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Chairman W. Kevin Hughes Announces His Departure from the Maryland PSC

(BALTIMORE, MD-June 19, 2018) – W. Kevin Hughes, Chairman of the Maryland Public Service Commission, announces that he will depart the Commission at the end of his term on June 30, 2018. Chairman Hughes was first appointed to the Commission in September 2011 by Governor Martin O'Malley. Governor O'Malley elevated him to Chairman in January 2013 to replace departing Chairman Douglas R.M. Nazarian.

"It has been a great honor to serve the citizens of Maryland as Chair of the PSC for the past five-and-a-half years," said Chairman Hughes. "I am proud of the many accomplishments the Commission has achieved during this time, including improved reliability for electric customers, significant investments in aging gas pipeline infrastructure, and nation-leading clean energy programs such as community solar and offshore wind. Likewise, I'm proud of the Commission's grid modernization efforts which will help ensure that Marylanders have access to affordable, reliable and environmentally sustainable energy for years to come. Most of all, I want to thank the dedicated and talented men and women of the Public Service Commission for the extraordinary work they do on behalf of the citizens of our State."

During his tenure as Chairman, Chairman Hughes served as a member of the National Association of Regulatory Utility Commissioners (NARUC) Board of Directors and the NARUC Committee on Electricity. He also served on the Executive Board of the Regional Greenhouse Gas Initiative (RGGI).

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About the Public Service Commission:

The Maryland Public Service Commission regulates electric and gas utilities, telephone companies (land lines), certain water and sewer companies, passenger motor vehicle carriers for hire (sedans, limousines, buses, Uber, Lyft), taxicab companies (in Baltimore City and County, Cumberland and Hagerstown) and bay pilot rates.

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