

on customers' rates," Goodwin said. HSW does not anticipate the need for any rate relief until the 1986–1987 heating season, according to Goodwin. "PP&L has held the line on steam rates since March 1982," Goodwin said. "Because of the availability of the low cost steam supply from the cogeneration facility, it looks like HSW will be able to hold the rate increase to a minimum. Moreover," Goodwin added, "between our positive marketing plans for steam and the low cost steam made possible by cogeneration, we are confident that, over time, steam rates will be lower than the rates that PP&L would have to charge if it continued to own and operate the system."

Rochester District Heating Cooperative Starts Business

Inaugural cermonies were held January 30, 1986 for the Rochester District Heating Steam Cooperative, the first cooperative in New York State. This capped off more than a years effort in closing the \$9 million in industrial revenue bond financing and purchasing of Station 8 and the reconfigured district heating system from Rochester Gas and Electric Company.

The coop is currently purchasing steam from RG&E until the installation of leased package boilers. A contractor has been selected for construction of a permant boiler plant on Lawn St. The headquarters for the staff will be 50 Chestnut Plaza, eleventh floor, immediately adjacent to the plant.

Cogeneration for New Industrial Office Park in Pittsburgh

A group of Pittsburgh investors purchased the Neville Island shipbuilding complex from the Dravo Corporation and plan to develop a 67 acre industrial and office park. A major part of the planned development is a cogeneration facility to produce both steam and electricity. The developers feel that the availability of steam will draw energy intensive businesses to the park such as paper, chemicals and food processing as well as light industrial and distribution companies.

Update on St. Paul

Neighborhood Residential Service

DHDC has completed an extension of the hot water district heating system to the Mount Airy public housing complex. Within four months, DHDC connected 298 townhomes to the system. The Public Housing Agency's contractor is now completing the building conversions and the majority of the homes are receiving our heat. They are the first public housing townhomes in the country hooked up to a modern hot water district heating system.

