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11115 Fawsett Road Potomac, MD 20854 Wednesday, April 10, 2013

Jerry Pasternak, Pepco Vice President for Maryland Affairs

Dear Mr. Pasternak:

The Montgomery County Civic Federation asks that you work with us and with area bicycling groups to initiate a trial pedestrian/bicycle path along PEPCO's right-of-way from Westlake Road in Bethesda to Piney Meetinghouse Road in Potomac. This right-of-way is very wide. It already has a gravel track which is occasionally used by vehicles to service cellular telephone towers located in the right-of-way. We believe it has great potential as both a safe, off-road bicycling commuter route and as a recreational path. Electric utility rights-of-way are already being used as commuter & recreational paths in a number of jurisdictions including paths in Dominion Power & Electric's right-of-way in Arlington and in Fairfax County.

PEPCO's willingness to consider this expanded use serving an additional public need would be an excellent boost for your public relations. We hope you will consider meeting with us to discuss this request further.

Sincerely,

/s/

Peggy Dennis Immediate Past President Montgomery County Civic Federation 301-983-9738