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## **ORDER NO. 88883**

IN THE MATTER OF POTOMAC EDISON COMPANY D/B/A ALLEGHENY POWER'S ENERGY EFFICIENCY, CONSERVATION AND DEMAND RESPONSE PROGRAMS PURSUANT TO THE EMPOWER MARYLAND ENERGY EFFICIENCY ACT OF 2008	<ul> <li>* BEFORE THE</li> <li>* PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION</li> <li>* OF MARYLAND</li> <li>*</li> <li>*</li> <li>* CASE NO. 9153</li> </ul>
IN THE MATTER OF BALTIMORE GAS AND ELECTRIC COMPANY'S ENERGY EFFICIENCY, CONSERVATION AND DEMAND RESPONSE PROGRAMS PURSUANT TO THE EMPOWER MARYLAND ENERGY EFFICIENCY ACT OF 2008	* * * * CASE NO. 9154 * *
IN THE MATTER OF POTOMAC ELECTRIC POWER COMPANY'S ENERGY EFFICIENCY, CONSERVATION AND DEMAND RESPONSE PROGRAMS PURSUANT TO THE EMPOWER MARYLAND ENERGY EFFICIENCY ACT OF 2008	* * * * CASE NO. 9155 * *
IN THE MATTER OF DELMARVA POWER & LIGHT COMPANY'S ENERGY EFFICIENCY, CONSERVATION AND DEMAND RESPONSE PROGRAMS PURSUANT TO THE EMPOWER MARYLAND ENERGY EFFICIENCY ACT OF 2008	* * * * CASE NO. 9156 * *
IN THE MATTER OF SOUTHERN MARYLAND ELECTRIC COOPERATIVE, INC.'S ENERGY EFFICIENCY, CONSERVATION AND DEMAND RESPONSE PROGRAMS PURSUANT TO THE EMPOWER MARYLAND ENERGY EFFICIENCY ACT OF 2008	* * * CASE NO. 9157 * * *
IN THE MATTER OF WASHINGTON GAS LIGHT COMPANY'S ENERGY EFFICIENCY, CONSERVATION AND DEMAND RESPONSE * *PROGRAMS PURSUANT TO THE EMPOWER MARYLAND ENERGY EFFICIENCY ACT OF 2008	* * CASE NO. 9362 * * * *
IN THE MATTER OF THE EMPOWER MARYLAND 2018–2020 ENERGY EFFICIENCY, CONSERVATION AND DEMAND RESPONSE PROGRAM PLANS PURSUANT TO THE EMPOWER MARYLAND ENERGY ACT OF 2008	* * CASE NO. 9494 * * * * * *

Issue Date: October 24, 2018

Pursuant to the EmPOWER Maryland Energy Efficiency Act of 2008, the Maryland Public Service Commission ("Commission") has been conducting consolidated proceedings associated with the energy efficiency, conservation, and demand response program plans filed by Baltimore Gas and Electric Company (Case No. 9154), Delmarva Power & Light Company (Case No. 9156), Potomac Electric Power Company (Case No. 9155), Southern Maryland Electric Cooperative, Inc. (Case No. 9157), The Potomac Electric Company (Case No. 9153), and Washington Gas Light Company (Case No. 9362) (collectively, the "EmPOWER MD Utilities"). The Maryland Department of Housing and Community Development files its reports and pleadings associated with its EmPOWER Maryland Limited Income Energy Efficiency and Multifamily Energy Efficiency and Housing Affordability Programs in each of the six EmPOWER MD cases. The Commission's Technical Staff and other parties, when they file reports or other pleadings affecting each of the EmPOWER MD cases, also must file their respective report or pleading in each of the six EmPOWER MD cases. Additionally, the Commission must serve each party on the service list for each of the EmPOWER MD cases, even though, for the most part, the identical order or notice is served multiple times on the same representative of the parties.

On October 25 and 26, 2018, the Commission will conduct hearings on the first semi-annual reports for each of the EmPOWER MD Utilities' 2018–2020 energy efficiency, conservation, and demand response programs. The Commission concludes that it will be more efficient and effective, and save the resources of the Commission and the parties, by consolidating the EmPOWER MD matters (Case Nos. 9153, 9154, 9155,

9156, 9157, and 9362) into one proceeding as the Commission continues its review of the 2018–2020 EmPOWER MD programs. The Commission finds that the need for individual proceedings is no longer required as it may have been when the programs were first initiated. Accordingly, the dockets in Case Nos. 9153, 9154, 9155, 9156, 9157, and 9362 are hereby closed, and a new docket, Case No. 9494, is hereby initiated.

The Commission will consolidate the six service lists from each of the prior EmPOWER Maryland proceedings into one service list. Parties in each of the prior EmPOWER Maryland dockets are requested to review the service list in each Case and provide any updates needed to the new consolidated docket's (Case No. 9494) service list. Effective as the date of this Order, all EmPOWER MD pleadings shall be filed in the new docket.

**IT IS, THEREFORE,** this 24<sup>th</sup> day of October in the year Two Thousand Eighteen by the Maryland Public Service Commission,

**ORDERED:** (1) That the dockets in Case No. 9153, 9154, 9155, 9156, 9157, and 9392 are hereby closed;

(2) That a new docket, Case No. 9494, is hereby initiated as set forth in this Order;

(3) That the parties are directed to submit any changes or updates to the service list for Case No. 9494; and

(4) That the parties are direct to file all EmPOWER MD

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pleadings in the new docket, Case No. 9494.

By Direction of the Commission.

/s/ Terry J. Romine

Terry J. Romine Executive Secretary