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# Maryland PSC Seeks Public Input on Washington Gas Rate Increase Request

(BALTIMORE, MD-July 15, 2019) – The Maryland Public Service Commission will hold two public comment hearings on the request by Washington Gas Light Company to increase its gas service rates by \$35.9 million, of which \$5.1 million is currently being collected through a system improvement surcharge. According to the application, a typical residential heating customer's total gas bill will increase approximately 5.5 percent. Washington Gas serves 489,000 gas customers in Calvert, Charles, Frederick, Montgomery, Prince George's and St. Mary's counties.

Members of the public who wish to comment on the matter are welcome to attend one or both of the hearings before Public Utility Law Judge Janice M. Flynn. The hearings are scheduled as follows:

# Monday, July 29, 2019 at 6:00 p.m.

Montgomery County Council Office Building, 3<sup>rd</sup> Floor Hearing Room 100 Maryland Avenue in Rockville (Montgomery County)

## Tuesday, August 6, 2019 at 6:15 p.m.

Prince George's Community College Largo Student Center, Rennie Forum 301 Largo Road in Largo (Prince George's County)

Filings in this case are available in the electronic docket file for Case No. <u>9605</u>, which may be viewed or downloaded at <u>www.psc.state.md.us.</u>

Written comments may be submitted by **August 9, 2019** using the Commission's public comments electronic filing system, instructions for which can be found at <a href="https://www.psc.state.md.us/make-a-public-comment/">https://www.psc.state.md.us/make-a-public-comment/</a>. After completing a one-time registration, comments may be submitted in a variety of formats including PDF, Word, Excel, etc. Photos may also be uploaded with comments.

As an alternative, comments referencing Case No. <u>9605</u> may also be <u>mailed</u> (**by August 9, 2019**) to:

Terry J. Romine, Executive Secretary Maryland Public Service Commission William Donald Schaefer Tower 6 St. Paul Street, 16th Floor Baltimore, MD 21202

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