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**NOTICE PROHIBITING UTILITY SHUT OFF
DURING EXTREME WEATHER PERIODS**

On June 23, 2025, Governor Moore signed a State of Preparedness declaration¹ in advance of high temperatures expected this week. On May 7, 2025, the Commission revised Code of Maryland Regulations (“COMAR”) 20.31.01.02 and 20.31.03.04 to protect utility customers from the risks of extreme heat by prohibiting service terminations during summer extreme weather periods.²

Consistent with the Governor’s declaration, and in accordance with the Commission’s new regulations, the Commission reminds utilities of the prohibition against service terminations due to nonpayment during a summer extreme weather period, as defined in COMAR.

By Direction of the Commission,

/s/ Andrew S. Johnston

Andrew S. Johnston
Executive Secretary

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https://governor.maryland.gov/Lists/ExecutiveOrders/Attachments/87/EO%2001.01.2025.14%20Declaration%20of%20a%20State%20of%20Preparedness%20-%20Extreme%20Heat%20Anticipated_Accessible.pdf

² Maillog No. 318689.