

**Desiree Rogers Remarks**  
**Workforce Initiative Breakfast**  
**November 28, 2006**

- Thank you, \_\_\_\_\_.
- It's a pleasure to be here and it's been a pleasure for Peoples Energy to be a part of this worthwhile program.
- Our involvement with Opportunity Chicago began long before we hired one of its graduates, Brittany Gill, who you will hear from in a moment.
- Peoples Energy has been proud to work closely with Opportunity Chicago and the CHA to help develop its in-depth educational component, particularly Customer Service.
- This curriculum helped train prospective employees to be prepared for jobs in the private sector. This program, and individuals like Brittany Gill, has proven its worth.
- We know that when we have an application from a CHA resident who has gone through workforce development training, that resident has the job and life skills necessary to be an asset to our company.
- Brittany Gill is a perfect example of the kind of employee that any company would want to attract.
- If I have any message today besides my congratulations to all of you, it is to say to Chicago employers: When you're looking for well-trained, highly motivated employees, look to the CHA and Opportunity Chicago.
- Thank you.