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Maryland PSC to Hold Virtual Public Forum for BGE Transmission Line Project

(BALTIMORE, MD-May 7, 2021) – The Maryland Public Service Commission will hold a virtual informational and public comment hearing on a 20-mile transmission line project proposed by Baltimore Gas and Electric Company. The hearing, to be conducted by Public Utility Law Judge Kristin Case Lawrence, will be held **Thursday, May 20, 2021 at 6:30 p.m.**

According to its application, BGE's Five Forks to Windy Edge Transmission Line Reliability Project consists of replacing an existing double-circuit, 115-kilovolt (kV) overhead transmission line and its associated lattice structures with a new line mounted on weathering steel poles. The line is located in the northeastern section of BGE's electric distribution service territory and runs from BGE's Five Forks Substation, located in northern Harford County (near MD 136 and MD 24), to the vicinity of BGE's Windy Edge Substation, located in northern Baltimore County (near Harford Road and Northwind Road). According to BGE, the project is necessary to address ongoing reliability issues with the existing line segment.

The hearing will begin with a presentation by BGE, followed by brief statements from the Power Plant Research Program of the Maryland Department of Natural Resources; the Maryland Office of People's Counsel; and the Commission's Technical Staff.

Members of the public who wish to speak at the hearing can sign up by sending an email to psc.pulj@maryland.gov by 12 noon on Monday, May 17, 2021. The hearing will be held on the Webex platform and participants will receive an email with the link to join the hearing. The hearing will be simultaneously livestreamed on the Public Utility Law Judge's YouTube channel: <https://bit.ly/2X6wLiP>

In addition to the hearings, written comments will also be accepted until November 15, 2021 by using the Commission's online public comments portal at <https://www.psc.state.md.us/make-a-public-comment/> **Comments should reference Case. No 9658.** In addition to the Commission's website, the application is available for public inspection in a black mailbox labeled 'BGE CPCN' adjacent to the front door of BGE's White Marsh training facility, located at 11350 Pulaski Highway.

Comments sent by first-class mail should be addressed to Andrew S. Johnston, Executive Secretary, Maryland Public Service Commission, William Donald Schaefer Tower, 6 St. Paul Street, 16th Floor, Baltimore, Maryland 21202. Please reference Case No. 9658.

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