

Dear PSC,

I am writing in regards to your decision to restrict the amount of infrastructure improvement by Delmarva Power. I previously lived in Indianapolis Indiana before retiring and moving to Long Neck, Delaware. I worked for 30 years for Indianapolis Power and Light. I spent 13 years in power production and 17 years in distribution. I feel like I learned a lot about the electric industry during that time.

One of the many things I learned was the time to upgrade was before a major failure. I am not sure what all Delmarva Power has planned but in my past experience it seemed there was always more to do. While at my company we installed automatic-remote switching capabilities. We also made upgrades to the monitoring of our relay systems in substations. We also installed a modern outage management system that included computer based dispatching to field personnel.

Even with all of these upgrades there was still much more to be done. It was limited by our holding company that was more interested in profits then people. The city of Indianapolis still needs serious upgrading to its downtown network. It regularly experiences outages and fires in manholes.

Before you make any final decision I urge you to look at all of the improvements that they want to make. Reliability is more critical than ever in an area that is sensitive to hurricanes and severe oceanic storms. Customers are also more dependent on reliable electric service than anytime in human history. Delaware's growing population of senior's lives may be depending their on electric powered equipment.

Feel free to contact me if you would like to discuss this further.

Sincerely,

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