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## ANC 3C Resolution No. 2017-013 ANC 3C Resolution Advising the Public Service Commission to Reject a Majority of Pepco's Request to Increase Rates

WHEREAS, the Public Service Commission ("Commission") of Washington, DC, will be making a decision this year on the distribution rate increase request of Pepco Holdings Inc., ("Pepco") in Formal Case No. 1139; and

WHEREAS, Pepco made a presentation at the ANC3C March 2017 public meeting on the facts and merits of the distribution rate case; and

WHEREAS, PEPCO is requesting a \$76,766,000 revenue increase, which represents a 17.5% increase in the distribution portion of a customer's bill; and

WHEREAS, ANC 3C heard from the Office of the People's Counsel ("OPC") at the same public meeting about the facts and background of the rate case. OPC stated that the rate increase is not warranted by construction costs for projects completed and providing service to customers or by current market conditions; and

WHEREAS, Pepco is entitled to request a rate increase based on construction upgrades to maintain and improve reliability and a reasonable rate of return on equity:

Be It Resolved that ANC 3C supports reliable, economical electric service and believes it is essential to the quality of life for the citizens of ANC 3C and the City as a whole;

Be It Resolved that ANC 3C finds that continued annual increases in essential utility services is a financial hardship on low-income consumers and seniors on fixed incomes;

Be it Resolved that ANC 3C finds the major benefit to ratepayers in this rate case is the rate increase credit worth \$25.6 million, and urges the Commission to approve the credit and apply it all to residential consumers and any landlords of residential buildings who cannot pass the rate increase on to other people;

Be It Resolved that ANC 3C finds that Pepco should not be allowed to recover costs for construction projects that are not providing benefits to consumers, should not be able to recover costs related to the merger with Exelon that haven't been approved by the Commission or for employee bonuses and incentives, and should have an approved rate of return that is consistent with current market conditions;

Be It Resolved that ANC 3C urges the Commission to reject Pepco's rate increase request and to grant Pepco no more of a rate increase as the OPC argues is fair and just;

Be It Resolved that the Chair and/or her designee(s) are authorized to represent the commission on this matter.

Attested by

Nancy J. MacWood

Chair, on April 17, 2017

This resolution was approved by a voice vote, on April 17, 2017 at a scheduled and noticed public meeting of ANC 3C at which a quorum (a minimum of 5 of 9 commissioners) was present.