

PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA
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WASHINGTON, D.C. 20005

PUBLIC NOTICE

August 2, 2024

FORMAL CASE NO. 1178, IN THE MATTER OF THE PETITION FOR INVESTIGATION INTO WASHINGTON GAS LIGHT COMPANY’S SYSTEM LEAK REDUCTION PRACTICES,

1. By this Notice, the Public Service Commission of the District of Columbia invites interested persons to comment on the topic of “Washington Gas Light Company’s Protocols on Identification and Categorization of Grades 1, 2, and 3 Leaks” as part of *Formal Case No. 1178*. Comments are due by August 31, 2024.

2. By Order No. 22004, the Commission opened *Formal Case No. 1178*, granting, in part, the Office of the People’s Counsel for the District of Columbia’s petition for an investigation into Washington Gas Light Company’s (“WGL” or “Company”) leak reduction and management practices.¹ The Order stated that the Commission will hold technical conferences on several topics within the confines of the investigation. An initial technical conference on methods of leak detection has been scheduled for September 20, 2024. A second upcoming technical conference will address “WGL’s existing protocols for identifying and classifying Grades 1, 2, and 3 leaks in the District”, where the Company will “explain how leaks are prioritized for repair and how related expenditures are categorized as repairs or replacements.”²

3. Interested parties are invited to provide comments on this topic, including relevant questions, concerns, and recommendations for best practices specific to this topic. The Commission has directed WGL to provide materials and responses to questions raised by the parties within fifteen (15) days of the date of the first technical conference, scheduled to be held September 20, 2024.³

4. All persons interested in commenting on the categorization of leak grades may submit written comments not later than August 31, 2024. Comments should be filed with the Commission Secretary at psc-commissionsecretary@dc.gov. Copies of Order No. 22004 may be obtained by visiting the Commission’s website at www.dcpsc.org. Once at the website, open the “eDocket” tab, click on “Search Current Dockets” and input “FC 1178” as the case number and “4” as the item number.

¹ *Formal Case No. 1178, In the Matter of the Petition for Investigation into Washington Gas Light Company’s System Leak Reduction Practices*, Order No. 22004, rel. June 12, 2024 (“Order No. 22004”).

² Order No. 22004, ¶ 19.

³ Order No. 22004, ¶¶ 19, 26.

A TRUE COPY:

BY DIRECTION OF THE COMMISSION:

A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "Brinda Westbrook-Sedgwick". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large initial 'B' and a long, sweeping underline.

CHIEF CLERK:

**BRINDA WESTBROOK-SEDGWICK
COMMISSION SECRETARY**