
Petition of PECO Energy
Company for Approval of
Its Default Service
Program for the Period
from June 1, 2025
through May 31, 2029

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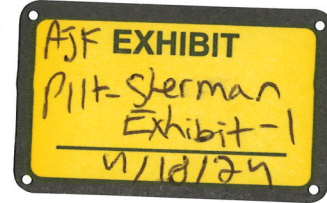
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Sherman Testimony

PA PUC Testimony regarding PECO DSP Application, April 18, 2025



Good afternoon,

My name is Howard Sherman. I live in Lansdowne, Pennsylvania and am a current PECO customer.

First, I want to thank the Pennsylvania PUC for giving me the opportunity to testify here today.

PECO's reported criteria for choosing energy supply sources are the lowest possible cost and lack of price volatility. These criteria have for years and up through the present time led to energy sources weighted heavily in favor of fossil fuels. In my opinion, these criteria are insufficient and outdated. No less important but missing in PECO's list of criteria are the safety and health of Pennsylvanians, as well as the urgent need to address our climate crisis. In addition to the many health-impairing pollutants caused by burning fossil fuels to produce energy, recent, widely-publicized research indicates that what is marketed as "natural gas" has been known to leak at any stage of its production, from wells and transportation pipelines to actual appliances in consumers' homes, thus leading to safety and health hazards.

PECO's deficient commitment to transitioning to renewable energy can be seen in an even more egregious practice—PECO aggressively markets "natural gas" to customers by offering generous rebates if they switch to "natural gas" appliances and heating systems. Each month, I receive an insert in my bill or an email offering a rebate if I install a gas appliance or furnace. Here are some examples (show examples). Nowhere in these advertisements is a rebate for an electric or geothermal alternative even mentioned.

In sum, it is evident that PECO's energy purchase policies disregard and propose to continue disregarding the adverse impacts of its energy products on the health and safety of its customers and other Pennsylvanians in its service area as well as on our worsening climate crisis.

Accordingly, I urge the Pennsylvania Public Utility Commission to require PECO to expand its purchase of Tier 1 alternative renewable energy to at least 30% in its new purchase agreement beginning on June 1, 2025.

In addition, I urge PECO to immediately discontinue the aggressive, preferential marketing of fossil fuel appliances and heating equipment to its customers and instead switch to preferentially marketing appliances and heating equipment which utilize renewable energy sources. Thank you.

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Examples of PECO Fossil Fuel Marketing attached below.


Get your \$600 rebate on a high-efficiency natural gas furnace*



\$600 rebate from PECO



Get your \$600 natural gas furnace upgrade rebate from PECO*



Ask your plumber or HVAC contractor for further details on how to get your rebate.

*For eligibility, visit peco.com/NaturalGasHomeRebates

Do your wallet and the environment a favor. Install a high-efficiency furnace in preparation for colder days ahead. These furnaces have up to a **99% efficiency rating.**

Ask your plumber or HVAC contractor for further details on how to get your rebate.

Get your rebate



Get up to \$1,000 back!



PECO offers rebates when you replace your storage tank hot water heater, clothes dryer, furnace, or boiler with ENERGY STAR qualified natural gas equipment.*

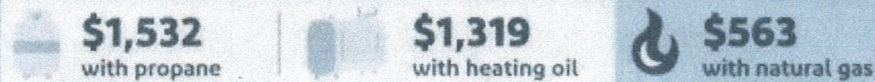
peco.com/NaturalGasHomeRebates

*Rebates are subject to change. See full terms and conditions at peco.com/rebates. Must apply within 90 days of purchase. Rebates are valid for PECO residential natural gas customers in Bucks, Chester, Delaware, Lancaster, and Montgomery counties. Valid through 12/31/2023. Rebates shown are valid for purchases on or after January 1, 2023. See full terms and conditions for the rebate amounts on units installed prior to January 1, 2023. The ENERGY STAR Natural Gas Combo Boiler and ENERGY STAR Natural Gas Dryer rebates are only available for units installed on or after January 1, 2023.



See how much you're saving with PECO Natural Gas

Compare the costs to warm your home to the same temperature**



**Source: EIA's 2009 Residential Consumption Survey in Pennsylvania based on average space heating consumption of 48 million BTU per household in PA. Derived from 50% consumption by end use of total average household consumption of 96 million BTU. Historical prices and usage do not guarantee future savings. www.eia.gov/consumption/residential/ U.S. Energy Information Administration Short-term Energy Outlook for heating oil price of \$3.81/gallon and propane price of \$2.92/gallon as of 03/27/2023 for Pennsylvania excluding taxes. PECO natural gas price of \$1.25/Ccf excluding customer charge based on PECO residential gas rate as of 04/01/2023. Historical prices do not guarantee future savings. <http://www.eia.gov/forecasts/steo>.