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**PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION  
OF WEST VIRGINIA  
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CASE NO. 24-041 3-E-ENEC  
APPALACHIAN POWER COMPANY and  
WHEELING POWER COMPANY  
Petition to initiate the annual review and to update  
the ENEC rates currently in effect.

**NOTICE OF FILING AND EVIDENTIARY  
AND PUBLIC COMMENT HEARINGS**

On April 30, 2024, Appalachian Power Company and Wheeling Power Company (jointly the Companies) filed their 2024 petition to initiate the annual review and update of Expanded Net Energy Cost (ENEC) rates. The Companies are seeking net changes in ENEC rates effective September 1, 2024, comprised of an approximate \$1.9 million decrease for residential customers and an approximate \$22.3 million increase for other classes of customers, or a net overall increase of \$20.4 million over annual revenues generated by ENEC rates, which include the ENEC under-recovery deferral rate increment previously approved by the Commission to begin September 1, 2024. The net \$20.4 million requested increase equals an approximate 1.13% overall increase in total revenues.

The impact on an average monthly bill by customer category is as follows:

	(\$) INCREASE/(DECREASE)	(%)INCREASE/ (DECREASE)
Residential	(\$0.39)	(0.23%)
Commercial	\$6.09	1.40%
Industrial	\$7,061.68	2.66%
Special Contract	24,053.11	4.37%
Other	\$0.03	0.17%

The increases shown are based on averages of all customers in the indicated class. Each class may receive an increase or decrease greater or less than stated here. Individual customers may receive increases that are greater or less than average. Furthermore, the requested rates and charges are only a proposal and are subject to change (increases or decreases) by the Public Service Commission in its review of this filing. Any increase in rates and charges

<sup>1</sup> Excludes Special Contract customers who are billed standard tariff rates.

will not become effective until authorized and approved by the Commission. (If a hearing is scheduled, notice will be given of the time and place of hearing.)

The Public Service Commission will conduct a public comment hearing in this matter on August 12, 2024, beginning at 5:30 p.m. The public comment hearing will be held virtually, allowing for interested persons to make a comment telephonically, through the Microsoft Teams application from the internet, or in person at the Commission headquarters. Interested persons intending to make a virtual public comment hearing should register with the Commission by 4:00 p.m. on Thursday, August 8, 2024. Registration may be made by any of the following methods:

(1) Through the Microsoft Teams meeting link located on the Commission's under the "PSC Hot Topics" section

(2) By calling 304-340-0836 (Karen Hall) or 304-340-0820 (Andrew Gallagher); or

(3) By emailing [khall@psc.state.wv.us](mailto:khall@psc.state.wv.us) or [agallagher@psc.state.wv.us](mailto:agallagher@psc.state.wv.us).

The link for the Microsoft Teams meeting will also be in a future press release from the Commission. Interested persons wishing to comment in-person at the public comment hearing should attend and sign up to speak at 5:00 p.m. at the Public Service Commission, Howard M. Cunningham Hearing Room, 201 Brooks Street, Charleston, West Virginia.

As an alternative to speaking at the public comment hearing virtually or in person, individuals or entities interested in providing written comments regarding this case should submit their comments by mail or hand delivery to Executive Secretary, P. O. Box 812, Charleston, West Virginia 25323 or online at <http://www.psc.state.wv.us> by clicking on "Submit A Comment" in the left column and following the directions provided. All written comments should be marked with Case No. 24-041 3-E-ENEC.

The Commission will conduct an evidentiary hearing at 9:00 a.m. on August 12, 2024, in the Howard M. Cunningham Hearing Room, Public Service Commission Building, 201 Brooks Street, Charleston, West Virginia. Interested persons should monitor the Commission's web docket and website because the public comment or evidentiary hearing may be cancelled for good cause.

Anyone desiring to protest or intervene should file a written protest or notice of intervention within thirty days of the date of this Notice, unless otherwise modified by Commission order. Failure to timely protest or intervene can affect your rights to protest any rate increases or to participate in future proceedings.

All protests or requests to intervene should briefly state the reason for the protest or intervention. Requests to intervene must comply with the Commission's rule on intervention set forth in the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure.

All interventions may be mailed and be addressed to Executive Secretary, Public Service Commission of West Virginia, P. O. Box 812, 201 Brooks St., Charleston, West Virginia 25323, or hand-delivered. Protests may be filed online through the Commission website using the "Submit a Comment" link or may be mailed or hand-delivered to the Executive Secretary at the address above.

A complete copy of the proposed rates, as well as a representative of the Companies to provide any information requested concerning it, is available to all customers, prospective customers, or their agents at any of the offices of the Companies.

A copy of the proposed rates is available for public inspection at the office of the Executive Secretary of the Public Service Commission at 201 Brooks Street, Charleston, West Virginia.

APPALACHIAN POWER COMPANY and  
WHEELING POWER COMPANY

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**CASE NO. 24-0443-G-PC**

**HOPE GAS, INC. and CONSUMERS GAS UTILITY COMPANY**  
Joint petition for consent and approval for  
Hope Gas, Inc. to acquire Consumers Gas Utility Company

**NOTICE OF FILING AND HEARING**

On May 10, 2024, Hope Gas, Inc. (Hope) and Consumers Gas Utility Company (Consumers) (jointly, petitioners) filed with the Public Service Commission of West Virginia (Commission) a joint petition (Joint Petition) for Commission consent and approval of a transaction pursuant to which Hope would acquire the capital stock in Consumers and merge Consumers into Hope. Consumers currently provides natural gas sales to approximately 8,500 customers in six counties in West Virginia.

In the Joint Petition, Consumers and Hope assert that the transaction will have no adverse effect on Consumers' or Hope's customers, other public utilities, or the public in general. Following the transaction, the former utility assets of Consumers will be owned and operated by Hope, subject to the Commission's continuing jurisdiction and regulation. From and after the closing of the transaction, the former customers of Consumers will become customers of Hope.

Upon the closing of the Transaction, Consumers' customers will continue to pay Consumers' existing base rates. Hope proposes to charge those customers the lower of Consumers' or Hope's purchased gas adjustment (PGA) rate as of the closing of the transaction, as it changes from time to time, and a Legacy Surcharge rate increment, which surcharge equates to Hope's pipeline replacement and expansion (PREP) rate increment, as it changes from time to time. Consequently, at close, based on the Consumers' current base, Hope's current PGA and current surcharge rates proposed, the average monthly bill impact for Consumers' customers as a result of the Transaction will be as follows:

Type of Customer	(\$) Increase/(Decrease)	(%) Increase/(Decrease)
Residential	\$6.53	9.86%
Commercial	\$10.85	5.10%

Hope proposes that the Consumers customers will eventually pay the Hope base rates plus PGA rates and Legacy Surcharge as those rates change from time to time. If the Consumers customers were immediately charged the current Hope base rates, the current Hope PGA rate, and the current Legacy Surcharge rate, the average monthly bill impact for Consumers' customers as a result of the transaction would be as follows:

Type of Customer	(\$) Increase/(Decrease)	(%) Increase/(Decrease)
Residential	\$11.70	17.65%
Commercial	\$13.24	6.22%

The Commission schedules this matter for evidentiary hearing to be held on August 27, 2024, at 9:30 a.m. in the Howard M. Cunningham Hearing Room, Public Service Commission Building, 201 Brooks Street, Charleston, West Virginia. Interested persons should be able to view the evidentiary hearing via an internet livestream. In lieu of an in-person or virtual public comment hearing, the Commission will receive public comments online and by mail or hand delivery to the Executive Secretary's Office. All written comments should state the case name and number and be addressed to Karen Buckley, Executive Secretary, P.O. Box 812, Charleston, West Virginia 25323. The Commission website, [www.psc.state.wv.us](http://www.psc.state.wv.us), contains links to "Case Information," "Submit a Comment," and "Commission Webcast."

The Joint Petition is on file with and available for public inspection at the Commission, 201 Brooks Street, Charleston, West Virginia, and is available online at the Commission website ([www.psc.state.wv.us](http://www.psc.state.wv.us)). Anyone desiring to intervene or protest should file a written request to intervene or protest no later than ten (10) days following the date of this notice, unless such period is otherwise modified by Commission Order. Failure to timely intervene or protest can affect your right to participate in or protest aspects of this proceeding. All

requests to intervene or protest should briefly state the reason for the request to intervene or protest and comply with the rules set forth in the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure. All requests to intervene and protests should state the case name and number and be addressed to the Executive Secretary at the address listed above.

In the absence of substantial protest received within ten (10) days of the issuance of this notice, the Commission may waive formal hearing and grant the Joint Petition based on the Commission's review of the evidence submitted with the Joint Petition.

HOPE GAS, INC.  
CONSUMERS GAS UTILITY COMPANY

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**IN THE CIRCUIT COURT  
OF ROANE COUNTY, WEST  
VIRGINIA**

Civil Action No: 24-P-38

Judge: Anita Ashley

PHH Mortgage Corporation  
Petitioner,

v.  
Robin Horton, et al.  
Respondents.

**ORDER FOR SERVICE BY  
PUBLICATION**

Now comes the Petitioner, PHH Mortgage Corporation, by counsel, who states that the object of the above styled suit is for a Judicial Sale to Enforce Deed of Trust, Appoint Special Commissioner and Declaratory Judgment Quietening Title in Deed of Trust in regard to the subject real estate more commonly known as: 973 Clover Road Spencer, WV 25276.

It is ordered that the Respondent, Unknown Heirs of the Estate of Richard Earl Nasp and William S. Nash a/k/a Steven William Nash, do serve upon James P. Tomasik, Petitioner's attorney, whose address is Reisenfeld & Associates, LLC, 3962 Red Bank Road, Cincinnati, Ohio 45227, and file with the Court an answer or other defense to the First Amended Petition filed in this action within 30 days of the second date of publication of this notice, otherwise judgment by default may be taken against you at any time thereafter.

A copy of said First Amended Petition can be obtained from the undersigned clerk at his/her office.

Entered by the Clerk of said Court on July 8, 2024.

Andrea Stockner  
Circuit Court Clerk

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**NOTICE OF SALE**

In accordance with the storage space rental agreement(s) by and between Hardman's Mini Storage and Jeffery Walters, Units 23A & 18F, Jean Reynolds, Unit 3E, Anna Matthewson, Unit 9G, Michael Blake, Unit 3D the contents of these storage unit(s) will be sold at a public sale to the highest bidder commencing at 4:00 p.m., Friday, June 26, 2024, with the viewing of the unit(s) starting five minutes prior to bidding of each unit. The sale of the above described property will be made without warranty. Hardman's reserves the right (1) to bid at the sale, (2) to reject bids at the public sale, (3) to continue such sale to any other time and place by announcement of such continuance at the time and place set forth herein. Auction will take place next to Save A Lot, 109 Pike Street, Spencer, WV. Fred C Hardman, Counsel for Spencer Mini Storage  
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**PUBLIC SERVICE  
COMMISSION OF WEST  
VIRGINIA  
CHARLESTON**

CASE NO. 24-0498-SWF-CN  
WASTE MANAGEMENT OF WEST  
VIRGINIA, INC.,

a corporation, Charleston, Kanawha County.

Application for a certificate of need to operate pursuant to W Code § 24-2-1c(b) in Kanawha County.

**NOTICE**

On May 31, 2024, the Applicant, Waste Management of West Virginia, Inc., filed an application for a certificate of convenience and necessity to operate a transfer station in Kanawha County.

Rates are proposed as follows:  
Municipal Solid Waste: \$37.44 per ton, plus applicable Landfill charges and applicable taxes, fees, and as-

# A fine job

It is construction season. The building we live in is 40 years old, and it was recently discovered that water was finding its way behind the brick. This requires some very loud repairs that are not expected to be finished until fall.

Usually, I am just finding my way to the coffeepot around 8:30. But now there are men standing on scaffolds, jackhammering bricks at 8 a.m., right outside my window. If I open the drapes, I can see their boots.

There is no one to blame. The men doing the work (and they all seem to be men) are very considerate. They are just loud—very loud—and they work from Monday through Friday.

Probably because of this construction, I'm noticing it more in my neighborhood. There is a house nearby whose steps have looked terrible for a long time. The residents were using a side door to get in. But an energetic man with a cigarette permanently positioned on his lower lip is now fixing those steps in record time. Under the crumbling concrete, he told me, were bricks much older than the house itself.

"How old?" I asked. He had no idea. But they had been scavenged from a building long gone before the house was built in 1850. I thought that was remarkable.

"I hope you find some gold coins buried in there!" I told him. He did not seem hopeful. Another set of stairs was being fixed by the city crew and, while they were not working as quickly as the gentleman with the cigarette, they were doing a fine job.

"We're keeping all the original stone," a fellow, who was acting like the foreman, said. "So we have to replace the whole foundation beneath it."

These steps were also well over 100 years old, and the original stone consisted of very large blocks of sandstone, which took at least two men to lift.

"That's a complicated job!" I told them. "It is. That's why they don't let Brad come out here and do it himself!" the foreman said. Brad



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(I have to assume it was Brad) ducked his head.

"Do you deserve this, Brad?" I asked. "Oh, he does!" the foreman answered before Brad had a chance to. Brad looked as if he was used to this.

I walked down the same street yesterday. The steps in front of the 1850s house were almost finished. It was threatening rain, and the man with the cigarette was working to get the last of the cement work done.

"Great job!" I hollered. He looked at the sky. "Gotta get it done quick!"

The city guys had also almost finished. "It looks terrific!" I said.

The foreman was nowhere to be seen. There was just Brad (I assume it was Brad), looking rather pleased to be getting the credit.

"You used all the old stone?" I asked Brad.

"Yes. It will make it more..." Brad searched for the word, "historical!"

"Can I take your picture?" Brad looked embarrassed and asked another man holding a shovel (who was also not the foreman) if this was OK.

"Sure!" said the man with the shovel. So I took Brad's picture with the nearly finished stairs.

"Thank you!"

It's construction season. And, while it's easy to get annoyed by the noise and the detours and the mess, it's good for me to remember that all this work is being done by people who have jobs to do. And, by and large, I think they do a heck of a fine job. Especially Brad.

Till next time,  
Carrie

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before publication.  
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## NOTICE TO MON POWER CUSTOMERS WITH RIGHTS-OF-WAY ACROSS THEIR PROPERTY

Mon Power has contracted for Transmission Vegetation Maintenance of its electric transmission line rights-of-way located in Roane County. This work is necessary to ensure safe and reliable electric service to its customers. Prior to any work being performed, several attempts were made to personally contact each property owner affected. The following property owners were not able to be contacted:

- Roane County**  
Sharon Butler: Property is approximately 164 acres and is located off Cains Run Rd in the Reedy District (4) on Tax Map 2 and the Parcel number is 26.
- Oleta Carper Trust c/o Millard Carper: Property is approximately 44 acres and is located off Spring Creek Rd in the Spencer District (7) on Tax Map 17 and the Parcel number is 42.
- Good Hope Baptist Church: Property is approximately 10.64 acres and is located off Parkersburg Rd in the Reedy District (4) on Tax Map 5 and the Parcel number is 13.
- Larry D. Epling: Properties are approximately 149 and 45.72 acres respectively and are located off Parkersburg Rd in the Reedy District (4) on Tax Map 6 and 11 and the Parcel numbers are 18 and 17.
- Don Jarvis: Property is approximately 70 acres and is located off Bear Run Rd in the Reedy District (4) on Tax Map 21 and the Parcel number is 5.
- Zacchaeus or Roberta Whiting: Property is approximately 0.14 acres and is located off US Route 33 in the Spencer District (7) on Tax Map 23 and the Parcel number is 87.

Work on these properties will be performed by qualified Vegetation Management contractors, on or after two weeks from the date of this publication. Work may include, but is not limited to, the removal or control, (mechanical or through the use of EPA registered herbicides) of trees and brush within the transmission corridor, side trimming of trees along the corridor, and removal of selected trees outside the corridor that pose an immediate threat to Mon Power facilities.

For additional information concerning work on the listed properties, please contact Kevin Harris, FirstEnergy Transmission Forestry Specialist, 4431 US Hwy Rt. 33E. Weston, WV at (304) 476-5486.

