

**PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA
1325 G STREET, N.W., SUITE 800
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20005**

NOTICE

August 4, 2023

**FORMAL CASE NO. 1017, IN THE MATTER OF THE DEVELOPMENT AND
DESIGNATION OF STANDARD OFFER SERVICE IN THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA,**

1. The Public Service Commission of the District of Columbia (“Commission”) hereby gives notice that the Commission initiates the 2023 Biennial Review of Standard Offer Service (“SOS”).

2. By statute, the Commission may conduct competitive bid procedures for the selection of a retail electricity supplier or suppliers to provide SOS for the District of Columbia (“District”); or authorize the electric company, Potomac Electric Power Company (“Pepco” or “Company”), to conduct competitive bid procedures to obtain third-party contracts to provide SOS for the District; or both.¹ In 2004, the Commission adopted a wholesale model in which Pepco, as the SOS Administrator, conducts competitive bidding to obtain third-party contracts to provide SOS for the District.²

3. In accordance with 15 DCMR § 4102.2, the Commission is required to conduct a review of the SOS Administrator’s SOS program every other year to make any appropriate adjustments to SOS as competitive developments in the District change.³ This process is referred to as the Biennial Review. The last Biennial Review was initiated in 2018,⁴ which resulted in several changes to the SOS process.⁵ A Biennial Review has not taken place since that time due to the COVID-19 pandemic.

4. The Commission has not identified any proposed adjustments to SOS in the District of Columbia to be addressed in this Biennial Review. The Commission invites interested persons to submit comments on any appropriate adjustments to the SOS Administrator’s SOS program the Commission should consider in light of competitive developments in the District within 30 days

¹ D.C. Official Code § 34-1509(d)(1).

² *Formal Case No. 1017, In the Matter of the Development and Designation of Standard Offer Service in the District of Columbia (“Formal Case No. 1017”)*, Order No. 13118, rel. March 1, 2004.

³ 15 DCMR § 4102.2 states that “[t]he Commission will conduct a review of the SOS Administrator’s SOS program every other year, beginning in 2010, to make any appropriate adjustments to SOS as competitive developments in the District of Columbia change. All adjustments shall be prospective and all contracts entered into prior to these changes shall remain in full force and effect pursuant to the contract terms.”

⁴ *Formal Case No. 1017*, Order No. 19431, rel. August 9, 2018.

⁵ *Formal Case No. 1017*, Order No. 19897, rel. April 12, 2019.

from the date of this Notice. Reply comments should be filed 45 days from the date of this Notice. Written comments should be addressed to Brinda Westbrook-Sedgwick, Commission Secretary, Public Service Commission of the District of Columbia, 1325 G Street, N.W., Suite 800, Washington, D.C. 20005, and sent electronically on the Commission's website at https://edocket.dcpSC.org/public/public_comments. Persons with questions concerning this Notice should call (202) 626-5150 or send an email to psc-commissionsecretary@dc.gov.

A TRUE COPY:

BY DIRECTION OF THE COMMISSION:

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Brinda Westbrook-Sedgwick". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large initial "B".

CHIEF CLERK:

**BRINDA WESTBROOK-SEDGWICK
COMMISSION SECRETARY**