## 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. 22-0897
AN INCREASE IN ELECTRIC BASE RATES	)	
(FILED DECEMBER 15, 2022)	)	

## NOTICE OF PUBLIC EVIDENTIARY HEARINGS

## TO: ELECTRIC CUSTOMERS OF DELMARVA POWER & LIGHT COMPANY:

A Hearing Examiner appointed by the Delaware Public Service Commission (the "Commission") will conduct public evidentiary hearings concerning the above-captioned case as follows: beginning at 10:00 a.m. on Monday, December 4, 2023, at the Commission's office, at 861 Silver Lake Blvd, Dover, Delaware, and continuing from day to day until concluded.

On December 15, 2022, Delmarva Power & Light Company ("Delmarva" or the "Company") filed with the Commission an application ("Application") seeking approval of an increase in its electric base rates. On September 29, 2023, Delmarva updated the December 15, 2022 Application to include twelve (12) months of actual data and zero (0) months of forecasted data for the twelve months ending June 30, 2023, and is seeking approval of: (1) certain changes to its electric tariff as described in the Application; and (2) an overall increase in its electric base rates of \$53,744,356, which includes \$14.4 million for the Distribution System Improvement Charge ("DSIC") that is already reflected in customer bills. Customer bills include charges for Distribution, Supply, and Transmission, and the \$53,744,356 requested increase – which pertains to Distribution only – equates to an average of 8.2% overall rate increase, or a 20.4% increase over current Distribution-related rates. A residential customer using an average of 811 kWh per month would see a monthly bill increase of \$6.19 or 5.08%, from \$121.91 to \$128.10.

The following is a breakdown by service classification of Delmarva's proposed increases, which include the revenues currently recovered through its DSIC:

Service Classification	Full Proposed Request (Incl. DSIC) (\$)	Percent Increase (Incl. DSIC) (%)
RES-TOU	\$11,935	7.0%
RES and RES-PIV	\$21,503,638	7.4%
RSH	\$12,155,900	9.2%
SGS-S	\$3,379,589	10.9%
MGS-S	\$6,115,565	6.6%
GS-SH	\$67,045	5.1%
GS-WH	\$2,297	6.5%
ORL	\$4,399	8.8%
LGS-S	\$1,631,082	8.9%
GS-P	\$6,371,205	8.6%
GS-T <sup>1</sup>	\$74,784	1.7%
OL	\$2,426,918	16.6%

On February 1, 2023, in Order No. 10168, the Commission, pursuant to 26 *Del. C.* § 306(a)(1), suspended the effect of the proposed new rates and tariff revisions pending further investigation, public comment sessions, and public evidentiary hearings. However, pursuant to 26 *Del. C.* § 306(b) and Order No. 10168, the Commission authorized Delmarva to place its proposed rate into effect, subject to refund, seven months after the initial filing date, which Delmarva did on July 15, 2023.

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' witnesses' 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

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> GS-T Total Booked Revenue without tax includes \$2,393,334 related to the prior-period billing adjustment recorded in May 2023. The Company removed the prior-period dollar impact from the Test Period revenues in this rate case.

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. 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. 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 it approves.

You may review Delmarva's Application and supporting documents by going to DelaFile (<a href="https://delafile.delaware.gov">https://delafile.delaware.gov</a>), the Commission's docketing and file management system, and searching for Docket No. 22-0897. If you would like to review documents at the Commission's offices, please contact Crystal Beenick at (302) 736-7500 or send an email addressed to <a href="mailto:crystal.beenick@delaware.gov">crystal.beenick@delaware.gov</a>.

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 by visiting this web address: <a href="https://sos.delaware.gov/foia-requests/">https://sos.delaware.gov/foia-requests/</a>. 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 <a href="mailto:psc@delaware.gov">psc@delaware.gov</a> with "Docket No. 22-0897" in the subject line.