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APPLICATION OF

VIRGINIA ELECTRIC AND POWER COMPANY

CASE NO. PUE-2014-00025

For approval and certification of electric transmission facilities for the Remington CT-Warrenton 230 kV Double Circuit Transmission Line, Vint Hill-Wheeler and Wheeler-Loudoun 230 kV Transmission Lines, 230 kV Vint Hill Switching Station, and 230 kV Wheeler Switching Station

ORDER FOR NOTICE AND HEARING

On March 31, 2014, Virginia Electric and Power Company ("Dominion Virginia Power" or "Company") filed with the State Corporation Commission ("Commission") an application for a certificate of public convenience and necessity for the Remington CT-Warrenton 230 kilovolt ("kV") double circuit transmission line, Vint Hill-Wheeler and Wheeler-Loudoun 230 kV transmission lines, 230 kV Vint Hill Switching Station, and 230 kV Wheeler Switching Station ("Application").

According to the Application, the Company proposes to: (i) replace the existing 230 kV single circuit radial transmission line between its Remington CT Switching Station ("Remington CT Station") and its Warrenton Substation, which is located entirely in Fauquier County, with a double circuit 230 kV transmission line; (ii) expand the existing Warrenton Substation in Fauquier County within the existing property lines; and (iii) add one 230 kV breaker and associated equipment, in order to network the two 230 kV transmission lines between Remington CT Station and Warrenton Substation (collectively referred to by the Company as the

"Remington CT-Warrenton Double Circuit 230 kV Line").<sup>1</sup> The proposed in-service date for the Remington CT-Warrenton Double Circuit 230 kV Line is summer of 2018.<sup>2</sup>

Dominion Virginia Power also proposes to: (i) construct a 230 kV Vint Hill Switching Station ("Vint Hill Station") in Prince William County; (ii) construct a 230 kV Wheeler Switching Station ("Wheeler Station") in Prince William County; (iii) construct a new 230 kV single circuit overhead transmission line to run approximately 5.5 miles from the Company's proposed Vint Hill Station to the Company's proposed Wheeler Station located entirely in Prince William County on double circuit structures; (iv) purchase, uprate, and convert from 115 kV to 230 kV Northern Virginia Electric Cooperative's ("NOVEC") Line #922 that currently connects NOVEC's Wheeler Substation to NOVEC's Gainesville Delivery Point, located entirely in Prince William County;<sup>3</sup> and (v) convert its existing 115 kV Gainesville-Loudoun Line #124 to 230 kV operation, located in Prince William and Loudoun Counties (collectively referred to by the Company as the "Vint Hill-Wheeler-Loudoun 230 kV Lines").<sup>4</sup> The proposed in-service date for the Vint Hill-Wheeler-Loudoun 230 kV Lines is summer of 2017.<sup>5</sup> The proposed Remington CT-Warrenton Double Circuit 230 kV Line and Vint Hill-Wheeler-Loudoun 230 kV Lines are referred to collectively by the Company as the "Projects."<sup>6</sup>

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<sup>1</sup> Application at 2.

<sup>2</sup> *Id.* at 3.

<sup>3</sup> The Company represents that it will submit a separate Utility Transfers Act (Va. Code § 56-88 *et seq.*) joint application to the Commission for approval of the transfer of NOVEC's facilities to Dominion Virginia Power. *Id.* at 8.

<sup>4</sup> *Id.* at 2-3.

<sup>5</sup> *Id.* at 3.

<sup>6</sup> *Id.*

Dominion Virginia Power estimates that it will take 16 months to construct the proposed Projects.<sup>7</sup> The Company also states that it will need 12 months for engineering, material procurement, right-of-way acquisition, and construction permitting for the proposed Projects.<sup>8</sup>

The Company asserts that the Remington CT-Warrenton Double Circuit 230 kV Line is necessary to ensure Dominion Virginia Power can continue to provide reliable electric service to its customers served from the Company's Warrenton Substation, consistent with mandatory North American Electric Reliability Corporation reliability standards for transmission facilities as well as the Company's planning criteria.<sup>9</sup>

According to the Company, the Vint Hill-Wheeler-Loudoun 230 kV Lines are necessary to ensure that Dominion Virginia Power can continue to provide reliable electric service to its customers served from the Company's Gainesville Substation, including NOVEC's Line #922 and its 26,519 customers sourced from the Gainesville Substation.<sup>10</sup>

The need for the proposed Projects' facilities is also being driven by continued load growth in the Northern Virginia area and anticipated block load additions.<sup>11</sup> Dominion Virginia Power states that the Projects' proposed facilities will afford the best means of meeting the continuing need for reliable service while reasonably minimizing adverse impact on scenic, environmental, and historic assets of the area.<sup>12</sup>

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<sup>7</sup> *Id.*

<sup>8</sup> *Id.*

<sup>9</sup> *Id.* at 3-4.

<sup>10</sup> *Id.* at 4-5.

<sup>11</sup> *Id.* at 5.

<sup>12</sup> *Id.* at 8.

According to Dominion Virginia Power, the approximately 11.7-mile double circuit 230 kV line between Remington CT Station and Warrenton Substation will be built entirely within the existing 100-foot right-of-way, which is already cleared and utilized as an electric transmission corridor for existing Line #2086.<sup>13</sup> Dominion Virginia Power also represents that the new approximately 5.5-mile Vint Hill-Wheeler 230 kV transmission line will be built using a combination of existing and new right-of-way approximately 100 feet wide.<sup>14</sup> The line will require approximately 3.4 miles of new right-of-way and approximately 2.1 miles of the existing right-of-way of NOVEC's Line #922, which will be wrecked and rebuilt on double circuit steel poles over that 2.1-mile segment.<sup>15</sup> In addition to its proposed route, the Company presents two alternative routes and three minor routing adjustments for the Commission's consideration.<sup>16</sup> The Company also proposes to uprate and convert NOVEC's existing Line #922 to 230 kV and convert its Line #124 to 230 kV to create a Vint Hill-Wheeler-Loudoun 230 kV network.<sup>17</sup>

The Company also presents an electrical alternative to the proposed Projects that is located entirely within existing rights-of-way (referred to by the Company as the "Existing Corridor Rebuild Option").<sup>18</sup> The Existing Corridor Rebuild Option includes the same double circuit 230 kV line between Remington CT Station and Warrenton Substation as the proposed Projects and the replacement of NOVEC's existing Line #922 with double circuit 230 kV lines.

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<sup>13</sup> *Id.* at 6.

<sup>14</sup> *Id.*

<sup>15</sup> *Id.*

<sup>16</sup> *Id.*

<sup>17</sup> *Id.* at 6-7.

<sup>18</sup> *Id.* at 7.

The Company states that this alternative is less robust than the proposed Projects and that, therefore, it rejected this alternative.<sup>19</sup>

The Company estimates the total cost of the proposed Projects using the proposed routes to be \$109.3 million (2014 dollars).<sup>20</sup>

As provided by § 62.1-44.15:21 D 2 of the Code, the Commission and the State Water Control Board ("Board") must consult on wetland impacts prior to the siting of electric utility facilities that require a certificate of public convenience and necessity. Acting on behalf of the Board, the Department of Environmental Quality ("DEQ") must prepare a Wetland Impacts Consultation on this Application, as is required by the Code and the Department of Environmental Quality - State Corporation Commission Memorandum of Agreement Regarding Consultation on Wetland Impacts ("Wetland Impacts Memorandum").<sup>21</sup> The Commission Staff ("Staff") has requested the Office of Wetlands & Stream Protection, Department of Environmental Quality, to provide a Wetland Impacts Consultation for the proposed Projects.<sup>22</sup>

In addition to the consultation on wetlands, §§ 10.1-1186.2:1 B and 56-46.1 G of the Code direct the Commission and the DEQ to coordinate reviews of the environmental impact of proposed generating plants and associated facilities. Pursuant to the Code and the Department of Environmental Quality - State Corporation Commission Memorandum of Agreement Regarding Coordination of Reviews of the Environmental Impacts of Proposed Electric Generating Plants

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<sup>19</sup> *Id.*

<sup>20</sup> *Id.*

<sup>21</sup> *In the matter of receiving comments on a draft memorandum of agreement between the State Water Control Board and the State Corporation Commission*, Case No. PUE-2003-00114, Order Distributing Memorandum of Agreement, 2003 S.C.C. Ann. Rept. 474 (July 30, 2003).

<sup>22</sup> Letter from Alisson P. Klaiber, Esquire, State Corporation Commission, dated Apr. 2, 2014, to David L. Davis, Department of Environmental Quality, filed in Case No. PUE-2014-00025.

and Associated Facilities ("Environmental Impact Memorandum"),<sup>23</sup> the Commission must receive and consider reports on the proposed facilities from state environmental agencies. Accordingly, the Staff has requested the DEQ to coordinate an environmental review of the proposed Projects by the appropriate agencies and to provide a report on the review.<sup>24</sup>

NOW THE COMMISSION, upon consideration of the Application and applicable statutes, finds that this matter should be docketed and the Company should give notice of its Application to interested persons and the public. The Commission also finds that, as required by § 62.1-44.15:21 D 2 and related provisions of the Code and the Wetland Impacts Memorandum, Staff has requested the DEQ to commence its wetland impacts review. Moreover, Staff has requested the DEQ to commence its coordinated environmental review pursuant to §§ 10.1-1186.2:1 B and 56-46.1 G and related provisions of the Code and the Environmental Impact Memorandum. We also find that a procedural schedule should be established to allow any interested person an opportunity to file comments on the Application or to participate in this proceeding as a respondent; and the Staff should be directed to investigate the Application and file testimony and exhibits containing its findings and recommendations thereon. We further find that public hearings should be scheduled for the purpose of receiving testimony and evidence on the Application. Finally, we find that this matter should be assigned to a Hearing Examiner to conduct all further proceedings in this matter on behalf of the Commission.

Accordingly, IT IS ORDERED THAT:

- (1) This matter is docketed and assigned Case No. PUE-2014-00025.

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<sup>23</sup> *In the matter of receiving comments on a draft memorandum of agreement between the Department Of Environmental Quality and the State Corporation Commission*, Case No. PUE-2002-00315, Order Distributing Memorandum of Agreement, 2002 S.C.C. Ann. Rept. 559 (Aug. 14, 2002).

<sup>24</sup> Letter from Alisson P. Klaiber, Esquire, State Corporation Commission, dated Apr. 2, 2014, to Richard Weeks, Department of Environmental Quality, filed in Case No. PUE-2014-00025.

(2) As provided by § 12.1-31 of the Code and 5 VAC 5-20-120, *Procedure before hearing examiners*, of the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure ("Rules of Practice"),<sup>25</sup> a Hearing Examiner is appointed to conduct all further proceedings in this matter on behalf of the Commission and to file a final report.

(3) A public local hearing shall be convened on August 20, 2014, at 4 p.m. and reconvening at 7 p.m., at Patriot High School, 10504 Kettle Run Road, Nokesville, Virginia, to receive testimony on the Company's Application from public witnesses participating as provided by 5 VAC 5-20-80 C, *Public witnesses*, of the Rules of Practice.

(4) A public evidentiary hearing on the Application shall be convened on September 30, 2014, at 10 a.m., in the Commission's courtroom, Second Floor, Tyler Building, 1300 East Main Street, Richmond, Virginia, to receive the testimony of public witnesses and the evidence of the Company, any respondents, and Staff. Any person desiring to offer testimony as a public witness at this evidentiary hearing should appear in the Commission's courtroom fifteen (15) minutes prior to the starting time of the hearing and identify himself or herself to the Commission's Bailiff.

(5) A copy of the Application may be obtained by submitting a written request to counsel for the Company, Charlotte P. McAfee, Esquire, Dominion Resources Services, Inc., 120 Tredegar Street, Richmond, Virginia 23219. If acceptable to the requesting party, the Company may provide the documents by electronic means. Copies of the public version of all documents also shall be available for interested persons to review in the Commission's Document Control Center, located on the first floor of the Tyler Building, 1300 East Main Street, Richmond, Virginia, between the hours of 8:15 a.m. and 5 p.m., Monday through Friday,

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<sup>25</sup> 5 VAC 5-20-10 *et seq.*

excluding holidays. Interested persons also may download unofficial copies from the Commission's website: <http://www.scc.virginia.gov/case>.

(6) On or before June 24, 2014, Dominion Virginia Power shall cause to be sent by first class mail a copy of the notice and sketch map prescribed in Ordering Paragraph (7) to all owners, as of the date of this Order, of property within the proposed and alternate routes, including adjustments, of the proposed Projects, and routes of the Existing Corridor Rebuild Option, as indicated on the map or sketch of the routes filed with the Commission, which requirement shall be satisfied by mailing to such persons at such addresses as are indicated in the land books maintained by the commissioner of revenue, director of finance, treasurer, or other officer of the county or municipality designated as provided by § 58.1-3100 *et seq.* of the Code.

(7) On or before June 24, 2014, Dominion Virginia Power shall publish in two (2) successive weeks the following notice and the sketch map of the proposed and alternate routes appearing in the Application Appendix at page 190 as display advertising (not classified) in a newspaper or newspapers of general circulation in every county or municipality through which the proposed Projects are proposed to be built:

NOTICE TO THE PUBLIC OF  
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ELECTRIC TRANSMISSION FACILITIES FOR THE  
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TRANSMISSION LINE, VINT HILL-WHEELER AND  
WHEELER-LOUDOUN 230 KV TRANSMISSION LINES,  
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double circuit 230 kV line between Remington CT Station and Warrenton Substation as the proposed Projects and the replacement of NOVEC's existing Line #922 with double circuit 230 kV lines. The Company states that this alternative is less robust than the proposed Projects and that, therefore, it rejected this alternative.

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### **Transmission Line Routes for the Proposed Projects**

#### **Remington CT-Warrenton 230 kV double circuit line**

The existing 11.7-mile Remington CT-Warrenton 230 kV single circuit line would be replaced with a 230 kV double circuit line on the existing 100-foot wide right-of-way between the Remington CT Station and Warrenton Substation in Fauquier County. In addition, to maintain electrical service to the Warrenton Substation during construction, a temporary 230 kV line would be constructed on a temporary right-of-way easement 20 feet wide along most of the length and on the east side of the existing right-of-way.

The route is described beginning at the Remington CT Station on Lucky Hill Rd. (State Route 655) in southern Fauquier County. Leaving the Remington CT Station, the route travels generally north for 11.7 miles to the Warrenton Substation. It crosses Lucky Hill Rd.; Remington Rd. (SR 656); Maplewood Dr. (SR 1121); Catlett Rd. (SR 28) and the surrounding subdivisions of Edgewood East and Fox Meade; Oak Shade Rd. (SR 661) and the Meadowbrooke Subdivision; Covingtons Corner Rd. (SR 663); Marsh Rd. (US Route 17) near the location where the new southbound ramp from James Madison Hwy. (US 15/29) enters Marsh Rd.; Anchor Ct. and Pomeroy Ln.; travels around the Aviacres Airfield; crosses Green Meadows Rd. (SR 801), Beach Rd. (SR 616) and Bingham Rd.; skirts the east side of the Fauquier County Landfill; crosses the Stafford Connector Trl. and Meetze Rd. (SR 643); and enters the existing Warrenton Substation on Old Auburn Rd. (SR 670). The Warrenton Substation would be expanded within the station's existing land parcel boundaries.

#### **Vint Hill-Wheeler 230 kV line: Route C-1.1**

This 5.5-mile route is totally within Prince William County. It is described beginning at the proposed Wheeler Station, which

would be constructed on the eastern side of NOVEC's existing Wheeler Substation located on Vint Hill Rd. (SR 215). The first 2.1 miles of the route coincides with NOVEC's existing single-circuit Gainesville-Wheeler Line #922, over which distance Line #922 would be removed and replaced with a double-circuit 230 kV transmission line that would carry the Vint Hill-Wheeler 230 kV line. These 2.1 miles of existing 100-foot wide right-of-way cross Burwell Rd. (SR 604) and a finger of Lake Manassas to a point very near the Lake Manassas dam (Broad Run dam), at which point the route bears east-southeasterly leaving the existing Line #922 right-of-way travelling 3.4 miles on new 100-foot wide right-of-way crossing Glenkirk Rd. (SR 675) between Rollins Ford Park and the City of Manassas water treatment plant; skirting the south side of the water treatment plant; turning southeast to cross Vint Hill Rd. and Owls Nest Rd. (SR 658); turning east across Reid Ln. (SR 657); and entering the proposed Vint Hill Station located in the southeast quadrant of the Vint Hill Rd. and Reid Ln. intersection.

#### Route Adjustment C-1.1a

This is a slight realignment of the proposed Vint Hill-Wheeler 230 kV line Route C1.1 between Rollins Ford Rd. and Vint Hill Rd. that straightens that portion of the route. It departs from Route C-1.1 bearing southeasterly just prior to crossing the newly constructed Rollins Ford Rd.; travels on the north side of Vint Hill Rd. for a short distance to rejoin Route C1.1 just prior to its crossing of Vint Hill Rd.

#### Route Adjustment C-1.1b

This is a slight realignment of the proposed Vint Hill-Wheeler 230 kV line Route C1.1 between Rollins Ford Rd. and Vint Hill Rd. It departs from Route C1.1 and bears southeasterly just prior to crossing the newly constructed Rollins Ford Rd.; follows the east side of Rollins Ford Rd. to Vint Hill Road; travels on the north side of Vint Hill Rd. to rejoin Route C1.1 just prior to its crossing of Vint Hill Rd.

Due to the scale of the map, these two Route Adjustments do not appear on the map.

### Wheeler-Loudoun 230 kV line

This 13.8-mile route is in Prince William County except for the last 0.5 mile, which is in Loudoun County. It is described beginning at the proposed Wheeler Station, which would be located on the eastern side of NOVEC's existing Wheeler Substation located on Vint Hill Rd. (SR 215). The first 6.0 miles coincide with NOVEC's existing single-circuit Gainesville-Wheeler Line #922, which is on a 100-foot wide right-of-way over which for the first 2.1 miles the Wheeler-Loudoun 230 kV line would share the proposed double-circuit 230 kV line structures with the Vint Hill-Wheeler 230 kV line. Over the next 3.9 miles, the Wheeler-Loudoun 230 kV line would utilize the existing single-circuit Gainesville-Wheeler Line #922, which is currently being operated at 115 kV, but was constructed to accommodate 230 kV. Over that 3.9-mile distance, the existing Line #922 right-of-way crosses Glenkirk Rd. (SR 675), Hamill Run Dr., Ellis Mill Dr., Song Sparrow Dr., Sharpshinned Dr., Estate Manor Dr. (SR 3513), Bridlewood Dr. (SR 2974), Harness Shop Rd. (SR 2970), Linton Hall Rd. (SR 619), Arto St. (SR 2719), Wellington Rd. (SR 674), and Piney Branch Ln. (SR 698).

The proposed Wheeler-Loudoun line would bypass the Gainesville Substation and continue 7.8 miles to Loudoun Station utilizing an existing 115 kV line that is capable of operating at 230 kV. Between Gainesville Substation and Loudoun Station, the existing right-of-way crosses Randolph Ridge Ln., Prince William Pkwy. (SR 234 and 7), Cushing Rd. (SR 781), Interstate 66, Pageland Ln. (SR 705), Lee Hwy. (US 29), Sudley Rd. (SR 234), and Boxwood Farm Dr. (SR 2018).

### Alternative Routes for the Vint Hill-Wheeler 230 kV line

#### Vint Hill-Wheeler 230 kV line: Alternative Route C-1.2

This 5.8-mile route is totally within Prince William County. It is described beginning at the proposed Wheeler Station, which would be located on the eastern side of NOVEC's existing Wheeler Substation located on Vint Hill Rd. (SR 215). The first 1.9 miles of the route coincide with NOVEC's existing single-circuit Gainesville-Wheeler Line #922, over which distance Line #922 would be removed and replaced with a double-circuit 230 kV transmission line that would carry the Vint Hill-Wheeler 230 kV line on one side of its line structures. These 1.9 miles of existing 100-foot wide right-of-way cross Burwell Rd. (SR 604) and a

finger of Lake Manassas to a point near the Lake Manassas dam at which point the route turns southeasterly to continue for 3.9 miles on new 100-foot wide right-of-way over which distance it crosses Glenkirk Rd. (SR 675); travels on the western side of Rollins Ford Park through the Spittle Property Subdivision crossing Boley Pl.; turns east to cross Vint Hill Road east of the Prince William Golf Club; traverses easterly across farmland, turns southeast to cross Owls Nest Road (SR 658), turns east across Reid Ln. (SR 657); and enters the proposed Vint Hill Station located in the southeast quadrant of the Vint Hill Rd. and Reid Ln. intersection.

#### Route Adjustment C-1.2a

This realignment of alternative route C-1.2 diverges from route C-1.2 before it crosses Vint Hill Rd. east of the Prince William Golf Club, and instead follows the north side of Vint Hill Rd.; crosses Rollins Ford Rd.; and joins proposed route C1.1 just prior to its crossing of Vint Hill Rd.

#### Vint Hill-Wheeler 230 kV line: Alternative Route C-2

This 6.2-mile long route is in Prince William and Fauquier Counties on all new right-of-way. It is described beginning at the proposed Wheeler Station, which would be located on the eastern side of NOVEC's existing Wheeler Substation located on Vint Hill Rd. (SR 215). The route leaves the Wheeler Station in a southern direction; crosses Vint Hill Rd.; enters Fauquier County and parallels for a short distance the north side of Rogues Rd. (SR 602) before crossing Rogues Road; turns southeast, crossing Greenwich Rd. (SR 603); parallels for a short distance Fitzwater Dr. (SR 652) as it re-enters Prince William County; crosses Burwell Rd. (SR 604) near its intersection with Fitzwater Rd.; crosses Manley Rd. (SR 672); crosses Lonesome Rd. (SR 708); follows the north side of Kettle Run for a short distance; turns north, then east; crosses Reid Ln. (SR 657); and enters the proposed Vint Hill Station located in the southeast quadrant of the Vint Hill Rd. and Reid Ln. intersection.

#### **Transmission Line Routes for the Electrical Alternative (Existing Corridor Rebuild Option)**

##### Remington CT-Warrenton 230 kV line

The 230 kV double circuit line route between Remington CT Station and Warrenton Substation is the same as in the proposed Projects.

### Wheeler-Loudoun and Wheeler-Gainesville 230 kV lines

The Wheeler-Loudoun 230 kV line is the same as in the proposed Projects, and is also the route of the Wheeler-Gainesville line to its termination at the Gainesville Substation. The two lines would occupy a proposed double-circuit 230 kV line that would replace NOVEC's single-circuit Gainesville-Wheeler Line #922, which is on an existing 100-foot wide, 6.1-mile right-of-way. The Wheeler-Loudoun 230 kV line would bypass the Gainesville Substation and continue 7.8 miles to Loudoun Station utilizing an existing 115 kV line that is capable of operating at 230 kV.

The Commission entered an Order for Notice and Hearing in this proceeding that, among other things, scheduled public hearings in Nokesville and Richmond, Virginia. A local public hearing will be convened on August 20, 2014, at 4 p.m. and reconvening at 7 p.m., at Patriot High School, 10504 Kettle Run Road, Nokesville, Virginia 20181, for the sole purpose of receiving testimony of public witnesses. The public hearing will resume on September 30, 2014, at 10 a.m., in the Commission's second floor courtroom located in the Tyler Building, 1300 East Main Street, Richmond, Virginia 23219, to receive testimony from members of the public and evidence related to the Application from the Company, any respondents, and the Commission's Staff. Any person desiring to testify as a public witness at this hearing should appear fifteen (15) minutes prior to the starting time of the hearing and contact the Commission's Bailiff. Individuals with disabilities who require an accommodation to participate in the hearing should contact the Commission at least seven (7) days before the scheduled hearing at 1-800-552-7945 (voice) or 1-804-371-9206 (TDD).

Copies of the Application and documents filed in this case are available for interested persons to review in the Commission's Document Control Center, located on the first floor of the Tyler Building, 1300 East Main Street, Richmond, Virginia 23219, between the hours of 8:15 a.m. and 5 p.m., Monday through Friday, excluding holidays. Interested persons also may download unofficial copies from the Commission's website: <http://www.scc.virginia.gov/case>.

Copies of the Application and other supporting materials may also be inspected during regular business hours at the following locations:

Dominion Virginia Power  
Attn: Liz Harper or Diana Faison  
701 E. Cary Street, OJRP 12th Floor  
Richmond, Virginia 23219

Fauquier County Planning Department  
Community Development  
29 Ashby Street, Suite 310  
Warrenton, Virginia 20186

Prince William County Planning Department  
5 County Complex Court, Suite 210  
Prince William, Virginia 22192

Persons also may obtain a copy of the Application by submitting a written request to counsel for the Company, Charlotte P. McAfee, Dominion Resources Services, Inc., 120 Tredegar Street, Richmond, Virginia 23219. If acceptable to the requesting party, the Company may provide the documents by electronic means.

Any person or entity may participate as a respondent in this proceeding by filing, on or before July 22, 2014, a notice of participation. If not filed electronically, an original and fifteen (15) copies of the notice of participation shall be submitted to Joel H. Peck, Clerk, State Corporation Commission, c/o Document Control Center, P.O. Box 2118, Richmond, Virginia 23218-2118. A copy of the notice of participation as a respondent also must be sent to counsel for the Company at the address set forth above. Pursuant to Rule 5 VAC 5-20-80 B, *Participation as a respondent*, of the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure, any notice of participation shall set forth: (i) a precise statement of the interest of the respondent; (ii) a statement of the specific action sought to the extent then known; and (iii) the factual and legal basis for the action. All filings shall refer to Case No. PUE-2014-00025. For additional information about participation as a respondent, any person or entity should obtain a copy of the Commission's Order for Notice and Hearing.

On or before September 23, 2014, any interested person wishing to comment on the Application shall file written comments on the Application with the Clerk of the Commission at the address set forth above. Any interested person desiring to file comments electronically may do so on or before September 23, 2014, by following the instructions on the Commission's website: <http://www.scc.virginia.gov/case>. Compact discs or any other



form of electronic storage medium may not be filed with the comments. All such comments shall refer to Case No. PUE-2014-00025.

The Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure may be viewed at <http://www.scc.virginia.gov/case>. A printed copy of the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure and an official copy of the Commission's Order for Notice and Hearing in this proceeding may be obtained from the Clerk of the Commission at the address set forth above.

VIRGINIA ELECTRIC AND POWER COMPANY

(8) On or before June 24, 2014, Dominion Virginia Power shall serve a copy of this Order on the chairman of the board of supervisors or mayor of every county, city, and town through which the Projects proposed in this case are to be built. Dominion Virginia Power shall serve these persons by first class mail or delivery to the customary place of business of the person served.

(9) On or before July 8, 2014, the Company shall file proof of the notice and service required by Ordering Paragraphs (6), (7), and (8), including the name, title, and address of each official served with Joel H. Peck, Clerk, State Corporation Commission, c/o Document Control Center, First Floor, Tyler Building, 1300 East Main Street, Richmond, Virginia 23219.

(10) On or before September 23, 2014, any interested person may file written comments on the Application with the Clerk of the Commission at the address set forth in Ordering Paragraph (9). Any interested person desiring to submit comments electronically may do so on or before September 23, 2014, by following the instructions found on the Commission's website: <http://www.scc.virginia.gov/case>. Compact discs or any other form of electronic storage medium may not be filed with the comments. All comments shall refer to Case No. PUE-2014-00025.

(11) On or before July 22, 2014, any person or entity may participate as a respondent in this proceeding by filing a notice of participation. If not filed electronically, an original and fifteen (15) copies of the notice of participation shall be submitted to the Clerk of the Commission at the address set forth in Ordering Paragraph (9), and the respondent simultaneously shall serve a copy of the notice of participation on counsel to the Company at the address in Ordering Paragraph (5). Pursuant to Rule 5 VAC 5-20-80 B, *Participation as a respondent*, of the Commission's Rules of Practice, any notice of participation shall set forth: (i) a precise statement of the interest of the respondent; (ii) a statement of the specific action sought to the extent then known; and (iii) the factual and legal basis for the action. Any organization, corporation or government body participating as a respondent must be represented by counsel as required by 5 VAC 5-20-30, *Counsel*, of the Rules of Practice. All filings shall refer to Case No. PUE-2014-00025.

(12) Within five (5) business days of receipt of a notice of participation as a respondent, the Company shall serve upon each respondent a copy of this Order for Notice and Hearing, a copy of the Application, and all materials filed by the Company with the Commission, unless these materials have already been provided to the respondent.

(13) On or before August 12, 2014, each respondent may file with the Clerk of the Commission at the address set forth in Paragraph (9) and serve on the Staff, the Company, and all other respondents, any testimony and exhibits by which the respondent expects to establish its case. If not filed electronically, an original and fifteen (15) copies of such testimony and exhibits shall be submitted to the Clerk of the Commission. In all filings, the respondent shall comply with the Commission's Rules of Practice, including, but not limited to: 5 VAC 5-20-140, *Filing*

and service; 5 VAC 5-20-150, *Copies and format*; and 5 VAC 5-20-240, *Prepared testimony and exhibits*. All filings shall refer to Case No. PUE-2014-00025.

(14) The Staff shall investigate the Application. On or before September 5, 2014, the Staff shall file with the Clerk of the Commission an original and fifteen (15) copies of testimony and exhibits concerning the Application and shall serve a copy thereof on counsel to the Company and all respondents.

(15) On or before September 16, 2014, the Company may file with the Clerk of the Commission any rebuttal testimony and exhibits that it expects to offer and simultaneously shall serve a copy on the Staff and all respondents. If not filed electronically, an original and fifteen (15) copies of such rebuttal testimony and exhibits shall be submitted to the Clerk of the Commission at the address set forth in Ordering Paragraph (9).

(16) The Commission's Rule of Practice 5 VAC 5-20-260, *Interrogatories or requests for production of documents and things*, shall be modified for this proceeding as follows: responses and objections to written interrogatories and requests for production of documents shall be served within seven (7) business days after receipt of the same. In addition to the service requirements of 5 VAC 5-20-260 of the Rules of Practice, on the day that copies are filed with the Clerk of the Commission, a copy of the interrogatory or request for production shall be served electronically, or by facsimile, on the party to whom the interrogatory or request for production is directed or the assigned Staff attorney, if the interrogatory or request for production is directed to Staff.<sup>26</sup> Except as modified above, discovery shall be in accordance with Part IV of the Commission's Rules of Practice, 5 VAC 5-20-240 *et seq.*

(17) This matter is continued.

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<sup>26</sup> The assigned Staff attorney is identified on the Commission's website, <http://www.scc.virginia.gov/case>, by clicking "Docket Search" and entering the case number, PUE-2014-00025, in the appropriate box.

AN ATTESTED COPY hereof shall be sent by the Clerk of the Commission to: Lisa S. Booth, Esquire, and Charlotte P. McAfee, Esquire, Dominion Resources Services, Inc., 120 Tredegar Street, Richmond, Virginia 23219; Vishwa B. Link, Esquire, and Jennifer D. Valaika, Esquire, McGuireWoods LLP, One James Center, 901 East Cary Street, Richmond, Virginia 23219-4030; and C. Meade Browder, Jr., Senior Assistant Attorney General, Office of the Attorney General, Division of Consumer Counsel, 900 East Main Street, Second Floor, Richmond, Virginia 23219; and a copy shall be delivered to the Commission's Office of General Counsel and Divisions of Energy Regulation and Utility Accounting and Finance.