

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

IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION OF )  
DELMARVA POWER & LIGHT COMPANY FOR ) PSC Docket No. 20-0150  
AN INCREASE IN NATURAL GAS BASE RATES )  
(FILED FEBRUARY 21, 2020) )

**NOTICE OF PUBLIC EVIDENTIARY HEARINGS**

**TO: NATURAL GAS CUSTOMERS OF DELMARVA POWER & LIGHT COMPANY:**

A Hearing Examiner appointed by the Delaware Public Service Commission (the “Commission”) will conduct a public evidentiary hearing concerning the above-captioned case (as further explained below) by teleconference and by WebEx as follows:

<b>DATE &amp; TIME</b>	<b>ELECTRONIC ACCESS (for both days)</b>
Thursday, December 3, 2020, at 10:00 a.m.	By Teleconference: Toll-free 800-391-2548; Passcode <b>59934644</b>
Friday, December 4, 2020, at 10:00 a.m. (if necessary)	ByWebEx: <a href="https://publicmeetings.delaware.gov/#/meeting/67280">https://publicmeetings.delaware.gov/#/meeting/67280</a> Audio conference (for WebEx): 1-408-418-9388; Access code 173 260 8035#

In the event that the Governor of Delaware lifts the State of Emergency prior to the hearing date, the parties to the case and members of the public may attend the hearing in person at the Commission’s hearing room located at 861 Silver Lake Boulevard, Cannon Building, Suite 100, Dover, Delaware 19904. Remote participation, however, will continue to be available.

On February 21, 2020, Delmarva Power & Light Company (“Delmarva” or “the Company”) filed an application with the Commission seeking approval for a \$14,635,650 (9.5%) increase in its existing natural gas base rates and certain changes to its natural gas tariff. Delmarva’s proposed increase in base rates includes \$4,238,000 of revenues currently recovered through its Distribution System Improvement Charge (“DSIC”), which it proposes to transfer into base rates as required by statute.

The following is a breakdown by service classification of Delmarva’s proposed increases, which include the existing revenues from the DSIC:

<b>Service Classification</b>	<b>Full Proposed Request (Incl. DSIC) (\$)</b>	<b>Percent Increase (Incl. DSIC) (%)</b>
Residential	\$ 640,605.00	14.5%
Residential Space Heating	\$ 8,934,410.00	10%
GG/GVFT	\$ 3,658,514.00	8.6%
GL	\$ 141.00	13%
MVG/MVFT	\$ 649,498.00	10.7%
LVG/LVFT	\$ 752,483.00	12.6%
LVG-QFCP	\$ -	0%

On March 18, 2020, in Order No. 9563, the Commission, pursuant to 26 *Del. C.* § 306(a) (1), suspended the effect of the proposed new rates and tariff revisions pending further investigation, a public comment session, and public evidentiary hearings. However, pursuant to 26 *Del. C.* § 306(b), the Commission authorized Delmarva to place its proposed increases into effect, subject to refund, on or after September 21, 2020. A Hearing Examiner conducted a public comment session on July 16, 2020, at 6:00 p.m.

The Commission will make its decision on this matter on the basis of the record evidence taken at the public evidentiary hearings. Evidentiary hearings are conducted to

formally introduce evidence into the record and to make available for cross-examination the parties' witness testimony, including testimony that may be offered with respect to any settlement agreement that may be reached by the parties prior to the hearings. Members of the public are invited to attend the evidentiary hearings as observers, but only the parties are permitted to present or cross-examine witnesses. At the evidentiary hearings, the Hearing Examiner will consider the Application, the pre-filed and 'live' testimony of the parties and any other pertinent documents submitted by the parties, including any settlement reached by the parties prior to the hearings. The Hearing Examiner is obligated to reach a decision based upon the evidence presented at the evidentiary hearings. If a settlement agreement is reached, the evidentiary hearings will address whether it is in the public interest for the Commission to approve the Settlement Agreement. Subsequent to the evidentiary hearings, at a time not yet determined, this Application along with the Hearing Examiner's Recommendation will be considered by the Commission. The Commission may approve or reject, in whole or in part, the proposed increase and tariff revisions and may apply a different method for allocating any increase that it approves.

Persons or entities which were granted intervention in this Application may present witnesses, conduct cross-examination or introduce evidence at the evidentiary hearings. Members of the public are welcome to attend the evidentiary hearing and/or the Commission's meeting as observers, and will be able to participate in the same manner as the parties (*i.e.*, either remotely or in person, if permitted pursuant to the State of Emergency declarations) as set forth above.

You may review Delmarva's application and supporting documents by going to DelaFile (<http://delafile.delaware.gov>), the Commission's docketing and file management system, and by

searching for Docket No. 20-0150. If you would like to review documents at the Commission's offices, please contact Donna Nickerson at (302) 736-7500 or send an email addressed to [donna.nickerson@delaware.gov](mailto:donna.nickerson@delaware.gov). You may also review copies of Delmarva's application and supporting documents at the offices of the Division of the Public Advocate located at 820 North French Street, 4th Floor, Wilmington, Delaware 19801 and at 29 South State Street, Dover, Delaware 19901. Please call either (302) 577-5077 or (302) 241-2555 (Dover) to arrange for a time to review the documents at either of those locations.

If you wish to request copies of documents in this matter, please submit a Freedom of Information Act Request Form. The link to this form can be found on the Commission's website, <https://depsec.delaware.gov>, or by visiting this web address: <https://delafile.delaware.gov/Complaints/FOIA.aspx>. The Commission will respond to your request in accordance with the Delaware Freedom of Information Act, *29 Del. C. ch. 100*.

If you have a disability and wish to participate or to review the materials in this matter, please contact the Commission to discuss any auxiliary aids or services you might need to help you. You may contact the Commission in person, by writing, by telephone (including text telephone), by email, or other means.

If you have questions about this matter, you may call the Commission at 1-800-282-8574 (toll-free in Delaware) or (302) 736-7500 (voice and text telephone). You may also send questions regarding this matter by Internet e-mail addressed to [psc@delaware.gov](mailto:psc@delaware.gov) with "Docket No. 20-0150" in the subject line.