BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION
OF THE STATE OF DELAWARE

IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION OF
DELMARVA POWER & LIGHT COMPANY FOR
APPROVAL OF MODIFICATIONS TO ITS GAS
COST RATES
(FILED AUGUST 31, 2012)

ORDER NO. 8294

AND NOW, this 21st day of February, 2013:

WHEREAS, on August 31, 2012 Delmarva Power & Light Company
(“Delmarva”) filed with the Delaware Public Service Commission
(the “Commission”) the above-captioned application seeking
approval to modify its Gas Cost Rates (“GCR”) effective on
November 1, 2012, with proration, and its applicable tariffs; and

WHEREAS, on September 18, 2012, pursuant to 26 Del. C.
§§304 and 306, the Commission ordered in Order No. 8217 that the
proposed GCR modifications and other requested revisions to
Delmarva’s tariffs should be permitted to become effective for
usage on and after November 1, 2012, with proration and subject
to refund, pending further review and final decision by the
Commission; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to 26 Del. C. §502 and 29 Del. C. ch.101, the Commission also designated Robert J. Howatt to act as
the Hearing Examiner for this docket, ordered that Hearing
Examiner Howatt schedule and conduct such public evidentiary
hearings as may be necessary or appropriate to develop a full and
complete record concerning this matter, and ordered that Hearing
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Examiner Howatt report thereafter to the Commission his proposed findings and recommendations based on the evidence presented;¹ and

WHEREAS, pursuant to 26 Del. Admin. C. §1001-2.9 and Order No. 8217, the Commission further delegated to Hearing Examiner Howatt the authority to grant or deny petitions to intervene in this matter and the authority, under 26 Del. C. §102A, to determine the content, form, and manner of any further notice in this matter; and

WHEREAS, Hearing Examiner Howatt has been appointed as the Executive Director of the Commission and is no longer able to act as a Hearing Examiner for this matter;

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY ORDERED BY THE AFFIRMATIVE VOTE OF NOT FEWER THAN THREE COMMISSIONERS:

1. That Connie McDowell is designated as the Hearing Examiner for this docket pursuant to 26 Del. C. §502 and 29 Del. C. ch. 101. Hearing Examiner McDowell shall schedule and conduct such public evidentiary hearings as may be necessary or appropriate to develop a full and complete record concerning this matter. Pursuant to 29 Del. C. §10126(a), Hearing Examiner Howatt shall thereafter report to the Commission her recommended findings of fact based upon the evidence, recommended conclusions of law, and recommended decision. Pursuant to 26 Del. Admin. C. §1001-2.9, Hearing Examiner McDowell is delegated the authority to grant or deny petitions to intervene. In addition, Hearing

¹ See Order No. 8217, ¶2 (September 18, 2012).
Examiner McDowell is delegated the authority, under 26 Del. C. §102A, to determine the content, form, and manner of any further notice in this matter.

3. 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/ Dallas Winslow
Chair

/s/ Jaymes B. Lester
Commissioner

/s/ Jeffrey J. Clark
Commissioner

Commissioner

Commissioner

ATTEST:

/s/ Alisa Carrow Bentley
Secretary