## PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA 1333 H STREET, N.W., SECOND FLOOR, WEST TOWER WASHINGTON, D.C. 20005

## **PUBLIC NOTICE**

May 5, 2015

## 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 April 30, 2015, the District Department of the Environment's Energy Administration ("DDOE") filed its invoices for DDOE's Utility Discount Program ("UDP") administrative expenses and costs for the Consumer Education Program ("CEP") for the Second Quarter of Fiscal Year 2015 ("Second Quarter FY 2015").
- 2. In Fiscal Year 2015 ("FY 2015"), DDOE 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 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>
- 3. In its Second Quarter FY 2015 Invoices, DDOE includes the invoices for the Second Quarter FY 2015 and several tables that provide details on the expenses incurred by DDOE in Second Quarter FY 2015. The first table is the UDP administrative budget summary,

Formal Case No. 1125, In the Matter of the Promotion of the Utility Discount Programs ("Formal Case No. 1125"), Letter to Brinda Westbrook-Sedgwick, Commission Secretary, from Brian R. Caldwell, Assistant Attorney General, on behalf of the District Department of the Environment's Energy Administration ("DDOE"), ("DDOE Second Quarter FY 2015 Invoices"), filed April 30, 2015.

The four Utility Discount Programs 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.

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.

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, Order No. 17246, rel. September 19, 2013.

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which breaks down UDP expenditures by line item.<sup>5</sup> DDOE's next table breaks down the expenses for the CEP, itemizing the amounts spent on the various outreach programs.<sup>6</sup> The third table provides detail regarding the expenses incurred for the UDP administrative budget.<sup>7</sup> DDOE then provides an income statement including all expenses for the Second Quarter FY 2015, breaking them down by line item.<sup>8</sup> The next four pages are the separate invoices for the Second Quarter FY 2015 for DC USTF, Pepco, WGL, and DC Water, itemizing the expenses by line item.<sup>9</sup>

4. All persons interested in commenting on the DDOE Second Quarter FY 2015 Invoices may submit written comments and reply comments not later than 10 and 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 DDOE's First Quarter FY 2015 Invoices may be obtained by visiting the Commission's website at <a href="www.dcpsc.org">www.dcpsc.org</a>. Once at the website, open the "eDocket" tab, click on "Search database" and input "FC 1125" as the case number and "46" as the item number. Copies of DDOE's Second Quarter FY 2015 Invoices may also be purchased, at cost, by contacting the Commission Secretary at (202) 626-5150 or PSC-CommissionSecretary@dc.gov.

DDOE Second Quarter FY 2015 Invoices, Attachment at 1. The Commission notes that the tables are not paginated, so the page numbers are the Commission's additions.

DDOE Second Quarter FY 2015 Invoices, Attachment at 2.

DDOE Second Quarter FY 2015 Invoices, Attachment at 3.

DDOE Second Quarter FY 2015 Invoices, Attachment at 4.

DDOE Second Quarter FY 2015 Invoices, Attachment at 5-8.