

COMMONWEALTH OF VIRGINIA
STATE CORPORATION COMMISSION

**APPLICATION OF
VIRGINIA ELECTRIC AND POWER COMPANY**

CASE NO. PUE-2015-00107

**For approval and certification of electric transmission
facilities: Haymarket 230 kV Double Circuit Transmission
Line and 230-34.5 kV Haymarket Substation**

HEARING EXAMINER'S RULING

December 13, 2017

On July 14, 2017, the State Corporation Commission ("Commission") issued an Order Granting Reconsideration in this matter in response to separate requests for rehearing or reconsideration filed by the Coalition to Protect Prince William County ("Coalition") and Somerset Crossing Homeowners Association ("Somerset"), for the purpose of continuing jurisdiction over this matter.

On July 24, 2017, Virginia Electric and Power Company ("Company" or "Dominion") filed a Motion to Hold Proceeding in Abeyance for 60 Days and for Expedited Consideration that, among other things, requested 60 days to coordinate with Prince William County, and then to file a report ("Report") with the Commission, regarding the constructability of the Carver Road Route.

On July 25, 2017, the Commission issued its Order on Requested Abeyance that: (1) directed Dominion to file, on or before August 16, 2017, a response to the requests for rehearing or reconsideration filed by the Coalition and Somerset; (2) allowed the Coalition and Somerset to file replies, on or before September 8, 2017, to the Company's response; and (3) directed Dominion to file, on or before September 22, 2017, its Report with the Commission as referenced in the Motion to Hold Proceeding in Abeyance for 60 Days and for Expedited Consideration.

On August 16, 2017, Dominion filed its Response to the Petitions for Rehearing or Reconsideration as directed by the Commission. On September 22, 2017, Dominion filed its Report and the Coalition and Somerset filed their replies. In the pleadings, the parties seek to introduce new information on the need for the project proposed in this proceeding. Dominion's Report also contains new information on the variations to the routes proposed in the record.

On December 6, 2017, the Commission issued its Order Remanding for Further Proceedings in this matter ("Remand Order"). The Remand Order, among other things, directed the Hearing Examiner to conduct additional proceedings to receive evidence and legal analysis regarding: (1) new information as proffered by the parties that the Hearing Examiner finds relevant to the issue of need for the proposed project; and (2) Dominion's additional variations to the routes proposed in the record. The Remand Order further directed the Hearing Examiner to: (1) file a report describing the proceedings that occurred on remand; and (2) recommend whether

the Commission should continue to find that the proposed project is needed.

Having considered the Commission's Remand Order, I find that: (1) a hearing should be scheduled to address the issues identified by the Commission; and (2) a procedural schedule should be established for the filing of testimony and exhibits that the parties intend to introduce during the hearing. Accordingly,

IT IS DIRECTED THAT:

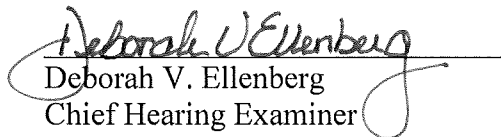
(1) A public hearing to receive evidence on the issues identified in the Commission's Remand Order shall be convened on February 8, 2018, at 10:00 a.m., in the Commission's courtroom, Second Floor, Tyler Building, 1300 East Main Street, Richmond, Virginia 23219, to receive the testimony of public witnesses and the evidence of the Company, Commission Staff, and the parties. Any person desiring to offer testimony as a public witness at this evidentiary hearing should appear in the Commission's courtroom fifteen (15) minutes prior to the starting time of the hearing and identify himself or herself to the Commission's Bailiff.

(2) On or before January 5, 2018, Dominion shall file with the Clerk of the Commission an original and fifteen (15) copies of any testimony and exhibits the Company intends to offer into evidence during the February 8, 2018 hearing, and simultaneously serve a copy thereof on the Commission Staff and other parties in this proceeding.

(3) On or before January 26, 2018, the Commission Staff, the Coalition, and Somerset may file with the Clerk of the Commission an original and fifteen (15) copies of any testimony and exhibits they intend to offer into evidence during the February 8, 2018 hearing, and simultaneously serve a copy thereof on Dominion, Commission Staff, and other parties in this proceeding.

(4) On or before February 2, 2018, Dominion shall file with the Clerk of the Commission an original and fifteen (15) copies of any rebuttal testimony and exhibits the Company intends to offer into evidence during the February 8, 2018 hearing, and simultaneously serve a copy thereof on the Commission Staff and other parties in this proceeding.

(5) This proceeding is continued pending further ruling of the Hearing Examiner.


Deborah V. Ellenberg
Chief Hearing Examiner

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