

The decision below is signed as a decision of the court.

Signed: January 27, 2009.



*S. Martin Teel, Jr.*  
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United States Bankruptcy Judge

UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT  
FOR THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

In re )  
 )  
MICHAEL JOSEPH SINDRAM, ) Case No. 08-00559  
 ) (Chapter 7)  
Debtor. )  
 ) Not for Publication in  
 ) West's Bankruptcy Reporter

MEMORANDUM DECISION RE RENEWED  
MOTION FOR APPROPRIATE RELIEF AND SANCTIONS AGAINST PEPCO

This addresses the Renewed Motion for Appropriate Relief and Sanctions Against PEPCO (Docket Entry ("DE") No. 58). Stripped of irrelevant allegations, the motion's only relevant allegation is that on October 31, 2008, after receiving notice of this bankruptcy case, the Potomac Electric Power Company ("PEPCO") delivered to the debtor a demand for payment in violation of 11 U.S.C. § 362(a). By an order entered on January 7, 2009 (DE No. 73), I directed the debtor to file a supplement to the motion that (1) identifies the debt allegedly sought to be collected by PEPCO and the date on which that debt was incurred, and (2) attaches a copy of the demand if the demand was made in writing. The debtor has now supplemented his motion (DE No. 81), attaching

the demands he received. All of these are bills for electric service for periods that commenced on or after September 29, 2008. The debtor commenced his case as a chapter 13 case on August 19, 2008, and converted his case to one under chapter 7 on September 22, 2008. Accordingly, all of the bills are for services rendered postpetition and post-conversion. The automatic stay of 11 U.S.C. § 362(a) does not bar acts, as here, to collect debts that arose after the commencement of the case. Accordingly, the debtor's motion must be denied. An order follows.

[Signed and dated above.]

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