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Ms. Agnes Yates, Chairperson  
Public Service Commission of the District of Columbia  
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Ms. Yates:

At our regularly scheduled meeting on June 14, 2007 with a quorum present, our Commission voted unanimously to request the District of Columbia Public Space Commission requires utility companies to coordinate their infrastructure upgrades and repairs with the pending \$30 million H Street NE Streetscape Improvement project.

The H Street NE corridor between Union Station and Benning Road / Maryland Avenue starburst interchange is scheduled for a comprehensive streetscape improvement over the next three years starting in October 2007. The improvements will include a completely new and redesigned street, new sidewalks, new lighting and installation of streetcar tracks. Proper coordination between utility companies will reduce the need to have the streets cut multiple times as PEPCO, Washington Gas, District of Columbia Water and Sewer Authority, Comcast and Verizon react to the expanding residential and commercial demands after the corridor has been renovated.

The utility companies have made rate filings that will ultimately increase rates for commercial and residential use at over 50% to the customer. The rate filings indicate that there will be funds available for investment in upgrading and replacing old distribution system and equipment throughout the city. We would encourage your office to use the resources from the investment account to coordinate a comprehensive utility upgrade plan in conjunction with the DC Department of Transportation H Street NE Streetscape Improvement project.

In close, we need to measure twice and cut once on the H Street NE corridor. Synchronizing the efforts of the utility service companies into a single integrated approach will ensure the city's investment to improve H Street NE will not be undone by a series of uncoordinated utility infrastructure improvements.

On behalf of the Commission,

Joseph Fengler  
Chair, Advisory Neighborhood Commission 6A

Cc: District of Columbia Councilmembers Tommy Wells, Kwame Brown and David Catania  
Ms. Betty Kane, Public Service Commission  
Mr. Richard Morgan, Public Service Commission  
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