## **ORDER NO. 89171**

IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION OF \* BEFORE THE TRANSOURCE MARYLAND LLC FOR A \* PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION CERTIFICATE OF PUBLIC CONVENIENCE AND \* OF MARYLAND NECESSITY TO CONSTRUCT TWO NEW 230 KV \* TRANSMISSION LINES ASSOCIATED WITH THE \* INDEPENDENCE ENERGY CONNECTION \* PROJECT IN PORTIONS OF HARFORD AND \* CASE NO. 9471 WASHINGTON COUNTIES, MARYLAND \*

Issue Date: June 27, 2019

## ORDER TEMPORARILY SUSPENDING PROCEDUAL SCHEDULE

On June 21, 2019, Transource Maryland, LLC ("Transource") and the Maryland Department of Natural Resources, Power Plant Research Program ("PPRP") jointly filed a Motion To Temporarily Suspend the Procedural Schedule ("Motion") in the above-captioned matter for a period of 60 days. Transource and PPRP submit that they are in the process of engaging in settlement discussions, and that Transource has engaged in settlement discussions with each of the other parties in this case. In order to allow the parties additional time to continue settlement discussions, Transource and PPRP request that the briefing schedule be postponed by 60 days from the date of the Commission's order on their Motion.

Transource and PPRP represent that they have informed the Maryland Office of People's Counsel, Commission Staff, Harford County Council, Harford County, STOP Transource Power Lines MD, Inc, counsel for all represented landowners, and Intervenor Barron Shaw of this request. Transource and PPRP further represent that they are not

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> ML# 225845.

aware of any opposition to their Motion, and represent that a similar motion was filed by

Transource Pennsylvania, LLC on June 18, 2019 in companion proceedings before the

Pennsylvania Public Utility Commission.

Transource and PPRP submit that if they are unable to reach a resolution and

settlement to present to the Commission at the end of the 60-day temporary suspension of

the procedural schedule, they will notify the Commission in order to allow the Commission

to set a new briefing schedule consistent with periods (50 days for initial briefs; 25 days

for reply briefs) initially established by the Commission on June 10, 2019.

IT IS THEREFORE, this 27<sup>th</sup> day of June, in the year Two Thousand Nineteen,

by the Public Service Commission of Maryland,

**ORDERED**: (1) That the Joint Motion to Temporarily Suspend the Procedural

Schedule filed in this matter by Transource Maryland, LLC and the Department of Natural

Resources, Power Plant Research Program is hereby granted; and

(2) That within 30 days of this Order, Transource Maryland, LLC and Power Plant

Research Program shall provide a report to the Commission regarding the status of

settlement negotiations.

By Direction of the Commission,

/s/ Terry J. Romine

Terry J. Romine

Executive Secretary

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