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OPC Gets \$2.4 Million Win for Washington Gas Ratepayers

Washington, D.C. – People's Counsel for the District of Columbia Sandra Mattavous-Frye today said Washington Gas Light (WGL) customers are due \$2.4 million dollars in rate refunds as a result of a complaint OPC filed against WGL in 2014, questioning unauthorized and unlawful compensation practices by the company. The Public Service Commission issued an order today directing WGL to make refunds to consumers.

In its complaint, OPC requested the Commission open an investigation into allegations that WGL over-compensated Competitive Service Providers, who due to a WGL error, delivered more natural gas supplies than were needed during the 2008-2009 winter heating season. As a result of the unauthorized compensation, District ratepayers suffered because they ultimately cover the costs of over-payments through their rates.

“This is a huge victory for District consumers,” said Mattavous-Frye. “OPC takes its role of protecting District consumers very seriously. Thus, as OPC attorneys recognized questionable practices, filing this complaint against Washington Gas was only fitting, proper and ultimately has paid off for District residents. I am very pleased the PSC agreed with us.”

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