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Let the BUYING POWER of the District of Columbia Lower Your Energy Costs.

# 3 WAYS TO BUY YOUR ENERGY

#### 1. STAY ON UTILITY RATES

- No contract or commitment
- Not budgetable, prices change
- Major price swings in year
- Most expensive option over time

#### 2. BUY YOUR OWN ENERGY

- Need to know markets and when to buy
- Need to know suppliers and who is best
- Need to understand contract terms
- Little purchasing power as single entity

# 3. JOIN DISTRICT BUYING POWER

- Lower prices through bulk purchasing
- Professionally managed group
- Simple and hands-off solution
- Know your future costs
- Proven and tested program
- Green energy supply and REC sales

# 10 minutes can save your business 10%-30% on energy!

Over the past decade, energy choice and energy savings have been available for businesses, but questions remain. Who do I buy from? When do I buy? For how long do I lock in a contract? Is there a better deal? Most customers tell us that "I want a good deal, I don't want to have to think about it and I need to spend my time on running my business."

District Buying Power is your solution. Join the purchasing power of the District Government and the DC business community to get the best available pricing and contract terms. Never have to worry again about the energy markets and what deal to choose... District Buying Power will provide everything you need.

The District Government has partnered with Albireo Energy to create and operate District Buying Power. The program will be modeled on the long-term successful city endorsed programs, Boston Buying Power and Philly Buying Power, which have operated for 10+ years in those cities.

# STEP 1 Review the materials

carefully.

Find your current electric and/ or natural gas invoices for each

account.

Find your current and future energy

contracts

already

executed.

Call us or visit district buying power.com

You are now enrolled and no longer have to worry about energy decisions.

### **DISTRICT BUYING POWER FAQ**



#### IS THIS PROGRAM LEGITIMATE?

Please contact Lolita Perry at the District Department of Energy & Environment (DOEE) at lolita.perry@dc.gov and request confirmation. We also have provided access to the official DC press release for your reference. The DC government selected Albireo Energy to operate District Buying Power based on prior successful buying power programs operated in Philadelphia, Boston and with many private brands.



## WHAT IS AN ENERGY BUYING GROUP?

Any non-residential account is eligible to join the aggregation program by signing up at www.districtbuyingpower.com. Your account will wait for similar businesses to join the group and be combined for purchasing. Typically, over time, the aggregations will have hundreds of businesses included in each EnergyAuctions event.



#### **WILL I BE LEAVING PEPCO?**

No, PEPCO as a regulated utility will always be the one to service the poles, wires and meters. Deregulation allows customers to choose where they get their energy supply, but PEPCO will always be the delivery company and will receive compensation for those services. Using another supply option does not lower your response time or any priority status within PEPCO – you still call PEPCO with any service needs.



#### **HOW CAN DISTRICT BUYING POWER BE CHEAPER THAN PEPCO?**

PEPCO, like all other deregulated utilities, remains the provider of last resort and will supply your energy if you do not choose another option. As customers join or leave their supply service, PEPCO will mix long and short termed purchases to balance their system. The result of these purchases are then passed on to the customer as the "Price To Compare" (PTC). This PTC will change multiple times per year as new purchases are made or drop off. District Buying Power is able to use the energy futures market to find low trading dips and purchase long term contracts which lower customer prices.



# IS THIS GUARANTEED TO BE CHEAPER ALL THE TIME?

While Buying Power programs have a long standing track record of savings, they will not always produce savings under any condition. Energy markets are and will remain volatile, so any purchase or hedge in the market can at some point be above variable market conditions. What the Buying Power program can guarantee is that you are getting the best deal possible, with the best supplier and under the best terms.



## WHAT DO I NEED TO DO TO SIGN UP?

Simply visit us online or by phone and a representative will enroll you on the spot. You will be asked to have a copy of your current utility invoice(s) and any current and/or future supplier contracts. When that simple 10 minute process is completed, you will not need to ever take another energy call or worry about energy purchasing. You will now be with District Buying Power.

Being a member of District Buying Power allows you access to green energy, benchmarking compliance, budgeting, energy tracking.