

**ORDER NO. 87799**

IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION  
OF BALTIMORE GAS AND ELECTRIC  
COMPANY FOR APPROVAL OF A GAS  
SYSTEM STRATEGIC  
INFRASTRUCTURE DEVELOPMENT  
AND ENHANCEMENT PLAN AND  
ACCOMPANYING COST RECOVERY  
MECHANISM

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BEFORE THE  
PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION  
OF MARYLAND

2016 AMENDMENT TO STRIDE PLAN

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CASE NO. 9331  
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**Issue Date: September 27, 2016**

To: Parties of Record and Interested Persons

On August 4, 2016, the Public Service Commission (“Commission”) issued Order No. 87699 that established a procedural schedule for this proceeding to address Baltimore Gas and Electric Company’s (“BGE” or “Company”) first amendment to its approved Gas System Strategic Infrastructure Development and Enhancement (“STRIDE”) Plan filed on July 1, 2016.<sup>1</sup> Parties to this case include BGE, the Office of People’s Counsel (“OPC”), Maryland Energy Group and W.R. Grace (collectively, “MEG”), and the Commission’s Technical Staff (“Staff”). Among other items, the Commission established a hearing schedule and set the evidentiary hearings for October 3-4, 2016.

On September 23, 2016, BGE, on behalf of the Parties in this proceeding, notified the Commission that the Parties have reached an agreement in this matter and filed a

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<sup>1</sup> ML 194316.

Joint Motion for Approval of Agreement of Unanimous Stipulation and Settlement (“Joint Motion”).<sup>2</sup> Collectively, the Parties request that the Commission: (1) approve the Unanimous Stipulation and Settlement (“Settlement”) set forth in the Joint Motion; and (2) waive such provisions of the Commission’s Rules and Regulations as may be necessary to permit the requested relief. Because of the Settlement, the Company indicated it will not be submitting rebuttal testimony as previously scheduled, but instead submitted testimony by Company witness McMullen in support of the Settlement. In addition, the Company requested that the Commission reserve the first day of the already scheduled evidentiary hearing, October 3, 2016, for consideration of the Settlement.

In light of the Joint Motion, the Commission hereby amends the procedural schedule adopted in Order No. 87699. The Commission will hold an evidentiary hearing on October 3, 2016 to enter pre-filed testimony into the record as well as to hear testimony in support of the approval of the Settlement. The hearing will be held in the Commission’s 16<sup>th</sup> Floor hearing Room beginning at 10:00 a.m. The Parties shall make available their witnesses and attorneys for Commission questions at the October 3, 2016 hearing on the issues presented in this Settlement.

**IT IS THEREFORE,** this 27<sup>th</sup> day of September, in the year Two Thousand Sixteen by the Public Service Commission of Maryland;

**ORDERED:** (1) That the procedural schedule adopted in Order No. 87699 is amended in its entirety as follows:

- (a) An evidentiary hearing shall be held on Monday, October

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<sup>2</sup> ML 199647.

3, 2016, beginning at 10:00 a.m. in the Commission's offices to consider the Settlement;  
and,

(2) That the Parties are hereby notified that the Commission may further  
revise the hearing schedule as needed.

By Direction of the Commission,

*/s/ David J. Collins*

David J. Collins  
Executive Secretary