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**PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION**

April 17, 2018

In the Matter of the Petition of the Electric	*	
Vehicle Work Group for Implementation of a	*	Case No. 9478
Statewide Electric Vehicle Portfolio	*	
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**NOTICE OF INITIAL HEARING**

On February 6, 2018, the Maryland Public Service Commission (“Commission”) issued a Notice of Initiating a Proceeding and Request for Comments in the above-captioned proceeding. Specifically, the Commission requested comments from interested parties on the Public Conference 44 Electric Vehicle Work Group Leader’s Petition for Implementation of a Statewide Electric Vehicle Portfolio<sup>1</sup> and the Maryland Office of People’s Counsel Letter recommending and evidentiary process for the Commission to investigate and consider this matter.<sup>2</sup> The Commission has received numerous comments from a variety of stakeholders and interested persons in this proceeding and appreciates the input from all parties. To that end, after consideration of all filed comments, the Commission has determined that an “initial” legislative-style hearing would be beneficial for all parties in order to develop further dialogue between the Commission and interested persons on the following topics:

- Current state of electric vehicles in Maryland including a discussion of types and numbers of vehicles on the road, and existing charging infrastructure;
- Potential growth of electric vehicles in Maryland over the next several years, including a discussion of funding sources available to foster growth;
- Potential benefits and costs of increasing Maryland’s capacity to seamlessly integrate more electric vehicles into residential, commercial and industrial settings;
- A discussion on how the Work Group Proposal fits into the current and potential growth of electric vehicles in Maryland, and how the proposal could help Maryland meet its Zero Emissions Vehicles goal;

<sup>1</sup> See ML 218613

<sup>2</sup> See ML 218730. On March 9, 2018, the Commission extended the comment filing deadline until March 27, 2018. See ML 219358.

- Proper role of utility investment in electric vehicle infrastructure while fostering competitive private-sector participation in Maryland's EV sector; and
- Other issues raised by the Work Group Leader's petition.

This initial legislative-style hearing will be held on May 17, 2018 and May 18, 2018 (if necessary) beginning at 10:00 a.m. in the Commission's 16<sup>th</sup> Floor Hearing Room, William Donald Schaefer Tower, 6 St. Paul Street, Baltimore, Maryland 21202. Parties wishing to verbally comment on any of the above discussion items should contact Commission Advisor, Morris Schreim at 410-767-3556 to coordinate scheduling and paneling of speakers on such topics for the hearing.

The Commission will determine a further procedural schedule for this docket, as necessary, subsequent to the May 17, 2018 hearing.

By Direction of the Commission,

*/s/ David J. Collins*

David J. Collins  
Executive Secretary