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PSEG Renewable Transmission LLC's	*	
Application for a Certificate of Public	*	Case No. 9773
Convenience and Necessity to Construct a	*	
New 500 kV Transmission Line in Portions	*	
of Baltimore, Carroll and Frederick Counties	*	
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NOTICE AND REQUEST FOR COMMENTS

On January 10, 2025, the Commission issued a “Notice of Intervention Deadline and Requested Completeness Determination,” establishing February 17, 2025 as the deadline for filing petitions to intervene in this matter. The Notice also requested that the Maryland Department of Natural Resources Power Plant Research Program (“PPRP”) report by March 26, 2025 whether it considers PSEG Renewable Transmission LLC’s (“PSEG,” the “Company” or the “Applicant”) Application for a certificate of public convenience and necessity (“CPCN”) for the Maryland Piedmont Reliability Project (“MPRP” or the “Project”) to be administratively complete pursuant to Code of Maryland Regulations (“COMAR”) 20.79.01.06K(2).¹

In its filing on March 26, 2025, the PPRP reported, based on its initial review, that it concluded that the Project’s Application is not administratively complete pursuant to COMAR. Specifically, the PPRP concluded that the Application lacks the required “Information on

¹ Maillog No. 317070. On February 19, 2025, the Commission extended the deadline for filing petitions to intervene to February 24, 2025 (Maillog No. 316028).

Alternative Transmission Line Routes” (COMAR 20.79.04.03) and “Specific Environmental and Socioeconomic Information” including impacts of the Project (COMAR 20.79.04.04).

Also on March 26, 2025, the Applicant filed a motion, requesting that the Commission promptly schedule a pre-hearing conference to allow the Commission to rule on the multiple petitions to intervene, address the administrative completeness of the Company’s Application, adopt a procedural schedule in this case, and address any other preliminary issues the Commission considers appropriate.² The Company also requested that the Commission establish a procedural schedule consistent with PJM Interconnection LLC’s (“PJM”) June 2027 in-service date for the Project. The Company noted that the intervention deadline has passed and that the PPRP has submitted its recommendations regarding administrative completeness.

Regarding the intervention requests, the Company asks the Commission to (1) grant the 114 individual landowner’s petitions to intervene identified in its Exhibit C, as well as the petitions to intervene filed by the four local governments³ and The Potomac Edison Company, and (2) designate the 48 individual non-adjacent landowner petitioners identified in the Company’s Exhibit B and seven specialty interest organizations referenced in its motion as “Interested Persons” in this proceeding.⁴

The Commission notes PPRP’s report on administrative completeness and PSEG’s motion and hereby requests that persons interested in this matter submit comments on PSEG’s motion and

² Maillog No. 317082 at 14, the Company’s Motion.

³ Maillog Nos. 315404, 315504, 315105 and 315215.

⁴ The seven special interest groups are Stop MPRP, the Land Preservation Trust, the Maryland Farm Bureau, the Sierra Club, the Valley Plannings Council, Inc., the Gunpowder Riverkeeper, and the Potomac Riverkeeper Network. The purpose of this designation as “Interested Parties” as opposed to intervenors would be to limit these parties’ involvement in these proceedings to the filing of written public comments and participation in future public hearings.

PPRP's filing to the Commission on or before April 11, 2025. The comments should be addressed to Andrew S. Johnston, Executive Secretary, Maryland Public Service Commission, William Donald Schaefer Tower, 6 St. Paul Street, 16th Floor, Baltimore, Maryland 21202, and reference "Case No. 9773" in the subject line of the cover letter.⁵

Upon receipt of these comments, the Commission will further consider the procedural schedule in this matter.

By Direction of the Commission,

/s/ Andrew S. Johnston

Andrew S. Johnston
Executive Secretary

⁵ Details of the eFile system can be found on the Commission's website, www.psc.state.md.us.