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## **Maryland PSC Schedules Hearings for WGL Holdings, AltaGas Merger Application**

(Baltimore, MD—September 13, 2017) – The Maryland Public Service Commission will hold two public hearings later this month on the proposed merger of WGL Holdings, Inc., Washington Gas Light Company and AltaGas, Ltd. WGL Holdings is the parent company of Washington Gas, which would become part of the family of AltaGas distribution utilities if the merger takes place.

Washington Gas has more than 473,000 customers in Maryland (primarily in Prince George's and Montgomery counties) and employs about 1,500 people. AltaGas is headquartered in Calgary, Alberta, Canada and has more than 1,600 employees.

The Commission, in its authority to approve or deny the \$4.5 billion transaction, must consider the potential impacts of the merger on customer rates and charges, on Washington Gas' employment levels, on issues of reliability, quality of service and quality of customer service, and whether the merger is in the public interest, including benefits and no harm to consumers. Evidentiary hearings in the case are scheduled for October 3-6, October 10-13 and October 16-17, 2017 at the Commission's offices in Baltimore. The Commission must make a decision by December 5, 2017.

Members of the public who wish to comment on the matter are welcome to attend one of the hearings where they may express their views:

**Tuesday, September 26, 2017 at 6:30pm**

Prince George's Community College, Largo Student Center  
Room 227—Community Room B  
301 Largo Road  
Largo, Maryland 20774

**Thursday, September 28, 2017 at 6:30pm**

Montgomery County Council Office Building – 3<sup>rd</sup> Floor Hearing Room  
100 Maryland Avenue  
Rockville, Maryland 20850

The application and associated filings in the case are available in the electronic docket for Case No. [9449](#), which may be viewed or downloaded at [www.psc.state.md.us](http://www.psc.state.md.us).

Written comments referencing Case No. [9449](#) may also be mailed by **Friday, October 20, 2017** to:

David J. Collins, Executive Secretary  
Maryland Public Service Commission  
William Donald Schaefer Tower  
6 St. Paul Street  
Baltimore, MD 21202

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