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NOTICE OF COMMENT PERIOD AND HEARING DATE

To: Parties of Record in Case Nos. 9153, 9154, 9155, 9156, 9157 and 9362; Maryland Department of Housing and Community Development; Department of Human Resources
 Office of Home Energy Programs; and Interested Persons

The Public Service Commission ("Commission") hereby gives notice that it will conduct hearings beginning on October 25, 2017 (as detailed below) to consider the EmPOWER Maryland Semi-Annual Reports for the period from January 1, 2017 through June 30, 2017 ("Reports") filed by Baltimore Gas and Electric Company (Case No. 9154), The Potomac Edison Company (Case No. 9153), Southern Maryland Electric Cooperative, Inc. (Case No. 9157), Potomac Electric Power Company (Case No. 9155), Delmarva Power & Light Company (Case No. 9156), Washington Gas Light Company (Case No. 9362), and the Department of Housing and Community Development with respect to its Limited Income Energy Efficiency and Multifamily Energy Efficiency and Housing Affordability Programs.¹ In addition, the EmPOWER Maryland Energy Efficiency Act of 2008, as updated in 2017,² requires each electric company³ to submit its plan for achieving annual incremental gross energy savings as required under Public Utilities Article § 7-211(h), *Annotated Code of Maryland* ("Plan") with the Public Service Commission on or before September 1, 2017, and every three years thereafter.⁴ The Act further requires that the Commission take action on each filed Plan by December 31, 2017.

¹ An electronic copy of each Report is available in the electronic case jacket for the applicable docket at the Commission's website, <u>www.psc.state.md.us</u>.

² Chapter 14, 2017 Laws of Maryland.

³ The electric companies required to file a Plan are: Baltimore Gas and Electric Company; Delmarva Power & Light Company; Potomac Electric Power Company; Southern Maryland Electric Cooperative, Inc.; and The Potomac Edison Company (collectively, "EmPOWER Maryland Utilities").

⁴ A copy of the public version of each Plan, upon submission, will be available in the applicable electronic case jacket, which may be accessed through the Commission's website, <u>www.psc.state.md.us</u>.

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In anticipation of the 2017 Plans being filed as required, the Public Service Commission will conduct legislative hearings to consider both the 2017 Plans and review of the 1st half 2017 Semi-Annual Reports as follows:

- October 25, 2017 beginning at 1:00 p.m. or ½ hour after the Administrative Meeting, whichever is later;
- October 26, 2017 beginning at 10:00 a.m.;
- October 27, 2017 beginning at 10:00 a.m.;
- October 30, 2017 beginning at 10:00 a.m.;
- October 31, 2017 beginning at 10:00 a.m.; and
- November 1, 2017 beginning at 1:00 p.m. (if necessary).

Written comments on the both the 1st half 2017 Semi-Annual Reports and the 2017 Plans shall be filed by Tuesday, October 10, 2017. An original and 17 paper copies, and one electronic copy, of the comments shall be submitted to David J. Collins, Executive Secretary, Maryland Public Service Commission, William Donald Schaefer Tower, 6 St. Paul Street, 16th Floor, Baltimore, Maryland 21202. Five of the paper copies shall be three-hole punched. The public version of the electronic copy may be filed via the "e-file" system that is available at the Commission's website, <u>www.psc.state.md.us</u>.

By Direction of the Commission,

/s/ David J. Collins

David J. Collins Executive Secretary