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Chairman

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The Honorable Phil Mendelson, Chairman
The Honorable Charles Allen
The Honorable Matthew Frumin
The Honorable Vincent C. Gray
The Honorable Christina Henderson
The Honorable Janeese Lewis George
The Honorable Brianne K. Nadeau
The Honorable Zachary Parker
The Honorable Brooke Pinto
The Honorable Robert C. White, Jr.
Council of the District of Columbia
1350 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW
Washington, D.C. 20004

Dear Chairman Mendelson and Councilmembers:

I am writing on behalf of the Public Service Commission (PSC) to acknowledge receipt of your letter dated February 7, 2024, regarding PROJECTpipes and the future of the District's gas distribution network. Thank you for your interest in the work of the Commission as it relates to these matters.

The core mission of the PSC is to provide safe, affordable, and reliable utility services for District of Columbia customers while also complying with our clean energy commitments. The Commission understands the critical role it plays in the District's clean energy transition and we take this responsibility quite seriously. The future of Washington Gas' accelerated pipeline replacement program, PROJECTpipes, is currently under review by the Commission in Formal Case No. 1175, *In the Matter of Washington Gas Light Company's Application for Approval of PROJECTpipes 3 Plan*. While I cannot comment substantively on open proceedings, I can assure you that we understand the prerogatives of the Climate Commitment Amendment Act of 2022 and its various mandates and will continue to take them into consideration as we supervise and regulate the utilities under our purview.

PSC looks forward to continuing to partner with the Council to move the District forward in achieving its climate goals. Thank you again for your thoughtful dialogue on this matter.

Sincerely,

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