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Public Information Hearing on Solar Facility Proposed for Wicomico County Virtual Session January 31 for 9.9 MW Walston I Project

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(BALTIMORE, MD) – Local residents and other interested members of the public are invited to hear the plans for a proposed 9.9 MW solar facility that Temo Renewables, LLC has applied to build in Wicomico County. The virtual informational session will take place on **Tuesday**, **January 31**, **2023** at **6:00 p.m.** Public Utility Law Judge Kristin Case Lawrence will preside.

The hearing will open with presentations by the applicant, the Department of Natural Resources Power Plant Research Program, the Maryland Office of People's Counsel, and the Maryland Public Service Commission's Technical Staff.

Temo Renewables has applied to the Maryland Public Service Commission for what is known as a Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity (CPCN), which grants an applicant the authority to construct an energy generating station or high-voltage transmission line in Maryland. According to the application, the project will be constructed on approximately 47 acres on Walston Switch Road in Salisbury, near the Salisbury Regional Airport. The project will include 34,600 solar panels, a battery energy storage system and 60 separate power stations, and will interconnect to the facilities of Choptank Electric Cooperative and Delmarva Power & Light.

Members of the public who wish to speak at the hearing can sign up by sending an email to psc.puli@gmail.com by 12 noon on January 30. The hearing will be held on the Zoom platform and participants will receive an email with the link to join in. For those who just want to watch the hearing, it will be simultaneously livestreamed on the Public Utility Law Judge's YouTube channel (MD PSC PULJs): https://bit.ly/2X6wLiP

In addition to the hearings, written comments can be submitted electronically through the Commission's online portal at https://www.psc.state.md.us/make-a-public-comment/

Comments sent by mail should be addressed to: Andrew Johnston, Executive Secretary, Maryland Public Service Commission, William Donald Schaefer Tower, 6 St. Paul Street, 16th Floor, Baltimore, MD 21202. All comments should reference Case No. 9682.

The application is available for public inspection/copying at the Wicomico County Department of Planning, Zoning and Community Development, 125 Division St. # 203 in Salisbury.

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