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**OPPOSE – House Bill 1207**  
**Electric Companies – Conduit Installation – Single-Family Detached Developments**

Potomac Electric Power Company (Pepco) and Delmarva Power & Light Company (Delmarva Power) oppose **House Bill 1207 Electric Companies – Conduit Installation – Single-Family Detached Developments**. House Bill 1207 would prohibit an electric company from requiring a builder or developer of a single-family detached development to install, at the builder's or developer's own cost, conduit that may be required for the electric company's proposed underground electric system anywhere within the development.

This bill will shift the cost of work required by a developer to all of Pepco's and Delmarva Power's customers instead of limiting it to only the limited people served by a development. This bill could be applicable to service routing through retaining walls, extreme grade changes, or conductor path under sidewalks due to lack of easements or green space planned out by the developer. Absolving developers of costs related to this type of work will cause these additional cost burdens to be absorbed by all utility customers. House Bill 1207 would in effect, raise rates for all customers.

For the above reasons Pepco and Delmarva Power respectfully request an unfavorable vote on House Bill 1207.

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