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Revisions to COMAR 20.31.05.08

Administrative Docket

**RM73** 

## **NOTICE INITIATING RULEMAKING (RM73) AND**

## NOTICE OF VIRTUAL RULEMAKING SESSION

The Maryland Public Service Commission hereby initiates an Administrative Docket, RM73, to consider revisions to COMAR 20.31.05.08. On December 31, 2020, on behalf of the MEAP/USPP Working Group, the Commission's Technical Staff ("Staff") submitted a petition for a rulemaking and a brief report regarding the MEAP/USPP Working Group proposed changes to the USPP regulations ("Staff Proposal"), which included a request that the Commissions instruct the utilities to comply with an attached data request.<sup>1</sup> The data request and the background, purposes, and text of the proposed regulations may be found in Staff's petition.

Comments on the Staff Proposal shall be e-filed by Monday, February 1, 2021.<sup>2</sup> The comments should be addressed to Andrew S. Johnston, Executive Secretary, Maryland Public Service Commission, William Donald Schaefer Tower, St. Paul Street, 16<sup>th</sup> Floor, Baltimore. Maryland 21202. The applicable Administrative Docket number (RM73) must appear in the subject line of the cover letter.

Website: www.psc.state.md.us

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Maillog No. 233166.

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

The Commission also gives notice that it will conduct a virtual rulemaking session on

Monday, March 1, 2021, beginning at 10:00 a.m. The purpose of the rulemaking session is to

consider whether to publish the revisions to COMAR 20.31.05.08, as submitted on December 31,

2020, or as revised based on comments received. If the Commission approves the proposed

regulations for publication, the proposed regulations will be published in the Maryland Register

for notice and comment as provided for by the Maryland Administrative Procedures Act.

If you would like to actively participate in the virtual rulemaking, please contact Tonya

Johnson at tonya.johnson3@maryland.gov by 12 Noon on Thursday, February 25, 2021.<sup>3</sup>

Otherwise, you may watch the live stream of the rulemaking session on the Commission's

YouTube channel.<sup>4</sup> Please also direct any questions about the rulemaking to Tonya Johnson.

By Direction of the Commission,

/s/ Andrew S. Johnston

Andrew S. Johnston Executive Secretary

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<sup>3</sup> The meeting will be conducted on Webex. After the 12 p.m. February 25, 2021, deadline, participants will receive instructions on how to participate, which may include a required test run.

<sup>4</sup> https://www.youtube.com/c/MarylandPSC.