

Community *focus*

A Letter from Therese Yewell

Dear State Legislator:



Energy issues continue to be a major national topic. So it's not surprising that they were front and center during the 2007 legislative session. In fact, how to meet energy demand was the focus of attention during the summer at Governor O'Malley's Energy Summit and the Public Service Commission's Energy Conference.

PHI believes that in order to meet Maryland's future energy needs successfully, we must focus on three major elements. They include a mix of generation, transmission and energy conservation efforts. PHI will be part of the energy debate as we plan to address our points in the upcoming session.

Even as state policy continues to unfold, PHI is committed to helping our customers find ways to use energy more wisely -- which in turn helps protect our fragile environment. As you know, we have started a program to discount the price of select ENERGY STAR® compact fluorescent light bulbs (CFLs) for Maryland customers. Turn to page 2 for a story about our campaign.

I look forward to working with each of you in the 2008 legislative session. Best wishes for a Happy Holiday Season and for a successful General Assembly.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Therese Yewell".

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Pepco Offers More Ways To Save

Save energy, save money and save the environment.

We're discounting the price of select ENERGY STAR® qualified compact fluorescent light bulbs (CFLs) for our Maryland customers. They can save \$1.50 on each single bulb, and \$3 on multipacks when shopping at The Home Depot and Costco stores participating in Maryland.

Maryland customers should note that a minimal monthly surcharge will be added to electric bills sometime during the first quarter of 2008 to pay for the cost of this program. Pepco makes no profit from this offering.

Please note that CFLs use about 75 percent less energy and last up to 10 times longer than standard bulbs, so customers will save energy and money in the long run. When compared to a standard incandescent, a CFL saves about \$42 over the life of the bulb.*

And since CFLs use less energy, they're good for the environment. That means less power is used to obtain the same amount of light. If everyone uses less power, then power plants generate less electricity, which reduces greenhouse gas emissions.

Lighting accounts for up to 20 percent of a residential consumer's energy bill. That's why Pepco is urging Maryland customers to take advantage of our discount program and start saving energy and money now with compact fluorescent light bulbs.

Visit www.pepco.com for more information.

* 15-watt CFL used in place of a standard 60-watt incandescent based on current rates.

Store Locations

The following are Montgomery and Prince George's locations of stores participating in Pepco's CFL discount program.

The Home Depot

Gaithersburg #2550

15740 Shady Grove Road

Silver Spring #2558

14000 Georgia Avenue

Silver Spring #2551

Broad Birch Drive

Upper Marlboro

15410 Chrysler Drive

Oxon Hill #2554

6003 Oxon Hill Road

Capitol Heights #2555

150 Hampton Park Blvd.

College Park #2552

4800 Cherry Hill Road

Hyattsville #2564

3301 East West Highway

Costco

Gaithersburg

880 Russell Avenue



How To Maximize Energy Savings with CFLs

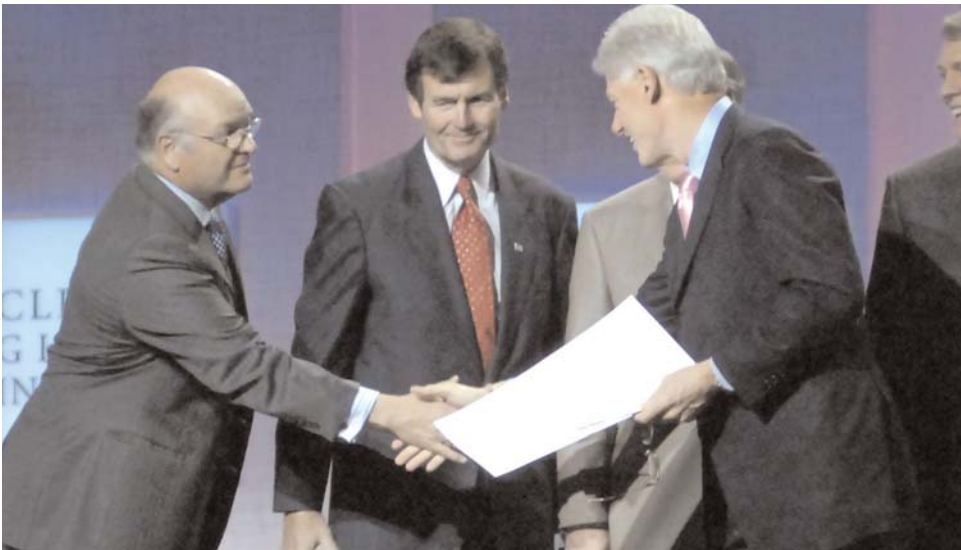
Many consumers are trying compact fluorescent light bulbs to reduce their energy costs and impact on climate change.

But to enjoy the greatest savings, ENERGY STAR®, the national program to save money and the environment through energy efficiency, recommends using CFLs in fixtures that are "on" for at least 15 minutes at a time or for several hours a day.

For instance, family and living rooms, the kitchen, dining rooms, bedrooms and outdoor fixtures are areas where installing qualified CFLs are recommended.

Here are some other guidelines from ENERGY STAR:

- Use CFLs in open fixtures that allow airflow, such as table and floor lamps, wall sconces, pendants, and outdoor fixtures.
- For recessed fixtures, it is better to use a reflector CFL than a spiral CFL since the design of the reflector evenly distributes the light down to your task area.



Dennis Wraase, PHI CEO, shakes hands with former President Bill Clinton at the annual meeting of the Clinton Global Initiative, with which PHI has partnered.

PHI Partners with Clinton Initiative to Promote Energy Efficiency

PHI and seven other electric utilities recently announced a partnership with Clinton Global Initiatives (CGI) to help reduce greenhouse gas emissions through energy efficiency.

PHI CEO Dennis Wraase joined former President and CGI founder Bill Clinton for the announcement at CGI's annual meeting in September in New York.

Together the utilities expect to invest about \$1 billion a year in energy efficiency over the next three years. That level of investment avoids about five million tons of carbon dioxide emissions per year – equivalent to removing about one million cars from the road and reducing the need for about ten 500-megawatt peak power plants.

Power Pathway Wins PJM Approval

Pepco Holdings' plan to provide greater service reliability and deliver more affordable energy to our Maryland customers has moved a major step forward.

The operator of the mid-Atlantic power grid, PJM Interconnection, recently approved PHI's proposal to build a 230-mile interstate power line to enhance electric reliability and improve transmission capacity for PHI's nearly two-million customers.

The Mid-Atlantic Power Pathway (MAPP) is a 500-kilovolt line that will relieve congestion in one of the country's most concentrated electricity markets. To be completed over an estimated seven-year period, the line will connect Northern Virginia to Maryland, cross the Delmarva Peninsula and link with the power grid in southern New Jersey.

Approval by PJM's Board of Managers in October was necessary before PHI could apply for local permits and undertake the environmental review process required before construction of the approximately \$1 billion transmission line can begin.

Life Support Needs? Plan Ahead for Power Outages

Pepco recognizes the hardships that customers with life-support needs face during power outages. We make every effort to provide advance notice of service interruptions due to scheduled maintenance work.

However, in a major emergency -- such as a large storm where there are extensive power outages -- it is not possible to provide priority restoration to special needs customers, including those who rely on life-support equipment.

Customers with special needs or their caregivers are encouraged to make arrangements ahead of time to prepare for potentially long-lasting interruptions in service.

If you know of residents in your community who use life-support equipment that requires electricity to operate, please encourage them to take time now to identify a location with emergency power capabilities and make plans to go there, in the event of a prolonged outage. Alternatively, that person can arrange to stay with a relative or friend who has power. Whatever the arrangement, it is important to have a plan in place.

In addition, customers who experience medical distress due to a power outage should contact 911 immediately

Golf and Tennis Tournament Raises \$150,000 for Maryland Charities

The PHI Community Foundation donated \$150,000 to two Maryland charities, thanks to the generous support of businesses who sponsored our Second Annual Pepco Golf and Tennis Classic. The tournament was held September 17 at the Country Club at Woodmore in Mitchellville.

Donations went to Catholic Charities of Montgomery County and United Communities Against Poverty of Prince George's County. These organizations will distribute the funds to help disadvantaged families pay heating bills this winter.

Last year, the inaugural tournament raised \$80,000 for those less fortunate in Montgomery and Prince George's counties.

Pepco already is making plans for the Third Annual Golf & Tennis Classic next year on September 15, 2008. The PHI Community Foundation is a part of Pepco Holdings, Inc., Pepco's corporate parent.

Tell Us What You Think

Modern living creates many demands on our time. Pepco understands that the time you spend reading Community Focus is valuable. That's why we want to ensure that the information in our publication benefits you and your constituents.

Please take a few minutes to offer feedback by answering questions in a brief survey found at the following Web site:

<https://www.pepco.com/contact/surveys>

Please respond by January 16 so we can use your comments and ideas to improve Community Focus in 2008. Your responses will be held in strict confidence.

Thank you for completing our survey.

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