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## CEEPC Chair Discusses Benefits of District Energy

Arlington County Board Member Jay Fisette, who is also Chairman of COG's Climate, Energy, and Environment Policy Committee, and COG Environmental Planner Jeff King discussed the benefits of 'district energy' on News Channel 8 after the June 2011 COG Board of Directors meeting. Fisette delivered a progress report on the region's climate and energy action plan at the meeting. District energy was one of the strategies CEEPC has examined to reduce energy costs and limit greenhouse gas emissions.



## Chesapeake Bay Journal Features COG Committee, Staff

*The Chesapeake Bay Journal*, a monthly publication aimed at informing the public about issues and events that affect the Chesapeake Bay, focused a recent article on a special meeting of the COG Chesapeake Bay and Water Resources Policy Committee held on June 16 with Jeff Corbin, Special Advisor to the EPA Administrator for Chesapeake Bay and Anacostia Restoration. The article covers some local officials' worries that TMDL actions are too expensive and others who believe that cleanup will mean more jobs and improved health of local waterways. The article is posted on the home page of COG web site.



## Campaign Targeting Illegal Fireworks During July 4th Holiday

Prior to the July 4th holiday weekend, fire officials from metropolitan Washington conducted a fireworks safety news conference and safety demonstration at the Montgomery County Public Safety Training Academy on June 23. They also announced the *You Light It...We'll Write It!* regional campaign, which will target individuals who use illegal fireworks. Fire marshals and law enforcement officials will be working together in Maryland, Virginia and the District of Columbia to uphold these laws. The conference and the campaign were covered by NBC 4, WAMU, the *Washington Examiner*, and several "Patch" web sites.

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