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## In-Person Public Comment Hearing Set for BGE's Rate Case

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(BALTIMORE, MD) – The Maryland Public Service Commission has scheduled a final public comment hearing—this one in-person—on the multi-year rate plan filed in February by Baltimore Gas and Electric Company. Utility customers and other interested parties are welcome to take part in the hearing on **Wednesday, September 20, 2023 at 6:30 p.m.,** in the Commission's Frank O. Heintz Hearing Room, 6 St. Paul Street, 16<sup>th</sup> Floor, in Baltimore. The Commission held two virtual public comment hearings in August in this case.

According to BGE's application, the company proposes a combined gas and electric rate increase of \$602.4 million over three years, which it says will increase the average residential customer's bill by five percent per year. The company provides electric distribution service to more than 1.3 million customers and gas service to 700,000 customers in the greater central Maryland region, including Baltimore City and all or part of 10 surrounding counties.

To sign up in advance to speak at the hearing, send an email to <u>kimberly.schock@maryland.gov</u> by 12 noon on Monday, September 18. For those who just want to watch the hearing, it will be livestreamed on the Commission's <u>YouTube</u> channel.

The Commission will also accept written comments (until September 29, 2023) which can be sent by mail or submitted electronically through the online portal at <a href="https://www.psc.state.md.us/make-a-public-comment/">https://www.psc.state.md.us/make-a-public-comment/</a>

Comments sent by mail should be addressed to: Andrew Johnston, Executive Secretary, Maryland Public Service Commission, William Donald Schaefer Tower, 6 St. Paul Street, 16<sup>th</sup> Floor, Baltimore, MD 21202. So that they are noted in the proper case file, all comments should reference **Case No. 9692.** Only one copy is necessary.

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