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Revisions to COMAR 20.50

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Administrative Docket  
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**Notice Initiating Rulemaking (RM77) and Directing Workgroups**

On June 23, 2022, the Commission’s Technical Staff (“Staff”) submitted a Petition for Rulemaking for Small Generator Facility Interconnection Regulations and the PC44 Interconnection Workgroup Phase IV Final Report (“Phase IV Report”).<sup>1</sup> Accordingly, the Commission hereby initiates an Administrative Docket, RM77, to consider revisions to Code of Maryland Regulations (“COMAR”) 20.50.02.02 and 20.50.09.01, .06, and .14.

Comments on the Petition shall be e-filed by July 19, 2022.<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, 16th Floor, Baltimore, Maryland 21202. The Administrative Docket number (RM77) must appear in the subject line of the cover letter.

The Commission also gives notice that it will conduct a rulemaking session on August 2, 2022, beginning at 10:00 a.m. in the Frank O. Heintz Hearing Room, on the 16th Floor of the William Donald Schaefer Tower, 6 St. Paul Street, Baltimore, Maryland. The purpose of the rulemaking session is to consider whether to publish the revisions to COMAR 20.50 as submitted

<sup>1</sup> Maillog No. 241204. Staff’s Petition and proposed revised regulations are included therein.

<sup>2</sup> Details of the e-File system can be found on the Commission’s website, [www.psc.state.md.us](http://www.psc.state.md.us).

on June 23, 2022 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.

The Phase IV Report also recommended that the following matters be extended into Phase V: (1) additional evaluation of a Maryland Cost Allocation Method proposal, (2) several interconnection issues either associated with PJM's FERC Order No. 2222 compliance filing or raised by Workgroup stakeholders, and (3) any new requirements that may result from any Final FERC Order on PJM's Order No. 2222 compliance filing and the further development of PJM processes to implement FERC Order No. 2222. The Commission concurs with these recommendations and directs the PC44 Interconnection Workgroup to consider them in Phase V of its proceedings.

The Phase IV Report further recommended that development of hosting capacity calculation standards and DER forecasting, as well as distribution planning process changes to guide investment decisions to effectively implement the [grid] transformation by considering DERs as grid assets in a model under which utilities proactively prepare the grid for DER integration, be included in the PC44 Distribution System Planning Workgroup's scope of work. The Commission also concurs with these recommendations and directs the PC44 Distribution System Planning Workgroup to consider them in its proceedings.

By Direction of the Commission,

*/s/ Andrew S. Johnston*

Andrew S. Johnston  
Executive Secretary