STATE OF MARYLAND

PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

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Notice Establishing an Electrification Study Workgroup

Senate Bill 528 ("The Climate Solutions Now Act"), which became law on April 9, 2022, requires the Commission to conduct a study, with input from the Maryland Building Codes Administration ("BCA"), of "the capacity of each [utility's] gas and electric distribution systems to successfully serve customers under a managed transition to a highly electrified building sector." The Climate Solutions Now Act ("the Act") requires a report of the Commission's findings by September 30, 2023.

A workgroup of interested parties is needed to meet the statutory requirements for the Commission to deliver a final report by September 30, 2022. Accordingly, the Commission hereby directs John Borkoski, Chief Engineer, to lead an Electrification Study Workgroup to assist the Commission in its study and final report. The initial focus of the workgroup will be to develop a detailed study plan and deliverable schedules. The workgroup will also provide input into Electrification Study assumptions and data templates necessary to ensure consistency in how the studies are performed and how the results will be presented by each public service company, among other things.

The following utilities shall participate in the Workgroup: Baltimore Gas and Electric Company; Columbia Gas of Maryland; Delmarva Power & Light Company; The Potomac Edison Company; Potomac Electric Power Company; Southern Maryland Electric Cooperative, Inc.; and Washington Gas Light Company. Additionally, participation from Choptank Electric Cooperative, Inc. is requested.

To facilitate initial meetings by mid-August, interested persons may ask to join the workgroup by contacting John Borkoski at john.borkoski@maryland.gov by August 1, 2022.

By Direction of the Commission,

/s/ Andrew S. Johnston

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Executive Secretary