A Message for District of Columbia Customers **CLEAN AND AFFORDABLE ENERGY ACT OF 2008**

Effective October 1, 2008, as part of the Clean and Affordable Energy Act of 2008, charges collected from customers by Washington Gas for the D.C. Natural Gas Trust Fund are eliminated. Two new Trust Funds have been established by D.C. Council with approval of the Mayor: 1) the **Sustainable Energy Trust Fund** (SETF); and 2) the **Energy Assistance Trust Fund** (EATF). The new law requires a surcharge on sales of natural gas to all District of Columbia customers, other than those participating in the Residential Essential Service energy assistance program.

1) For SETF funding, customers' natural gas usage must be assessed at the following rates:

- \$.011 per therm in fiscal year 2009
- \$.012 per therm for fiscal year 2010
- \$.014 per therm for fiscal year 2011, and each year thereafter

- **2)** For EATF funding, customers' natural gas usage must be assessed at the following rate:
 - \$.006 per therm

For both funds, the average residential heating customer will pay approximately:

- \$9.25 in fiscal year 2009
- \$10.04 in fiscal 2010
- \$11.64 in fiscal year 2011, and each year thereafter

The purpose of the new charges is to provide funding for various energy programs in the District of Columbia, as defined by the Energy Act of 2008. For more information, please visit the Web site of the D.C. Department of the Environment at ddoe.dc.gov or call the D.C. Energy Office at 202-673-6750.



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