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MEDIA ADVISORY

Utility Emergency Services Fund Announces Press Conference for City Council Grant of \$1 Million Dollars to Assist Low-Income Customers of PGW

The Utility Emergency Services Fund (UESF) will host a press conference to announce the availability of grants for Philadelphia households in need of assistance. The press conference will be held on Wednesday, July 25, 2007 at 10:00am at the Friends Neighborhood Guild. Friends Neighborhood Guild, an Intake Site for UESF grants, is located at 701 North 8th Street (cross of 8th and Fairmount Sts.).

Councilwoman Marian B. Tasco, UESF Executive Director John Rowe and PGW Director of Corporate Communications Doug Oliver will announce a program to assist low-income households in Philadelphia in danger of termination of services or already shut off with the Philadelphia Gas Works. The \$1 million dollars of City Council support will help Philadelphia residents with up to \$1,000 of assistance. (\$500 of UESF assistance and \$500 of matching PGW utility credits) Over 2,500 families will be assisted in reaching a zero balance with their PGW bills.

All interested press should contact Timothy Lau, UESF Development Director, at 215-972-5170 for background information on the event and organization or Crystal Jacobs, media contact for Councilwoman Marian Tasco at 215-686-3454.

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