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PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

June 14, 2019

In the Matter of the Application of Great Bay *
Solar I, LLC for a Certificate of Public * Case No. 9380
Convenience and Necessity to Construct a *
150.0 MW Solar Photovoltaic Generating *
Facility in Somerset County, Maryland *

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NOTICE OF OPPORTUNITY TO FILE PUBLIC COMMENTS

By letter dated October 5, 2018, Great Bay Solar I, LLC and Great Bay Solar II, LLC (collectively, Great Bay Solar”) requested the Maryland Public Service Commission extend and modify the construction deadlines contained in the Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity (“CPCN”) granted to Great Bay Solar by Commission Order 87699 (“Request”). On November 5, 2018, the Commission issued a temporary extension of the construction deadline until the Commission rendered its final decision on the Request. On March 27, 2019, after considering the Request at its March 27, 2019 Administrative Meeting, the Commission renewed the temporary extension of the construction deadline to allow action to be taken by Somerset County for on the site plans for Phase II of the project (“Phase II project”) and allow the Power Plant Research Program (“PPRP”), Department of Natural Resources sufficient time to evaluate the Phase II project in conjunction with reviewing State agencies.

On June 10, 2019, Great Bay Solar filed a letter stating that its site plan had been approved by Somerset County on June 6, 2019. Further, Great Bay Solar noted that PPRP had indicated in a March 20, 2019 letter submitted to the Commission that PPRP would be able to evaluate the Phase II project and submit comments/updated licensing conditions within 60 days after receiving the County-approved site plans from Great Bay Solar. Great Bay Solar asked that the 60-day period for PPRP’s submission of conditions start on June 10, 2019 (to which PPRP is agreeable) and that the Commission consider the Request at its August 7, 2019 Administrative Meeting. PPRP has indicated that it will file its comments/updated conditions related to the Phase II project by July 29, 2019.

The public is invited to submit written comments on the Request either electronically, by first-class mail, or by hand-delivery on or before Friday, August 2, 2019. Comments sent electronically must be submitted through the Commission’s Public Comment system, which can be accessed through the Commission’s website at www.psc.state.md.us. Instructions for logging into the Public Comment system are located under the “Tools” section of the Commission’s

website under the “Make a Public Comment” tab, which can be accessed through the following link: <https://www.psc.state.md.us/make-a-public-comment/>.¹ All comments must include a reference to Case No. 9380. If submitted by first-class mail or hand-delivery, comments must be addressed to Terry J. Romine, Executive Secretary, Maryland Public Service Commission, William Donald Schaefer Tower, 6 St. Paul Street, 16th Floor, Baltimore, Maryland 21202. Only the originally signed comment is required. No public comments will be accepted after Friday, August 2, 2019.

The Commission will consider the Request at its August 7, 2019 Administrative Meeting. The final agenda for the Meeting will be published on the Commission’s website on August 1, 2019.² The Administrative Meeting will be held in the Frank O. Heintz Hearing Room, 16th Floor, William Donald Schaefer Tower, 6 St. Paul Street, Baltimore, Maryland 21202 and begins at 10:00 a.m. There is no specific time that any agenda item will be called; therefore, persons who wish to attend the Administrative Meeting for a specific item should plan to be in the hearing room prior to the start of the Administrative Meeting.³

Great Bay is hereby directed to publish in each of the four successive weeks prior to the August 7, 2019 Administrative meeting by advertisement in a newspaper of general circulation in Somerset County a notice of the opportunity to submit public comments, which includes the date by which the comments must be filed, the filing instructions for submission of electronic or hard copy comments, and the date, time, and location of the Administrative Hearing at which the Request will be heard. Great Bay also is directed to post on at least two routinely used social media platforms, such as Facebook or Twitter, and use any other means of communications at its disposal to further notify Somerset County residents of the date by which the comments must be filed, the filing instructions for submission of electronic or hard copy comments, and the date, time, and location of the Administrative Hearing at which the Request will be heard.⁴

By Direction of the Commission,

/s/ Terry J. Romine

Terry J. Romine
Executive Secretary

cc: Service List for Case No. 9380

¹ Commenters utilizing the Public Comment system are required to complete a one-time registration.

² The link to access the final agenda is as follows:
https://webapp.psc.state.md.us/newIntranet/psc/proceedings_new.cfm.

³ The Commission also live streams its Administrative Meetings through its YouTube channel Link:
<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCMeaC-x27Ioq71Bqwr858Hw>.

⁴ Any party to the matter is also invited to post the Notice of Public Comment Hearing on any website or social media platform that it may have at its disposal to publicize the times, dates and locations of the evening hearing for public comment and the date by which written comments may be filed in the proceeding.