

Information on BG&E and Alternate Energy Suppliers
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BGE will never go door to door asking to see a copy of your utility bill, offer you a better rate, or offer to switch you from "dirty" energy to "clean" energy. The groups that do this and that solicit in our neighborhood are most likely working for energy suppliers as part of the deregulated energy supply market. There is typically no harm in switching your energy supplier from BGE, however, do not do so with a door-to-door solicitor and be incredibly cautious with whom you share your utility bill as there is no guarantee that information is protected when shown to a stranger at your door.

BGE will always continue to deliver the electricity and gas to your home, but you can choose another company to generate the electricity, if other companies are making an offer in your area. The Maryland Attorney General's Office has information on deregulation and choosing an energy supplier and the Maryland Public Service Commission ("PSC") has a tool allowing ratepayers to compare their service offer with other suppliers operating in Maryland deregulated market.

- Information: <http://www.marylandattorneygeneral.gov/Pages/CPD/energy.aspx>
- Comparison Tool: <https://www.psc.state.md.us/electricchoice/shop-and-compare>

Here's some information from the Office of People's Council for Utility Bill Assistance for Furloughed and Federal Employees.

<http://opc.maryland.gov/Portals/0/Alerts/2019%20Alerts/Alert%20-%20Utility%20Payment%20Assistance%20for%20Furloughed%20Federal%20Workers.pdf>

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