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UNITED STATES

SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

FORM 8-K

CURRENT REPORT

Pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d)

of The Securities Exchange Act of 1934

Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported): April 30, 2014

Exact Name of Registrant as specified in its
Charter,

State or Other	,		
State of Other	Address of Principal Executive Offices, Zip Code		IRS Employer
Jurisdiction of	and	Commission	1 0
			Identification
Incorporation	Telephone Number (Including Area Code)	File Number	No.
Delaware	PEPCO HOLDINGS, INC.	001-31403	52-2297449

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Not Applicable (Former name or former address, if changed since last report.)

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Item 8.01 Other Events

On April 30, 2014, Pepco Holdings, Inc. (the Company or PHI) and Exelon Corporation (Exelon) issued a joint press release, a copy of which is filed as Exhibit 99.1 to this Current Report on Form 8-K and incorporated herein by reference.

Cautionary Statements Regarding Forward-Looking Information

Except for the historical information contained herein, certain of the matters discussed in this communication constitute forward-looking statements within the meaning of the Securities Act of 1933 and the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, both as amended by the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995. Words such as may, might, will, should, could, anticipate, estimate, expect, predict, project, future, potential, intend, continue or the negative of such terms or other variations thereof and believe, target, forecast, goal, objective, and terms of similar substance used in connection with any discussion of future plans, actions, or events identify forward-looking statements. These forward-looking statements include, but are not limited to, statements regarding benefits of the proposed merger, integration plans and expected synergies, the expected timing of completion of the transaction, anticipated future financial and operating performance and results, including estimates for growth. These statements are based on the current expectations of management of PHI and its utility subsidiaries. There are a number of risks and uncertainties that could cause actual results to differ materially from the forward-looking statements included in this communication. For example, (1) PHI may be unable to obtain shareholder approval required for the merger; (2) PHI or Exelon may be unable to obtain regulatory approvals required for the merger, or required regulatory approvals may delay the merger or cause the companies to abandon the merger; (3) conditions to the closing of the merger may not be satisfied; (4) an unsolicited offer of another company to acquire assets or capital stock of PHI could interfere with the merger; (5) problems may arise in successfully integrating the businesses of the companies, which may result in the combined company not operating as effectively and efficiently as expected; (6) the combined company may be unable to achieve cost-cutting synergies or it may take longer than expected to achieve those synergies; (7) the merger may involve unexpected costs, unexpected liabilities or unexpected delays, or the effects of purchase accounting may be different from the companies expectations; (8) the credit ratings of the combined company or its subsidiaries may be different from what the companies expect; (9) the businesses of PHI and its utility subsidiaries may suffer as a result of uncertainty surrounding the merger; (10) PHI and its utility subsidiaries may not realize the values expected to be obtained for properties expected or required to be sold; (11) the industry may be subject to future regulatory or legislative actions that could adversely affect PHI and its utility subsidiaries; and (12) PHI and its utility subsidiaries may be adversely affected by other economic, business, and/or competitive factors. Other unknown or unpredictable factors could also have material adverse effects on future results, performance or achievements of the combined company. Therefore, forward-looking statements are not guarantees or assurances of future performance, and actual results could differ materially from those indicated by the forward-looking statements. Discussions of some of these other important factors and assumptions are contained in PHI s filings with the Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC), and available at the SEC s website at www.sec.gov, including PHI s 2013 Annual Report on Form 10-K in (a) ITEM 1A. Risk Factors, (b) ITEM 7. Management s Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations and (c) ITEM 8. Financial Statements and Supplementary Data. These risks as well as other risks associated with the proposed merger will be more fully discussed in the proxy statement that PHI intends to file with the SEC and mail to its stockholders in connection with the proposed merger. In light of these risks, uncertainties, assumptions and factors, the forward-looking events discussed in this communication may not occur. Readers are cautioned not to place undue reliance on these forward-looking statements, which speak only as of the date of this communication. PHI does not undertake any obligation to publicly release any revision to its forward-looking statements to reflect events or circumstances after the date of this communication. New factors emerge from time to time, and it is not possible for PHI to predict all such factors. Furthermore, it may not be possible to assess the impact of any such factor on PHI s or its utility subsidiaries businesses (either individually or collectively) or the extent to which any factor, or combination of factors, may cause results to differ materially from those contained in any forward-looking statement. Any specific factors that may be provided should not be construed as exhaustive.

Additional Information and Where to Find It

This communication does not constitute a solicitation of any vote or approval. PHI intends to file with the SEC and mail to its stockholders a proxy statement in connection with the proposed merger transaction. PHI URGES INVESTORS AND SECURITY HOLDERS TO READ THE PROXY STATEMENT AND ANY OTHER RELEVANT DOCUMENTS WHEN THEY BECOME AVAILABLE, BECAUSE THEY WILL CONTAIN IMPORTANT INFORMATION about Exelon, PHI and the proposed merger. Investors and security holders will be able to obtain these materials (when they are available) and other documents filed with the SEC free of charge at the SEC s website, www.sec.gov. In addition, a copy of PHI s proxy statement (when it becomes available) may be obtained free of charge from Pepco Holdings, Inc., Corporate Secretary, 701 Ninth Street, N.W., Room 1300, Washington, D.C. 20068. Investors and security holders may also read and copy any reports, statements and other information filed by PHI with the SEC, at the SEC public reference room at 100 F Street, N.E., Washington, D.C. 20549. Please call the SEC at 1-800-SEC-0330 or visit the SEC s website for further information on its public reference room.

Participants in the Merger Solicitation

Exelon, PHI, and their respective directors, executive officers and certain other members of management and employees may be deemed to be participants in the solicitation of proxies in respect of the proposed transaction. Information regarding Exelon s directors and executive officers is available in its proxy statement filed with the SEC on April 2, 2014 in connection with its 2014 annual meeting of stockholders, and information regarding PHI s directors and executive officers is available in its proxy statement filed with the SEC on March 25, 2014 in connection with its 2014 annual meeting of stockholders. Other information regarding the participants in the proxy solicitation and a description of their direct and indirect interests, by security holdings or otherwise, will be contained in the proxy statement and other relevant materials to be filed with the SEC when they become available.

Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits.

(d) Exhibits

Exhibit No. Description of Exhibit

99 Joint Press Release dated April 30, 2014

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SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

PEPCO HOLDINGS, INC. (Registrant)

Date: April 30, 2014 /s/ JOSEPH M. RIGBY
Name: Joseph M. Rigby

Title: Chairman of the Board, President and

Chief

Executive Officer

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