

**PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA
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WASHINGTON, D.C. 20005**

PUBLIC NOTICE OF VIRTUAL COMMUNITY HEARING

December 3, 2021

**FORMAL CASE NO. 1168, IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATIONS FOR
APPROVAL OF BIENNIAL UNDERGROUND INFRASTRUCTURE IMPROVEMENT
PROJECTS PLANS AND FINANCING ORDERS,**

1. Through this Public Notice, the Public Service Commission of the District of Columbia (“Commission”) schedules a virtual community hearing to seek input from residents and businesses on the Potomac Electric Power Company (“Pepco”) and the District of Columbia Department of Transportation (“DDOT”) Joint Application, which requests approval of the third biennial Underground Infrastructure Improvement Projects Plan (“Third Biennial Plan”).¹ In accordance with D.C. Code § 34-1313.09(c)(3), the virtual community hearing for *Formal Case No. 1168* is scheduled for Tuesday, January 11, 2022, at 6:00 p.m.

2. On September 30, 2021, Pepco and DDOT filed their Joint Application, which identifies four (4) electric distribution feeders that are currently overhead, all or parts of which Pepco and DDOT propose to place underground as part of the District of Columbia Power Line Undergrounding (“DC PLUG”) project. These 4 feeders are located in District Wards 3, 5, 7, and 8. The Joint Application also requests approval of a change in the “Underground Project Charge” (“UPC”) to recover costs incurred by Pepco to underground the selected feeders and other authorized costs and charges. Pursuant to the Undergrounding Act (D.C. Code § 34-1311.01, *et. seq.*), the UPC is applicable to Pepco’s District of Columbia customers who purchase electric distribution service, except for low-income customers served under Pepco’s Residential Aid Discount (“RAD”) Rider. The proposed UPC for 2022 represents a total increase of approximately two (2) cents per month for a typical residential customer on Standard Offer Service (“SOS”) who uses 692 kWh per month.

3. Pepco also requests the Commission to issue a financing order authorizing Pepco to assess a charge, called the “Underground Rider,” to recover charges imposed on Pepco by the District of Columbia. The charge imposed on Pepco by the District of Columbia is called the DDOT Underground Electric Company Infrastructure Improvement Charge or “DDOT Charge.” DDOT will use amounts paid by Pepco in respect of the DDOT Charge to fund costs associated with work performed by DDOT to underground the distribution feeders included in the Third Biennial Plan. The Underground Rider is applicable to all customers who take electric distribution

¹ *Formal Case No. 1168, In the Matter of the Applications for Approval of Biennial Underground Infrastructure Improvement Projects Plans and Financing Orders*, Application for Approval of the Third Biennial Underground Infrastructure Improvement Projects Plan of the District Department of Transportation and Potomac Electric Power Company, filed September 30, 2021.

service, except low-income customers served under Pepco’s RAD Rider. The proposed Underground Rider for 2022 represents a total increase of approximately three (3) cents per month for a typical residential SOS customer who uses 692 kWh per month.

4. Those who wish to testify at the virtual community hearing should contact the Commission Secretary by the close of business, five (5) business days prior to the date of the hearing by sending an email to PSC-CommissionSecretary@dc.gov. Representatives of organizations shall be permitted a maximum of five (5) minutes for oral presentations. Individuals shall be permitted a maximum of three (3) minutes for oral presentations. If an organization or an individual is unable to offer comments at the virtual community hearing, written statements may be submitted by email to PSC-CommissionSecretary@dc.gov, or through the Commission's eDocket system at https://edocket.dcpSC.org/public/public_comments until January 13, 2022, referencing the *Formal Case No. 1168* Docket. Additional instructions will be provided before the hearing to persons who have provided notice of their intent to participate.

5. Any person who is deaf or hard-of-hearing, who cannot readily understand or communicate in spoken English, or persons with disabilities who need special accommodations in order to participate in the hearing, must contact the Commission Secretary by the close of business, seven (7) days prior to the date of the community hearing. Persons who wish to testify in Spanish, Chinese, Amharic, French, Vietnamese, or Korean must also contact the Commission Secretary by close of business five (5) business days before the date of the hearing. **The number to call to request special accommodations and interpretation services is (202) 626-5150.**

6. The Joint Application is available for viewing on the Commission’s website (www.dcpSC.org). The Joint Application may also be inspected at the following public libraries:

District of Columbia Public Ward Libraries

Mount Pleasant Library
3160 16th St. NW
Washington, D.C. 20010
mtpleasantlibrary@dc.gov
202-671-3121

Southeast Library
900 Wesley Pl. SW
Washington, D.C. 20024
southwestlibrary@dc.gov
202-724-4752

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900 Wesley Pl. SW
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southwestlibrary@dc.gov
202-724-4752

Petworth Library
4200 Kansas Ave. NW
Washington, D.C. 20011
petworthlibrary@dc.gov
202-243-1188

Cleveland Park Library
4340 Connecticut Ave NW
Washington, D.C. 20008
clevelandparklibrary@dc.gov
202-282-3080

Woodridge Library
1801 Hamlin St. NE
Washington, D.C. 20018
woodridgelibrary@dc.gov
202-541-6226

Bellevue Library
William O. Lockridge
115 Atlantic St. SW
Washington, D.C. 20032
bellevuelibrary@dc.gov
202-243-1185

Capitol View Library 5001
Central Ave. SE
Washington, D.C. 20019
capitolviewlibrary@dc.gov
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