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PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

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Revisions to COMAR 20.79

* Administrative Docket
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Notice Initiating Rulemaking (RM72) Regarding Application Requirements

For A Certificate Of Public Convenience And Necessity

The Maryland Public Service Commission hereby initiates an Administrative Docket, RM72, to consider revisions to Code of Maryland Regulations ("COMAR") 20.79. On December 18, 2020, the Commission's Technical Staff ("Staff") submitted a Petition for a Rulemaking for the purpose of revising the COMAR provisions governing applications for a Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity to include certain application requirements, including the establishment of a new pre-application process, for the construction of large-scale generating stations.¹ The background, purposes, and text of the proposed regulations may be found in and attached to Staff's petition.

Comments on the proposed revisions to COMAR 20.79, shall be e-filed by Friday, February 5, 2021.² The comments should be addressed to Andrew S. Johnston, Executive Secretary, Maryland Public Service Commission, William Donald Schaefer Tower, St. Paul

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¹ Maillog No. 233034.

² Details of the e-File system can be found on the Commission's website, <u>www.psc.state.md.us</u>.

Street, 16th Floor, Baltimore, Maryland 21202. The applicable Administrative Docket number (RM72) must appear in the subject line of the cover letter.

The Commission will announce any plans to conduct a virtual rulemaking session on the proposed revisions and comments at a later date.

By Direction of the Commission,

/s/ Andrew S. Johnston

Andrew S. Johnston Executive Secretary