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Second Public Hearing Scheduled for Solar Facility Proposed to be Sited in Somerset County

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(BALTIMORE, MD) – Local residents and other interested members of the public are again invited to comment on a proposal by Econox Renewables Inc. to construct a 2.04 MW solar generating facility and associated interconnection facilities in Somerset County. The hearing will take place on **Thursday, May 15, 2025 at 6:30 p.m.** at The Henson, UMES Hotel and Conference Center, 30690 University Blvd. S in Princess Anne. Public Utility Law Judge Kristin Case Lawrence will preside. The first public hearing in this case was held virtually in February of this year.

In September 2024, Econox Renewables 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 in Maryland. According to the application, the developer proposes to build the project, intended as part of Maryland's community solar program, on approximately 11 acres of a 60-acre property at 29715-29899 Deal Island Road in Princess Anne.

For those unable to attend in person, the hearing can be viewed the next day (barring any technical difficulties) on the PULJ Division's (MD PSC PULJs) YouTube channel: <https://bit.ly/2X6wLiP>

In addition to the hearing, written comments can be sent (by May 30, 2025) electronically through the Commission's online portal at <https://www.psc.state.md.us/make-a-public-comment/>, or by mail. Comments sent by mail should be addressed to: Jamie Bergin, Chief Clerk, Maryland Public Service Commission, William Donald Schaefer Tower, 6 St. Paul Street, 16th Floor, Baltimore, MD 21202. So that they are noted in the proper case file, all comments should reference Case No. [9753](#).

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