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**PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION**

March 29, 2023

Baltimore Gas and Electric Company’s \*  
Application for an Electric School Bus Pilot \* Case No. 9696  
Program \*  
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**NOTICE INITIATING AN EVIDENTIARY PROCEEDING**

On March 3, 2023, Baltimore Gas and Electric Company (“BGE”) filed a proposal for an Electric School Bus Pilot Program (“Application”) to provide electric school bus rebates and related rebates in support of the Climate Solutions Now Act of 2022 (“Act”).<sup>1</sup> BGE requested the Commission’s approval before June 2023 so that BGE may complete all implementation activities for an October 1, 2023 program launch and develop equitable deployment plans for all jurisdictions.

The Commission hereby issues a Notice Initiating an Evidentiary Proceeding regarding the Application. Case No. 9696 will also include all cost recovery issues stemming from the Application. On or before April 27, 2023, BGE shall file direct testimony that clearly outlines how the pilot proposed in the Application aligns with the Climate Solutions Now Act of 2022 and justify any deviations from the Act. The testimony shall include all of the pilot requirements that the Commission established in Order No. 88438 in Case No. 9453, including:

- a. Clear goal(s) established at the beginning of pilot program development;
- b. Evaluation metrics linked to those goal(s) that will inform whether the goal(s) are achieved;
- c. An evaluation plan developed before final pilot approval;
- d. An estimate of pilot program implementation costs;
- e. Public sharing of key pilot program data after pilot is complete, and at regular intervals during the pilot if appropriate;
- f. Public review of pilot results by the Commission;
- g. A clear transition plan for current customers; and
- h. A firm sunset date.

<sup>1</sup> Maillog No. 301632.

Petitions to intervene shall be filed by April 27, 2023. Furthermore, discovery commences immediately for BGE, the Commission's Technical Staff, and the Maryland Office of People's Counsel.

After receipt of the Direct Testimony and the deadline for interventions, the parties shall provide the Commission with a proposed procedural schedule, which shall include a schedule for receiving written comments from entities that are not parties to this proceeding.

By Direction of the Commission,

*/s/ Andrew S. Johnston*

Andrew S. Johnston  
Executive Secretary