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PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

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**NOTICE OF SUSPENDED
PUBLIC INFORMATION ACT TIMELINES**

This notice is given by the Public Service Commission of Maryland (the “Commission”), acting pursuant to the Proclamation of Governor Lawrence J. Hogan, Jr. (the “Governor”) dated March 5, 2020 proclaiming a state of emergency and a catastrophic health emergency related to COVID-19, as it may be amended or renewed from time to time, and the Order of the Governor dated March 12, 2020 entitled “Extending Certain Licenses, Permits, Registrations, and Other Governmental Authorizations, and Authorizing Suspension of Legal Time Requirements,” as it may be amended from time to time, after finding that the action(s) described herein will not endanger the public health, welfare, or safety.

The Commission hereby suspends the timeframes for both 10-day and 30-day responses to Public Information Act (PIA) requests directed to the Commission pursuant to the Maryland Public Information Act, MD. CODE ANN., General Provision (“GP”) § 4-201 *et seq.* Any effect of GP § 4-203 inconsistent with the foregoing is hereby suspended.

This Notice is effective immediately and shall remain in effect until 30 days after the state of emergency has been terminated and the proclamation of the catastrophic health emergency has been rescinded.

By Direction of the Commission,

/s/ Andrew S. Johnston

Andrew S. Johnston
Executive Secretary