

IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION  
OF BALTIMORE GAS AND ELECTRIC  
COMPANY FOR A CERTIFICATE OF  
PUBLIC CONVENIENCE AND NECESSITY  
FOR THE BUSH RIVER CROSSING  
PROJECT

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BEFORE THE  
PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION  
OF MARYLAND

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CASE NO. 9642  
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Issued: December 18, 2020

**PUBLIC UTILITY LAW JUDGE'S  
NOTICE OF PUBLIC COMMENT HEARING**

On April 17, 2020, Baltimore Gas and Electric Company (“BGE” or “the Applicant”) filed an application for a Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity (“CPCN”) for authority to replace a 1.3-mile portion of an existing 115 kV transmission line (Circuits 110620/110621) that runs from Edgewood to Perryman across the Bush River in Harford County, Maryland.<sup>1</sup> BGE asserted the Project is required to improve reliability and critical infrastructure. The Applicant proposes to replace 7 structures (3 steel lattice towers and 4 wood H-frames) with 9 steel monopoles, which will be approximately 125-145 feet higher than the lattice towers, resulting in higher spans and clearances that meet current standards, improved safety, and minimizing sailboat contact with the wires.

An evening hearing for the purpose of receiving comments from the public on the Application will be held on **Tuesday, February 9, 2021 at 7:00 p.m.** via virtual meeting.<sup>2</sup> If you would like to speak at the hearing, please send an email to [psc.pulj@gmail.com](mailto:psc.pulj@gmail.com) by **12:00 p.m. on**

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<sup>1</sup> The application is available for public inspection or copying at Baltimore Gas and Electric Company (“BGE”), 2 Center Plaza, 12th Floor, 110 West Fayette Street, Baltimore, Maryland 21201. Please contact David Ralph, Assistant General Counsel for BGE, at [david.ralph@bge.com](mailto:david.ralph@bge.com) to schedule an appointment to view the application. Additionally, the application and other pleadings in this matter may be viewed or downloaded from the electronic docket file (9642) available through the Commission's website, [www.psc.state.md.us](http://www.psc.state.md.us).

<sup>2</sup> The meeting will be held through WebEx and participants will receive an email with the link to the virtual meeting.

**Monday, February 8, 2021.** Anyone wishing to observe the live stream of the public hearing may do so via the Public Utility Law Judge Division's YouTube Channel.<sup>3</sup> Please also direct any questions about the public hearing to [psc.pulj@gmail.com](mailto:psc.pulj@gmail.com).

Written comments on these matters may be submitted electronically or by first-class mail on or before **March 22, 2021**. Comments submitted electronically must be submitted through the Commission's Public Comment Dropbox, which can be accessed through the Commission's website at [www.psc.state.md.us](http://www.psc.state.md.us). Instructions for logging into the Public Comment Dropbox are located under the "Tools" section of the Commission's website under the "Make a Public Comment" tab, which can be accessed via the following link: <https://www.psc.state.md.us/make-a-public-comment/>. Commenters utilizing the Public Comment Dropbox are required to complete a one-time registration. All comments must include a reference to **Case No. 9642**. If submitted by first-class mail, comments must 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. Only one copy is required.

The Applicant is hereby directed to:

- Once in each of the four successive weeks immediately before the public hearing date:
  - Publish notice of the hearing, including the caption, case number, time, and date of the hearing as a display advertisement in a newspaper of general circulation throughout Harford County, including in the notice a link to the PULJ Division's YouTube Channel, and the methods by which written comments may be submitted; and
  - Post on at least two routinely used social media platforms, such as Facebook or Twitter, and use any other means of communications at its disposal to further notify Harford County residents/businesses of the date and time of the hearing, the link to the PULJ Division's YouTube

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<sup>3</sup> You may access the PULJ Division's YouTube Channel via the following link to the YouTube Channel: <https://bit.ly/2X6wLiP>.

Channel, and the methods and date by which written public comments may be submitted.<sup>4</sup>

- At least four weeks prior to the date of the evening hearing until the day after the evening hearing, post on its home website page (if the Applicant has a website) a notice of the evening hearing in a manner so that an individual need not click the link to determine the date, time, and purpose of the hearing, the link to the PULJ Division's YouTube Channel, and how written public comments may be filed.
- File a certificate(s) of publication and all other methods of providing notice set forth herein with the Commission on or before the date of the hearing.

/s/ Ryan C. McLean  
Ryan C. McLean  
Chief Public Utility Law Judge  
Public Service Commission of Maryland

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<sup>4</sup> Any party to the matter is also invited to post the Notice of Public Hearing on any website or social media platform that it may have at its disposal to publicize the time, date, and YouTube channel link for the hearing and the manner in which written comments may be submitted.

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**PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION**

December 18, 2020

In the matter of the application of Baltimore Gas and Electric Company for a Certificate of Public Convenience and necessity for the Bush River Crossing Project \*  
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Case No. 9642

**VIA E-MAIL**

To All Parties of Record and Interested Persons:

Enclosed is a copy of the "Public Utility Law Judge's Notice of Public Comment Hearing" issued today in the above-referenced matter.

Very truly yours,

*/s/ Kathleen Berends*

Kathleen Berends  
Administrator

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Enclosures