ORDER NO. 89384

THE APPLICATION OF DELMARVA

* BEFORE THE

POWER & LIGHT COMPANY FOR

* PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

OF MARYLAND

* OF MARYLAND

* CASE NO. 9630

Issue Date: December 6, 2019

DELEGATION TO PUBLIC UTILITY LAW JUDGE DIVISION

On December 5, 2019, Delmarva Power and Light Company ("Delmarva" or "Company") filed an application with the Maryland Public Service Commission ("Commission") for authority to adjust its retail rates for the distribution of electric energy. The Company also filed supporting testimony, exhibits, and related tariff revisions. In its application, the Company asks the Commission for authority to increase its Maryland base distribution rates by \$18,523,166 with the proposed rates going into effect on January 4, 2020.

Pursuant to Public Utilities Article §4-204, *Annotated Code of Maryland*, the Commission concludes that the proposed rates filed by Delmarva on December 5, 2019 should be suspended for a period of not more than 150 days from January 4, 2020. The suspension period is necessary to provide the Commission with an opportunity to determine the justness and reasonableness of the proposals.

IT IS THEREFORE, this 6th day of December, in the year Two Thousand Nineteen by the Public Service Commission of Maryland,

ORDERED: (1) That the proposed rates filed by Delmarva Power and Light Company on December 5, 2019 are suspended for a period of not more than 150 days from January 4, 2020;

- (2) That proceedings as to the justness and reasonableness of the proposed rates are instituted by the Commission; and
 - (3) That this matter is hereby delegated to the Public Utility Law Judge Division.

By Direction of the Commission,

/s/ Andrew S. Johnston

Andrew S. Johnston Executive Secretary