

# Utility Support to Federal Government Employees Impacted by Shutdown

# ELECTRIC AND NATURAL GAS UTILITIES

## **BGE**

Expanding awareness of programs that can help customers through temporary or extended financial hardship, including budget billing and flexible payment plans

#### Columbia Gas of Maryland

Call customer service line to find out eligibility for payment assistance, including payment arrangements and one-month credit delays

## Columbia Gas of Virginia

Call customer service line to find out eligibility for payment assistance, including payment arrangements and one-month credit delays

## **Dominion Energy**

Offering options for individuals in need of financial assistance, including extensions, payment assistance, and payment deferments

#### Manassas Electric

Offering arrangements based on individual circumstances

## **NOVEC**

Late fees will not be imposed, and electric disconnections will be deferred for the duration of the shutdown for eligible federal employees who are directly affected

#### Pepco

Offering energy assistance to those impacted by the government shutdown through the Low-Income Home Energy Assistance Program, Utility Discount Program, Greater Washington Urban League, and Electric Universal Service Program

#### Potomac Edison

Arrangements based on individual circumstances and referring customers to other organizations that may be able to assist them

#### Southern Maryland Electric Cooperative (SMECO)

Discussing payment plans with individual customers based on their specific circumstances and referring customers to other organizations that may be able to assist them

#### Washington Gas

Offering flexible payment arrangements for government employees directly impacted through the Washington Gas Budget Plan, payment deferments, and Washington Area Fuel Fund

## WATER UTILITIES

#### Alex Renew

Waiving late fees and can set a payment plan for those experiencing difficulty

#### Arlington County Water & Utilities

Offering the opportunity to set up payment arrangements without accrual of late fees

#### Bowie Water and Sewer Waiving late fees

<u>Charles County</u> Lowering first payment deposit from \$50 to \$25 and can push payment to next bill

DC Water Offering extended payment plans via customer support number

# Fairfax Water

Offering payment plan for those on furlough

#### Frederick County

Working on a case-by-case basis if customers call in needing assistance

#### Leesburg

One-time penalty waiver with 24-month on-time payment history and payment arrangements

#### Loudoun Water

Waiving late fees on a case-by-case basis upon financial hardship, offering promises to pay and flexible payment plans that meet the individual customer's financial needs

Manassas Working on a case-by-case basis if customers call in needing assistance

<u>Prince William County Service Authority</u> Working case-by-case, including the TAP program and Helping Hand Program

#### Rockville

Offering late bill payment without penalties, if customers call or email per link

#### Virginia American Water

Will work out payment plan with customers who call before their bills come due

#### Vienna

January 31 payment extended until after the federal government reopens, late fees waived

## WSSC

Waiving late fees; suspending shutoffs; and will work one-on-one with impacted customers