

ORDER NO. 91003

In The Matter of the Commission’s
Investigation into Default Service for Type II
Standard Offer Service Customers

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BEFORE THE
PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION
OF MARYLAND

CASE NO. 9056

In the Matter of the Competitive Selection of
Electricity Supplier/Standard Offer or Default
Service for Investor-Owned Utility Small
Commercial Customers and for The Potomac
Edison Company D/B/A Allegheny Power’s,
Baltimore Gas and Electric Company’s,
Delmarva Power and Light Company’s and
Potomac Electric Power Company’s
Residential Customers

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CASE NO. 9064

Issue Date: January 29, 2024

1. On January 25, 2024, in Case Nos. 9056 and 9064, a hearing was held concerning the conduct and results of the January 22, 2024, Standard Offer Service (“SOS”) solicitations for Potomac Edison Company’s residential customers and Type II commercial customers full requirement services by each of the State’s investor-owned electric utilities (individually, “IOU”; and collectively, “IOUs”)¹ pursuant to Order No. 81019 in Case No. 9056,² Order No. 81102 in Case No. 9064,³ and Order No. 82228⁴ in

¹ These IOUs are Baltimore Gas and Electric Company, Delmarva Power & Light Company, Potomac Electric Power Company, and the Potomac Edison Company.

² Order No. 81019 dated August 28, 2006, *In the Matter of the Commission’s Investigation into Default Service for Type II Standard Offer Service Customers*, Case No. 9056. The Commission denied an application for rehearing by Order No. 81093, dated November 2, 2006.

³ Order No. 81102, dated November 8, 2006, *In the Matter of the Competitive Selection of Electricity Supplier/Standard Offer or Default Service for Investor-Owned Utility Small Commercial Customers; and*

Case Nos. 9056 and 9064. At the hearing, Frank Mossburg of Bates White, LLC (“Bid Monitor”) testified on the conduct and results of the SOS solicitations for each IOU and Drew McAuliffe of Commission Staff (“Staff”) testified on the estimates of bill impacts given the results of the January 22, 2024, SOS bidding.

2. The Bid Monitor testified that the January 22, 2024, bid solicitation was for full requirements service for 12 different products among the four IOUs and that in response to the solicitation for the entire Request for Proposals (“RFP”), approximately 4.1 megawatts (“MW”) were bid for every MW needed overall. The Bid Monitor recommended that the Commission accept the results of the January 22, 2024, bid day. The recommendation was based on the following points: (1) the winning prices were consistent with broader market conditions; (2) the RFP was sufficiently competitive, with seven bidders participating in at least one offering, and five bidders winning a share of supply; (3) the RFP was open, fair, and transparent, as all bidders, including utility affiliates, signed the same contract and all bids were judged solely on the basis of price; and (4) the process adhered to procedures laid out in the RFP and Commission Orders.⁵

3. No party offered any testimony rebutting the Bid Monitor’s testimony or commented on the Bid Monitor’s recommendation. Accordingly, the Commission accepted the results of the January 22, 2024, bid day, and took no action on the award of the contracts for the bids found to be acceptable.

for The Potomac Edison Company d/b/a Allegheny Power’s, Delmarva Power and Light Company’s and Potomac Electric Power Company’s Residential Customers, Case No. 9064.

⁴ Order No. 82228, dated September 12, 2008, *In the Matter of the Commission’s Investigation into Default Service for Type II Standard Offer Service Customers, Case No. 9056, and In the Matter of the Competitive Selection of Electricity Supplier/Standard Offer or Default Service for Investor-Owned Utility Small Commercial Customers; and for The Potomac Edison Company d/b/a Allegheny Power’s, Delmarva Power and Light Company’s and Potomac Electric Power Company’s Residential Customers, Case No. 9064.*

⁵ Staff Exhibit 1, Direct Testimony of Frank Mossburg of Bates White, LLC on behalf of the Staff of the Public Service Commission of Maryland, dated January 25, 2024.

IT IS THEREFORE, this 29th day of January, in the year Two Thousand Twenty-Four, by the Public Service Commission of Maryland, **ORDERED** that the four Maryland investor-owned electric utilities may proceed to finalize the January 24, 2024, contracts awarded in accordance with the procedures set forth in the 2024 Request for Proposals and applicable Commission Orders.

By Direction of the Commission,

/s/ Andrew S. Johnston

Andrew S. Johnston
Executive Secretary