

## **Advisory Neighborhood Commission 1C**

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RE: Pepco application for rate increase

Dear Ms. Westbrook-Sedgwick:

At a duly-noticed public meeting held on April 5, 2017, with a quorum present, and after hearing from both Pepco representatives and those from the Office of the People's Counsel, Advisory Neighborhood Commission 1C passed a resolution opposing Pepco's application by a vote of 7-0-0. (resolution attached) Please provide this to the Commission and advise me if anything further is required.

Ted Guthrie

Chair, ANC 1C

## ANC 1C Resolution Advising the PSC to Reject a Majority of Pepco's Request to Increase Rates

**WHEREAS**, the Public Service Commission of the District of Columbia ("Commission") will make a decision this year on Formal Case No. 1139, the Potomac Electric Power Company's ("Pepco") application to increase its distribution rates.

WHEREAS, reliable, economical electric service is essential to the quality of life for the citizens of ANC 1C and the city as a whole; and the District government has adopted standards of reliability for electricity service, the Commission should require Pepco to meet said reliability standards or face financial penalties,

WHEREAS, a major benefit to ratepayers in this case is the Customer Base Rate Credit ("CBRC") approved by the Public Service Commission as part of the Pepco-Exelon merger. The residents of ANC 1C urge the Commission to allocate the entire balance of the CBRC to residential consumers because the residential rate class, unlike the commercial rate classes, lacks the ability to pass on the rate increase in the value of goods and services.

WHEREAS, continued annual increases in essential utility services is a financial hardship on low-income consumers and seniors on fixed incomes,

WHEREAS, Pepco should not be allowed to recover costs for construction projects that are not providing benefits to consumers,

WHEREAS, the Commission must ensure that Pepco is in strict compliance with all of the merger commitments and that measures should be taken if the company is not in compliance,

**THEREFORE**, ANC 1C hereby resolves to advise the Public Service Commission to grant Pepco no more of a rate increase as advised by the Office of the People's Counsel.