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PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

December 27, 2017

In the Matter of the Application of The	*	
Potomac Edison Company for a Certificate	*	
of Public Convenience and Necessity to	*	Case No. 9470
Modify the Ringgold-Catoctin	*	
Transmission Line in Frederick and	*	
Washington Counties, Maryland	*	
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Dear Ms. Leone:

The Public Service Commission (“Commission”) has reviewed the Application for Grant or Waiver of a Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity (“CPCN”) to Modify the Ringgold-Catoctin Transmission Line in Frederick and Washington Counties, Maryland filed on December 22, 2017 by The Potomac Edison Company (“PE” or “Company”) (“Application”). The Company is proposing to rebuild an existing single-circuit 138 kV transmission line to a 230 kV transmission line that traverses a 9.8-mile stretch between the Ringgold and Cactoctin Substations. In the alternative, because the project involves an existing overhead transmission line, the Company requests that the “Commission waive the requirement to obtain a CPCN pursuant to PUC Section 7-207(b)(3)(ii), of the Maryland Code.”¹ According to the Application, PE’s rebuild will mitigate thermal reliability violations of both FirstEnergy and PJM planning criteria that would be at risk of occurring beginning in 2020.

After review of the Application, the Commission hereby docket the matter as Case No.

¹ See Maillog 218316, Application at 1.

9470, sets the matter for hearing, and delegates the matter to the Public Utility Law Judge Division to conduct the proceedings.

By Direction of the Commission,

/s/ David J. Collins

David J. Collins
Executive Secretary

cc: Terry J. Romine, Chief Public Utility Law Judge