

# ANNOUNCEMENT

## Contractor and Supplier Forum II DC Power Line Undergrounding (DC PLUG)

Thursday, September 18, 2014 ■ 8:30 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. ■ One Judiciary Square Building  
441 4th St., N.W. Conference Room: Old City Council Chambers (Ground Floor) ■ Washington, D.C. 20001



### Background on DC PLUG

Through a collaborative process initiated by Mayor Vincent C. Gray, the Government of the District of Columbia approved a multi-year \$1 billion power line undergrounding project to help prevent prolonged electric service outages during significant weather events. DC Power Line Undergrounding (“DC PLUG”) represents a public-private partnership between the District Government and Pepco that will result in the strategic undergrounding of overhead feeders in Wards 3, 4, 5, 7 and 8.

### Recent Activity

The legislation that authorized the District’s power line undergrounding initiative became effective in May 2014, and it mandated a triennial project planning and review process. On June 17, 2014, the District Department of Transportation (DDOT) and Pepco filed a joint application for approval of the Triennial Plan for the DC PLUG initiative with the Public Service Commission. The Triennial Plan – which covers 2015-2017 – calls for DDOT to construct the necessary underground facilities and for Pepco to install the electric distribution system improvements. The plan delineates the engineering and construction strategy for the 21 feeders designated for undergrounding during the initial three-year period.

### Forum Details

This second forum will be executed jointly by DDOT and Pepco and is designed to both engage District businesses with pertinent project planning information on DC PLUG and foster team work and collaboration between businesses interested in DC PLUG contracting opportunities. The initial forum on March 25, 2014 was attended by more than 90 prospective contractors and suppliers that were

presented an overview of the multi-year power line undergrounding strategy directly by Pepco and DDOT engineers.

As follow up, on **September 18, 2014**, DDOT and Pepco will host a second forum at the One Judiciary Square Building to review the project proposal for the 21 feeders, as presented in the Triennial Plan, with contractors and suppliers. Businesses also will learn about:

- The technical approach for undergrounding the 21 priority feeders
- The procurement planning process, which addresses the bid schedule and timeline for the solicitation announcement and award
- Contractor registration processes for DDOT and Pepco

The Q&A segment at the end of the program will give businesses the opportunity to discuss planning, engineering, and construction issues with Pepco and DDOT. Due to space limitations, we request that you RSVP the names of no more than **two representatives** of your company by **September 8, 2014**. You may do so by following this link, [pepco.com/DCPLUGForum](http://pepco.com/DCPLUGForum).

If you have questions about registering for the forum, please contact Tony Ruffin, Pepco Sr. Strategic Planning Manager, at **202-872-3137** or at [truffin@pepco.com](mailto:truffin@pepco.com) or Ashley Blount, District of Columbia government, at **202-724-3692** or at [dc.plug@dc.gov](mailto:dc.plug@dc.gov). For any questions about the supplier diversity process at Pepco, please contact Charlie Partridge, Supplier Diversity Regional Manager, at **202-872-3171** or at [cmpartridge@pepco.com](mailto:cmpartridge@pepco.com). You may also contact Phyllis Love, Management and Program Analysis Officer, at [phyllis.love@dc.gov](mailto:phyllis.love@dc.gov).