COMMONWEALTH OF VIRGINIA

STATE CORPORATION COMMISSION

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PETITION OF

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APPALACHIAN POWER COMPANY

CASE NO. PUR-2024-00009

To determine the appropriate treatment of renewable energy certificates associated with certain customers

PETITION OF

VIRGINIA ELECTRIC AND POWER COMPANY

CASE NO. PUR-2024-00010

For determination regarding the treatment of renewable energy customers' renewable energy certificates for purposes of RPS Program compliance

ORDER FOR NOTICE AND HEARING

During its 2020 Session, the Virginia General Assembly enacted Chapters 1193 (HB 1526) and 1194 (SB 851) of the 2020 Virginia Acts of Assembly. These duplicate Acts of Assembly, known as the Virginia Clean Economy Act ("VCEA"), became effective on July 1, 2020. The VCEA, *inter alia*, established a mandatory renewable energy portfolio standard ("RPS") program ("RPS Program") in § 56-585.5 of the Code of Virginia ("Code"), which requires Virginia Electric and Power Company ("Dominion") and Appalachian Power Company ("APCo") to procure and retire renewable energy certificates ("RECs") for an increasing percentage of the utility's total electric energy sold in the previous calendar year.¹ The VCEA directed that all costs related to compliance with the mandatory RPS Program, including

¹ Code § 56-585.5 C.

costs related to the retirement of RECs, shall be recovered from all retail customers as a non-bypassable charge, regardless of generation supplier, with certain limited exceptions.²

Additionally, Code § 56-585.5 D requires Dominion and APCo to submit annually to the State Corporation Commission ("Commission") plans and petitions for approval of new solar and onshore wind generation capacity ("RPS Filing"). In APCo's 2023 RPS Filing, two proposals were presented relating to the proper calculation of total electric energy for the prior compliance year. The first proposal was to count the RECs from Rider WWS and Rider REC towards APCo's RPS Program compliance, and the second proposal was to remove the 100 percent renewable customers' load from the calculation of "total electric energy," thereby reducing the number of RECs required for RPS compliance.³ In its Final Order in that proceeding, the Commission found that the issue warranted additional consideration and directed APCo and Dominion to make a filing addressing these issues and presenting specific proposals for approval, including any proposed mechanism for netting the benefits of such RECs.⁴ Specifically, the Commission determined:

On or before January 16, 2024, APCo and Dominion shall make a filing, either jointly or separately, containing the proposed treatment of RECs associated with (i) customers taking service under each [utility's] voluntary renewable tariffs [("Renewable Utility Customers")] and (ii) shopping customers purchasing 100 percent renewable energy, for purposes of RPS Program compliance [("Renewable Shopping Customers")]. Such filing.

⁴ *Id.* at 9-10.

² Code § 56-585.5 F.

³ See Petition of Appalachian Power Company, For approval of its 2023 RPS Plan under § 56-585.5 of the Code of Virginia and related requests, Case No. PUR-2023-00001, Doc. Con. Cen. No. 230910123, Final Order at 8-9 (Sept. 7, 2023). Rider WWS is a voluntary tariff that allows participating APCo customers to purchase 100 percent of their energy and capacity from renewable energy as defined in Code § 56-576. Rider REC is a voluntary tariff that allows participating APCo customers to purchase of renewable energy or purchase an amount equivalent to the customer's entire monthly energy consumption, and the utility then retires RECs on behalf of participating customers.

shall include any associated proposal for netting the benefits of such RECs, including applicable tariff language.⁵

On January 16, 2024, in Case No. PUR-2024-00009, APCo submitted its petition ("APCo Petition"), which stated that the Commission should exclude the load associated with the Renewable Utility Customers and Renewable Shopping Customers from the calculation of APCo's annual RPS requirement, thereby allowing them to bypass VCEA compliance costs, if the Commission finds that approach to be permissible under current law.⁶ APCo asserts that using RECs to meet the utility's RPS requirement that have either been dedicated to one of its voluntary renewable energy riders or have been purchased by Renewable Shopping Customers is an impermissible double-counting of the RECs.⁷ Further, APCo claims that participants in voluntary renewable energy programs would effectively subsidize non-participants to meet the utility's RPS compliance requirement.⁸

Also on January 16, 2024, in Case No. PUR-2024-00010, Dominion submitted its petition ("Dominion Petition") (collectively with the APCo Petition, "Petitions") requesting that the Commission reconsider its decision in Case No. PUR-2020-00164,⁹ in which the Commission held that RPS Program compliance requires recognition of RPS eligible renewable sales from competitive service providers ("CSPs").¹⁰ Dominion requests that the Commission

7 Id.

⁸ Id. at 3.

⁵ Id. at 13.

⁶ APCo Petition at 2-3.

⁹ See Commonwealth of Virginia, ex rel. State Corporation Commission, Ex Parte: Allocating RPS costs to certain customers of Virginia Electric and Power Company, Case No. PUR-2020-00164, 2021 S.C.C. Ann. Rept. 270, Final Order (Sept. 23, 2021).

¹⁰ Dominion Petition at 6-7, 9-11.

instead find that the RECs of Renewable Shopping Customers cannot be used by the utility for its RPS Program compliance.¹¹ Dominion further asserts that, if the Commission determines that Renewable Shopping Customer RECs may be used for a utility's RPS Program compliance, their load should be deducted from the utility's calculation of "total electric energy" and they should be excluded from paying Rider RPS.¹² Dominion further states that if the RECs of Renewable Shopping Customers can be used for compliance, the RECs of other similarly-situated customers, specifically Renewable Utility Customers, should also be used to reduce the utility's compliance obligations.¹³

NOW THE COMMISSION, upon consideration of the Petitions, finds that these matters should be consolidated and docketed as Case No. PUR-2024-00010; Dominion and APCo (collectively, "Petitioners") should provide public notice of the Petitions; a hearing should be scheduled for the purpose of receiving testimony from public witnesses and evidence on the Petitions; interested persons should have an opportunity to file comments on the Petitions or to participate in this consolidated proceeding as a respondent; and the Commission's Staff ("Staff") should be directed to investigate the Petitions and file testimony and exhibits containing its findings and recommendations thereon. We also appoint a Hearing Examiner to conduct all further proceedings in this matter on behalf of the Commission, including filing a final report containing the Hearing Examiner's findings and recommendations.

¹¹ See id. at 9.

¹² See id. at 7. Rider RPS recovers from customers the portions of certain Company-owned projects' and power purchase agreements' costs attributable to RECs that are retired for RPS Program compliance, at an established REC proxy value.

¹³ See id. at 11.

To promote administrative efficiency and timely service of filings upon participants, the Commission will, among other things, direct the electronic filing of testimony and pleadings unless they contain confidential information, and require electronic service on parties to this proceeding.

Accordingly, IT IS ORDERED THAT:

(1) Case No. PUR-2024-00009 and Case No. PUR-2024-00010 are hereby consolidated for all purposes.

(2) Case No. PUR-2024-00010 shall be the surviving case.

(3) The Commission's Document Control Center is directed to file all papers heretofore filed in Case No. PUR-2024-00009 in the surviving case, Case No. PUR-2024-00010. No internal or external distribution is required of those Case No. PUR-2024-00009 documents directed to be filed in the surviving case, Case No. PUR-2024-00010.

(4) From the date hereof and forward, all pleadings, testimony, correspondence, rulings and orders relative to Case No. PUR-2024-00009 shall be filed in Case No. PUR-2024-00010.

(5) Case No. PUR-2024-00009 is hereby closed.

(6) All future filings in the consolidated case shall use the following caption style:

PETITIONS OF

APPALACHIAN POWER COMPANY

CASE NO. PUR-2024-00010

and

VIRGINIA ELECTRIC AND POWER COMPANY

For determining the treatment of renewable energy customers' renewable energy certificates for purposes of each utility's RPS Program compliance (7) All pleadings in this matter shall be submitted electronically to the extent authorized by 5 VAC 5-20-150, *Copies and format*, of the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure ("Rules of Practice").¹⁴ Confidential and Extraordinarily Sensitive Information shall not be submitted electronically and should comply with 5 VAC 5-20-170, *Confidential information*, of the Rules of Practice. Any person seeking to hand deliver and physically file or submit any pleading or other document shall contact the Clerk's Office Document Control Center at (804) 371-9838 to arrange the delivery.

(8) Pursuant to 5 VAC 5-20-140, *Filing and service*, of the Rules of Practice, the Commission directs that service on parties and the Staff in this matter shall be accomplished by electronic means. Concerning Confidential or Extraordinarily Sensitive Information, parties and the Staff are instructed to work together to agree upon the manner in which documents containing such information shall be served upon one another, to the extent practicable, in an electronically protected manner, even if such information is unable to be filed in the Office of the Clerk, so that no party or the Staff is impeded from preparing its case.

(9) As provided by Code § 12.1-31 and 5 VAC 5-20-120, *Procedure before hearing examiners*, of the Rules of Practice, a Hearing Examiner is appointed to conduct all further proceedings in this matter on behalf of the Commission, including filing a final report. A copy of each filing made with the Commission's Clerk's office in this matter shall also be sent electronically to the Office of the Hearing Examiners.¹⁵

(10) The Commission hereby schedules a telephonic hearing for the receipt of testimony from public witnesses on the Petitions, as follows:

¹⁴ 5 VAC 5-20-10 et seq.

¹⁵ Such electronic copies shall be sent to <u>OHEParalegals@scc.virginia.gov</u>.

- (a) A hearing for the receipt of testimony from public witnesses on the Petitions shall be convened telephonically at 10 a.m. on July 31, 2024.
- (b) To promote fairness for all public witnesses, each witness will be allotted five minutes to provide testimony.
- (c) On or before July 24, 2024, any person desiring to offer testimony as a public witness shall provide to the Commission (a) your name, and (b) the telephone number that you wish the Commission to call during the hearing to receive your testimony. This information may be provided to the Commission in three ways: (i) by filling out a form on the Commission's website at <u>scc.virginia.gov/pages/Webcasting</u>; (ii) by completing and emailing the PDF version of this form to <u>SCCInfo@scc.virginia.gov</u>; or (iii) by calling (804) 371-9141.
- (d) Beginning at 10 a.m. on July 31, 2024, the Hearing Examiner appointed to this case will telephone sequentially each person who has signed up to testify as provided above.
- (e) This public witness hearing will be webcast at <u>scc.virginia.gov/pages/Webcasting</u>.

(11) The evidentiary portion of the hearing on the Petitions shall be convened at 10 a.m.

on July 31, 2024, or at the conclusion of the public witness portion of the hearing, whichever is

later, in the Commission's second floor courtroom located in the Tyler Building,

1300 East Main Street, Richmond, Virginia 23219, to receive the testimony and evidence of the

Petitioners, any respondents, and the Staff.

(12) An electronic copy of the Dominion Petition may be obtained by submitting a

written request to counsel for the utility: Elaine S. Ryan, Esquire, McGuireWoods LLP,

Gateway Plaza, 800 East Canal Street, Richmond, Virginia 23219, or

eryan@mcguirewoods.com. An electronic copy of the APCo Petition may be obtained by

submitting a written request to counsel for the utility: Noelle J. Coates, Esquire, American

Electric Power Service Corporation, Three James Center, 1051 East Cary Street, Suite 1100,

Richmond, Virginia 23219, or nicoates@aep.com. Interested persons also may download

unofficial copies of the Petitions from the Commission's website:

scc.virginia.gov/pages/Case-Information.

(13) On or before February 29, 2024, the Petitioners shall cause the following notice to

be published as display advertising (not classified) on one (1) occasion in newspapers of general

circulation throughout their respective service territories within Virginia:

NOTICE TO THE PUBLIC OF PETITIONS BY VIRGINIA ELECTRIC AND POWER COMPANY AND APPALACHIAN POWER COMPANY, FOR DETERMINING THE TREATMENT OF RENEWABLE ENERGY CUSTOMERS' RENEWABLE ENERGY CERTIFICATES FOR PURPOSES OF EACH UTILITY'S RPS PROGRAM COMPLIANCE <u>CASE NO. PUR-2024-00010</u>

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> On or before January 16, 2024, APCo and Dominion shall make a filing, either jointly or separately, containing the proposed treatment of RECs associated with (i) customers taking service under each [utility's] voluntary renewable tariffs [("Renewable Utility Customers")] and (ii) shopping customers purchasing 100 percent renewable energy, for purposes of RPS Program compliance [("Renewable Shopping Customers")]. Such filing shall include any associated proposal for netting the benefits of such RECs, including applicable tariff language.

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Interested persons are encouraged to review the Petitions and supporting documents in full for details about these and other proposals.

The Commission entered an Order for Notice and Hearing in this proceeding that, among other things, consolidated the two Petitions into one case, Case No. PUR-2024-00010, and scheduled public hearings on the Petitions. A hearing for the receipt of testimony from public witnesses on the Petitions shall be convened telephonically at 10 a.m. on July 31, 2024. On or before July 24, 2024, any person desiring to offer testimony as a public witness shall provide to the Commission (a) your name, and (b) the telephone number that you wish the Commission to call during the hearing to receive your testimony. This information may be provided to the Commission in three ways: (i) by filling out a form on the Commission's website at scc.virginia.gov/pages/Webcasting; (ii) by completing and emailing the PDF version of this form to SCCInfo@scc.virginia.gov; or (iii) by calling (804) 371-9141. This public witness hearing will be webcast at scc.virginia.gov/pages/Webcasting.

Beginning at 10 a.m. on July 31, 2024, the Hearing Examiner will telephone sequentially each person who has signed up to testify as provided above.

On July 31, 2024, at 10 a.m., or at the conclusion of the public witness portion of the hearing, whichever is later, in the Commission's second floor courtroom located in the Tyler Building, 1300 East Main Street, Richmond, Virginia 23219, the Hearing Examiner will convene a hearing to receive testimony and evidence related to the Petitions from the Petitioners, any respondents, and the Commission Staff ("Staff").

To promote administrative efficiency and timely service of filings upon participants, the Commission has directed the electronic filing of testimony and pleadings, unless they contain confidential information, and required electronic service on parties to this proceeding.

An electronic copy of the Dominion Petition may be obtained by submitting a written request to counsel for the utility: Elaine S. Ryan, Esquire, McGuireWoods LLP, Gateway Plaza, 800 East Canal Street, Richmond, Virginia 23219, or <u>eryan@mcguirewoods.com</u>. An electronic copy of the APCo Petition may be obtained by submitting a written request to counsel for the utility: Noelle J. Coates, Esquire, American Electric Power Service Corporation, Three James Center, 1051 East Cary Street, Suite 1100, Richmond, Virginia 23219, or <u>njcoates@aep.com</u>. Interested persons also may download unofficial copies of the Petitions from the Commission's website: <u>scc.virginia.gov/pages/Case-Information</u>.

On or before July 24, 2024, any interested person may submit comments on the Petitions by following the instructions found on the Commission's website: <u>scc.virginia.gov/casecomments/Submit-Public-Comments</u>. Those unable, as a practical matter, to submit comments electronically may file such comments by U.S. mail to the Clerk of the State Corporation Commission, c/o Document Control Center, P.O. Box 2118, Richmond, Virginia 23218-2118. All such comments shall refer to Case No. PUR-2024-00010.

On or before March 28, 2024, any person or entity wishing to participate as a respondent in this proceeding may do so by filing a notice of participation at scc.virginia.gov/clk/efiling. Those unable, as a practical matter, to file a notice of participation electronically may file such notice by U.S. mail to the Clerk of the Commission at the address listed above. Such notice of participation shall include the email addresses of such parties or their counsel, if available. The respondent simultaneously shall serve a copy of the notice of participation on counsel to the Petitioners. Pursuant to 5 VAC 5-20-80 B, Participation as a respondent, of the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure ("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. PUR-2024-00010.

On or before June 5, 2024, each respondent may file with the Clerk of the Commission, at <u>scc.virginia.gov/clk/efiling</u>, any testimony and exhibits by which the respondent expects to establish its case. Any respondent unable, as a practical matter, to file testimony and exhibits electronically may file such by U.S. mail to the Clerk of the Commission at the address listed above. Each witness's testimony shall include a summary not to exceed one page. All testimony and exhibits shall be served on the Staff, the Petitioners, and all other respondents simultaneous with its filing. In all filings, respondents shall comply with the Rules of Practice, as modified herein, including, but not limited to: 5 VAC 5-20-140, *Filing and service*, and 5 VAC 5-20-240, *Prepared testimony and exhibits*. All filings shall refer to Case No. PUR-2024-00010.

Any documents filed in paper form with the Office of the Clerk of the Commission in this docket may use both sides of the paper. In all other respects, except as modified by the Commission's Order for Notice and Hearing, all filings shall comply fully with the requirements of 5 VAC 5-20-150, *Copies and format*, of the Rules of Practice.

The Petitions, the Commission's Rules of Practice, the Commission's Order for Notice and Hearing, and other documents filed in the case may be viewed at: <u>scc.virginia.gov/pages/Case-Information</u>.

VIRGINIA ELECTRIC AND POWER COMPANY and APPALACHIAN POWER COMPANY

(14) On or before February 29, 2024, the Petitioners shall serve a copy of this Order for

Notice and Hearing on the following local officials, to the extent the position exists, in each

county, city, and town in which the Petitioners provide service in the Commonwealth of

Virginia: the chairman of the board of supervisors and county attorney of each county, and the

mayor or manager (or equivalent official) and city or town attorney of every city and

town. Service shall be made electronically where possible; if electronic service is not possible,

service shall be made by either personal delivery or first-class mail to the customary place of

business or residence of the person served.

(15) On or before March 21, 2024, the Petitioners shall each file proof of the notice and service required by Ordering Paragraphs (13) and (14), including the name, title, address, and email address (if applicable) of each official served, with the Clerk of the Commission at scc.virginia.gov/clk/efiling.

(16) On or before July 24, 2024, any interested person may submit comments on the Petitions by following the instructions found on the Commission's website:

<u>scc.virginia.gov/casecomments/Submit-Public-Comments</u>. Those unable, as a practical matter, to submit comments electronically may file such comments by U.S. mail to the Clerk of the State Corporation Commission, c/o Document Control Center, P.O. Box 2118, Richmond, Virginia 23218-2118. All comments shall refer to Case No. PUR-2024-00010.

(17) On or before March 28, 2024, any person or entity wishing to participate as a respondent in this proceeding may do so by filing a notice of participation with the Clerk of the Commission at <u>scc.virginia.gov/clk/efiling</u>. Those unable, as a practical matter, to file a notice of participation electronically may file such notice by U.S. mail to the Clerk of the Commission at the address listed in Ordering Paragraph (16). Such notice of participation shall include the email addresses of such parties or their counsel, if available. The respondent simultaneously shall serve a copy of the notice of participation on counsel to the Petitioners. Pursuant to 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. PUR-2024-00010.

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(18) Within five (5) business days of receipt of a notice of participation as a respondent, each of the Petitioners shall serve upon the respondent a copy of each Petition and supporting materials, unless these materials already have been provided to the respondent.

(19) On or before June 5, 2024, each respondent may file with the Clerk of the Commission, at <u>scc.virginia.gov/clk/efiling</u>, any testimony and exhibits by which the respondent expects to establish its case. Any respondent unable, as a practical matter, to file testimony and exhibits electronically may file such by U.S. mail to the Clerk of the Commission at the address listed in Ordering Paragraph (16). Each witness's testimony shall include a summary not to exceed one page. A copy of all testimony and exhibits shall be served on the Staff, the Petitioners, and all other respondents. In all filings, respondents shall comply with the Rules of Practice, as modified herein, including, but not limited to: 5 VAC 5-20-140, *Filing and service*, and 5 VAC 5-20-240, *Prepared testimony and exhibits*. All filings shall refer to Case No. PUR-2024-00010.

(20) The Staff shall investigate the Petitions. On or before June 26, 2024, the Staff shall file with the Clerk of the Commission its testimony and exhibits, and each Staff witness's testimony shall include a summary not to exceed one page. The Staff shall serve a copy thereof on counsel to the Petitioners and all respondents.

(21) On or before July 12, 2024, Dominion and APCo shall each file with the Clerk of the Commission any rebuttal testimony and exhibits that they expect to offer, and each rebuttal witness's testimony shall include a summary not to exceed one page. The Petitioners shall each serve a copy of their rebuttal testimony and exhibits on the Staff and all respondents.

(22) Any documents filed in paper form with the Office of the Clerk of the Commission in this docket may use both sides of the paper. In all other respects, except as modified by this Order

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for Notice and Hearing, all filings shall comply fully with the requirements of 5 VAC 5-20-150, *Copies and format*, of the Commission's Rules of Practice.

(23) The Commission's Rule of Practice 5 VAC 5-20-260, *Interrogatories to parties 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) calendar 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 is directed or the assigned Staff attorney, if the interrogatory or request for production is directed to the Staff.¹⁶ Except as modified herein, discovery shall be in accordance with Part IV of the Commission's Rules of Practice, 5 VAC 5-20-240 *et seq*.

(24) This matter is continued.

Commissioner James C. Dimitri participated in this matter.

A COPY hereof shall be sent electronically by the Clerk of the Commission to all persons on the official Service List in this matter. The Service List is available from the Clerk of the Commission.

¹⁶ The assigned Staff attorney is identified on the Commission's website, <u>scc.virginia.gov/pages/Case-Information</u>, by clicking "Docket Search," then clicking "Search by Case Information," and entering the case number, PUR-2024-00010, in the appropriate box.