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Federal Grant Opportunities for Utilities	*	Administrative Docket
under the Infrastructure Investment and Jobs	*	PC56
Act	*	
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SUPPLEMENTAL NOTICE OF HEARING AND OPPORTUNITY TO COMMENT

On March 19, 2024, as part of Public Conference 56 (“PC56”), the Public Service Commission issued a Notice of Public Hearing and Opportunity to Comment on electric companies’ efforts to procure federal funding since the issuance of Order No. 90272, evaluating their relative successfulness in procuring such funding, and discussing the extent to which such efforts and relative successfulness align with its existing distribution plan and with state policy goals stated under Public Utilities Article (“PUA”) §§ 7-802 and 7-803, as well as other comments relevant to these topics.¹ That Notice sought comments by May 1, reply comments by May 22, and set a legislative-style hearing for June 12, 2024.

Following the issuance of that Notice, the Maryland General Assembly passed legislation, expected to take effect October 1, 2024, requiring the Commission to adopt regulations or issue orders expressly requiring electric companies to apply for federal and other

¹ Maillog No. 308316.

available funds in a timely manner and “to ensure that least-cost debt is used.”²

Accordingly, the Commission hereby gives notice that it is extending the deadline for reply comments to June 3, 2024, and directs each company subject to Order No. 90272 to comment on the requirements of the legislation cited herein. The Commission invites other stakeholders to additionally comment on these requirements, as well as any other comments in reply to the May 1st comments, by June 3, 2024. Comments must be electronically filed in the PC56 docket on the Commission’s website and addressed to Andrew S. Johnston, Executive Secretary, Maryland Public Service Commission, William Donald Schaefer Tower, 6 St. Paul Street, 16th Floor, Baltimore, Maryland 21202. The legislative-style hearing scheduled for June 12, 2024, remains unchanged and will be live-streamed and held in-person at the Frank O. Heintz Hearing Room of the William Donald Schaefer Tower, 6 St. Paul Street, 16th Floor, Baltimore, Maryland 21202, following the conclusion of the Commission’s administrative meeting that morning.

By Direction of the Commission,

/s/ Andrew S. Johnston

Andrew S. Johnston
Executive Secretary

² H.B. 1393, 446th Gen. Assembly (2024) (to be codified at Md. Code Ann., PUA § 7-803).