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Maryland PSC Seeks Public Input on BGE Rate Increase Request

(BALTIMORE, MD-September 5, 2019) – The Maryland Public Service Commission will hold three public comment hearings on the request by Baltimore Gas and Electric Company to increase its electric distribution rates by \$81.8 million and its gas service rates by \$68.1 million, for a total of \$149.9 million. BGE, a subsidiary of Exelon Corporation, serves 1.9 million electric and gas customers in central Maryland.

According to BGE's application, the average combined electric and gas residential customer would see a total monthly bill increase of \$8.60, or about 5.9%. BGE proposes to increase the fixed monthly customer charge from \$7.90 to \$10 for residential electric customers and from \$14 to \$16 for residential gas customers.

Members of the public who wish to comment on the matter are welcome to attend one or all of the hearings, scheduled as follows:

Baltimore County - Thursday, September 19, 2019 at 6:30 p.m.

Conference Center at Sheppard Pratt (Auditorium) 6501 N. Charles Street in Towson

Baltimore City - Wednesday, October 16, 2019 at 6:00 p.m.

Maryland Public Service Commission (Frank O. Heintz Hearing Room, 16th Floor) William Donald Schaefer Tower, 6 St. Paul Street in Baltimore

Anne Arundel County – Thursday, October 17, 2019 at 6:30 p.m.

Hilton Garden Inn Annapolis (Baywood Meeting Room) 305 Harry S Truman Parkway in Annapolis

Filings in this case are available in the electronic docket file for Case No. <u>9610</u>, which may be viewed or downloaded at <u>www.psc.state.md.us.</u>

Written comments may be submitted by **October 21, 2019** using the Commission's public comments electronic filing system, instructions for which can be found at <u>https://www.psc.state.md.us/make-a-public-comment/</u>. Comments may be uploaded after completing a one-time registration.



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