FACT SHEET

Pepco to Improve Reliability in Ward 1 with Distribution Upgrade Project

Project Overview
We are always working to provide safe, reliable electric service to our customers, and to support the needs of the region. As part of this commitment, we are increasing capacity of approximately 8,000 feet of underground cables at the Harvard Substation by building a new conduit and upgrading cables from 4 kV to 13 kV. These upgrades will enhance reliability for customers in Ward 1 in the District of Columbia.

Project Work Plan Description
Preparing for Load Growth
In order to meet future energy needs, Pepco will convert 4kV underground distribution cables to 13kV in order to increase capacity and improve our system reliability as a whole. Pepco will first construct approximately 4,000 feet of conduit, 11 manholes, and 2 switches. Next, Pepco will install and splice approximately 8,000 feet of new cable. Finally, a scheduled outage will be required to energize the new cables. Construction is scheduled to begin July 2014 with completion targeted for March 2015.

Impacts on the Community
Pepco will work diligently to minimize impact to residents. Installation of the conduit will require lane closures and cause parking restrictions in some areas. We are coordinating with District of Columbia Department of Transportation to create traffic control plans to ensure public and worker safety and minimize disruption. Construction will be limited to certain times during the day to reduce traffic congestion. Proper flagging and signage will be used to minimize delays.

Construction does involve a certain amount of noise. In residential areas, work hours will be limited to daytime hours between morning and evening traffic rush hours. Construction can create temporary disruption, and Pepco’s goal is to minimize the impact wherever possible as the construction area moves down the street. We appreciate your patience as we complete this important work in your area.
Pepco’s Commitment: Keeping you informed
Our goal is to keep residents in the project area informed every step of the way. We will notify residents and businesses near the project area when construction will occur. We aim to complete the work with as little disruption as possible. If you have questions, please contact Chris Taylor, Pepco Public Affairs Manager, crtaylor@pepco.com.

Distribution Map

*Construction areas outlined in red.