FY 2013, however.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> *Formal Case Nos. 813 and 988*, Order No. 17246, rel. September 19, 2013.

3. In its Motion, DDOE includes the invoices for the Fourth Quarter FY 2013 and several tables that provide details on the expenses incurred by DDOE in Fourth Quarter FY 2013. DDOE first provides an income statement including all expenses for all four quarters in FY 2013, breaking them down by quarter and by line item.<sup>5</sup> The next four pages are the separate invoices for the Fourth Quarter FY 2013 for DC Water, Pepco, WGL, and the DC USTF, itemizing the expenses by quarter and line item.<sup>6</sup> The next table is a UDP administrative budget summary, which provides further detail regarding the expenses incurred each quarter.<sup>7</sup> Page 10 breaks down the expenses for the CEP, itemizing the amounts spent on the various outreach programs.<sup>8</sup> The last chart provides a summary of the FY 2013 UDP expenses, broken down by utility or fund.<sup>9</sup>

4. All persons interested in commenting on the DDOE Motion 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, 1333 H Street, N.W., West Tower, Suite 200, Washington, D.C. 20005. Copies of the DDOE Motion may be obtained by visiting the Commission's website at <a href="https://www.dcpsc.org">www.dcpsc.org</a> or at cost, by contacting the Commission Secretary at (202) 626-5150 or <a href="https://www.dcpsc.org">bwestbrook@psc.dc.gov</a>.

<sup>9</sup> DDOE Motion at 11.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>5</sup> DDOE Motion at 4. The Commission notes that the tables are not paginated, so the page numbers are the Commission's additions.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>6</sup> DDOE Motion at 5-8.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>7</sup> DDOE Motion at 9.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>8</sup> DDOE Motion at 10.