

**BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION  
OF THE STATE OF DELAWARE**

IN THE MATTER OF THE FILING BY )  
DELMARVA POWER & LIGHT COMPANY OF A )  
BLUEPRINT FOR THE FUTURE PLAN FOR ) PSC DOCKET NO. 07-28  
DEMAND-SIDE MANAGEMENT, ADVANCED )  
METERING, AND ENERGY EFFICIENCY )  
(FILED FEBRUARY 6, 2007) )

**ORDER NO. 7154**

This 20<sup>th</sup> day of March, 2007, the Commission determines and Orders the following:

1. The Commission opens this proceeding to consider the "Blueprint For The Future Application and Plan" ("Blueprint"), that included demand-side management ("DSM"), advanced metering, and energy efficiency plans submitted by Delmarva Power & Light Company ("Delmarva") on February 6, 2007.

2. The Commission now provides notice of Delmarva's filing of the Blueprint and hereby solicits comments on the content thereof.

3. This docket seeks to develop a full and complete record regarding the Blueprint, which includes DSM and energy efficiency initiatives and cost recovery mechanisms for DSM and Advanced Metering Infrastructure ("AMI") contained in the Blueprint.

4. Within 60 days of the date of this Order, the Hearing Examiner appointed herein shall convene a working group to examine Delmarva's proposals in the Blueprint. The Commission will not dictate a specific process for the Hearing Examiner to follow; rather, the Hearing Examiner is free to develop a process that is efficient and

fair. However, the Commission anticipates that the Hearing Examiner will convene one or more workshops or other similar meetings in which the Commission Staff, Delmarva, and other participants will work to identify possible recommendations, develop a list of "consensus" proposals, and narrow the issues related to any "contested" proposals.

5. The Hearing Examiner shall be available to decide any material procedural difficulties that might arise during this process. If disputes remain after the collaborative process and are ones that should or must be resolved by adversarial presentations, the Hearing Examiner shall then conduct the necessary or appropriate proceedings and hearings on the disputed matters. Upon conclusion of all necessary and appropriate hearings, the Hearing Examiner shall provide to the Commission a Report with proposed findings and recommendations for the Commission's consideration

Now, therefore, **IT IS ORDERED:**

1. That this docket is opened to develop a full and complete record regarding the demand-side management and energy efficiency initiatives and cost recovery mechanisms contained in the "Blueprint For The Future Application and Plan."

2. That Delmarva Power & Light Company shall publish the form of notice attached hereto as "Exhibit A" in the following newspapers, in two-column format, outlined in black, on the designated dates:

The News Journal (March 29, 2007)

Delaware State News (March 29, 2007)

Delmarva Power & Light Company shall file proof of such publication on or before April 15, 2007. The Commission's Secretary shall promptly

also post (for thirty days) the attached form of notice on the Commission's Internet website under an appropriate heading.

3. That persons or entities may also file petitions to intervene under Rule 21 of the Commission's "Rules of Practice and Procedure" on or before April 19, 2007. The Hearing Examiner shall have sole authority to review such petitions and determine whether intervention should be permitted.

4. That, pursuant to 26 Del. C. § 502 and 29 Del. C. ch. 101, Senior Hearing Examiner William F. O'Brien is designated as the Hearing Examiner for this matter. The Senior Hearing Examiner shall supervise and/or conduct such proceedings in this matter as he deems necessary or appropriate to create an adequate record. The Senior Hearing Examiner is also delegated the authority to determine the manner and content of any public notice he deems necessary or appropriate. At the conclusion of the proceedings, the Senior Hearing Examiner shall submit a Report with his proposed findings and, if necessary, recommendations concerning what actions the Commission should take, if any, in response to the "Blueprint For The Future Application and Plan."

5. That James McC. Geddes, Esquire, is appointed Rate Counsel in this matter.

6. That Delmarva Power & Light Compnay is notified that it will be assessed the costs of this proceeding under 26 Del. C. § 114(b).

7. That the Commission reserves the jurisdiction and authority to enter such further Orders in this matter as may be deemed necessary or proper.

BY ORDER OF THE COMMISSION:

/s/ Arnetta McRae  
Chair

/s/ Joann T. Conaway  
Commissioner

/s/ Jaymes B. Lester  
Commissioner

/s/ Dallas Winslow  
Commissioner

/s/ Jeffrey J. Clark  
Commissioner

ATTEST:

/s/ Karen J. Nickerson  
Secretary

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NOTICE OF SUBMISSION OF THE  
BLUEPRINT FOR THE FUTURE PLAN  
BY DELMARVA POWER & LIGHT COMPANY  
AND REQUEST FOR COMMENTS

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On February 6, 2007, Delmarva Power & Light Company ("DP&L") filed with the Public Service Commission ("the Commission") a demand-side management ("DSM"), advanced metering, and energy efficiency plan entitled the "Blueprint For The Future Application and Plan" ("Blueprint").

The Commission opens this docket to develop a full and complete record related to the Blueprint, including DSM, energy efficiency initiatives, and cost recovery mechanisms contained in the Blueprint.

You may ask to be allowed to intervene in the matter. To do so, you must file a petition to intervene under Rule 21 of the Commission's "Rules of Practice and Procedure." That petition must be filed with the Commission on or before April 19, 2007.

If you are disabled and need assistance to participate in this matter, contact the Commission to discuss arrangements for such

assistance. You can contact the Commission directly or by telephone at (302) 739-4247 (including text telephone) or toll-free at 1-800-282-8574 (Delaware only). Questions or inquiries can also be made by Internet e-mail addressed to [www.janis.dillard@state.de.us](mailto:www.janis.dillard@state.de.us).