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House Bill 260 Residential Electricity and Gas Supply Billing Information--Reports

House Bill 260 requires electric and gas companies to submit to the Public Service Commission (PSC) beginning July 1, 2021, monthly reports containing detailed billing information on the supply of electricity and gas to residential customers, differentiating between low-income customers and all other customers.

A low-income customer as defined in the bill means an electric or gas customer who receives energy assistance from the Office of Home Energy Programs (OHEP) in the Department of Human Services. To receive energy assistance in Maryland a customer's annual income must be at or below 175% of the federal poverty level. Pepco and Delmarva Power support transparency in pricing and contract terms and note that COMAR includes provisions dedicated to consumer protection. However, Pepco and Delmarva Power would like to clarify that this bill, as it relates to electric companies like ours, should only be required to provide data for Standard Offer of Service (SOS) Customers. Electric utilities have access to SOS Customers who receive assistance from OHEP and could provide this data to the Commission on a monthly basis.

Third-party suppliers serving in the Pepco and Delmarva Power service territories provide us with what we term "bill ready" information. This means that a third-party supplier provides Pepco and Delmarva Power with only the information necessary to bill a customer and does not provide the rate at which it has contracted with a customer. Accordingly, any information sought in House Bill 260 for customers served by third-party suppliers should be provided by third-party suppliers, not electric companies.

Proposed amendments to address these items are attached.

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HB 260 Residential Electricity and Gas Supply Billing Information – Reports
Proposed Amendments:

Page 2, Line 7, after “BEGINNING JULY 1, 2021,” insert “**SUBJECT TO PARAGRAPH (2),**”

Page 2, after Line 14, insert “**(2) IN REPORTS REQUIRED UNDER THIS SECTION, A PUBLIC SERVICE COMPANY SHALL ONLY INCLUDE INFORMATION FOR CUSTOMERS SUPPLIED BY THE ELECTRICITY STANDARD OFFER SERVICE OR UTILITY-PROCURED GAS.**”

Page 2, Line 15, change “2” to “**3**”.