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Spring 2008 Residential Utility Prices Forecast
The Impact on Your Bill

<p>People Serving the Community</p>	<p>NATURAL GAS</p> 	<p>ELECTRICITY</p> 	<p>TELEPHONE</p> 
<p>Prices Set by the DCPSC</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The DCPSC sets the rate for the distribution portion of WGL's bill through a rate case. The distribution portion of the bill covers local delivery of natural gas to the customer. On December 28, 2007, in Order No. 14694 in Formal Case 1053, DCPSC approved an increase in distribution rates. The average residential heating bill rose by 0.5% or approximately 50 cents per month or \$6.00 per year. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The DCPSC sets the rate for the distribution portion of PEPCO's bill through a rate case. On January 30, 2008, in Order No. 14712 in Formal Case 1054, DCPSC approved an increase in PEPCO's distribution rates. The average monthly bill of a typical residential customer increased 2.27% or \$1.74 under the new rates. Distribution service rates for Residential Aid Discount (RAD) customers did not change because they are capped until August 2009. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The DCPSC sets the rates for Verizon's basic residential services – Unlimited Flat Rate Service, Message Rate "B" Service, Economy I Service, and Flat/Rate Message Rate Service. There will not be any increase in these Verizon basic residential local service rates this spring.
<p>Prices <u>Not</u> Set by the DCPSC</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> WGL and three alternative natural gas suppliers (Gateway Energy Services Corp., NOVEC Energy Solutions, and Washington Gas Energy Services) are accepting new residential customers in the District. Natural gas costs equal about 70% of total residential bills. The price for the natural gas itself is market-based meaning it varies with the market. WGL's March natural gas prices rose about 8% over the year and are likely to go up by about 5% in April '08. The DCPSC audits WGL's natural gas procurement costs to ensure that WGL does not earn a profit on those costs. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> PEPCO and three alternative electric generation and transmission suppliers (Horizon Power and Light, Pepco Energy Services and Washington Gas Energy Services) are accepting new residential customers in the District. Generation and transmission prices account for about 80% of residential electric bills. PEPCO's winter rate (generation and transmission), beginning with November bills and ending in May, is up roughly 16% from a year ago. The new summer rate (generation and transmission) beginning June 1 is up 18% from a year ago. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Verizon and seven Competitive Local Exchange Carriers (CLECs) (Access Point, ATX, Broadview Networks, Excewl, VarTec, MetTel, and RNK) are accepting new District residential customers for local telephone service only. One CLEC (RCN) provides basic service bundled with other local services. The DCPSC does not set the prices for Verizon's competitors so their prices are market-based. The DCPSC expects a small increase in unregulated local telephone service prices in the spring of 2008.

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