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STATE CORPORATION COMMISSION

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APPLICATION OF

VIRGINIA ELECTRIC AND POWER COMPANY
d/b/a DOMINION VIRGINIA POWER

CASE NO. PUE-2016-00056

For approval and certification of Elklick
Switching Station and double-circuit 230 kV
tap lines under Va. Code § 56-46.1 and the
Utility Facilities Act, Va. Code § 56-265.1 *et seq.*

AMENDING ORDER

On May 25, 2016, Virginia Electric and Power Company d/b/a Dominion Virginia Power ("Dominion" or "Company") filed with the State Corporation Commission ("Commission") an Application for approval and for a certificate of public convenience and necessity to construct and operate electric transmission lines and facilities in Fairfax County, Virginia. Dominion filed the Application pursuant to § 56-46.1 of the Code of Virginia ("Code") and the Utility Facilities Act, Code § 56-265.1 *et seq.* The Company proposes to construct approximately 670 feet of new double-circuit 230 kilovolt ("kV") transmission lines, four structures to support these new lines, and a new 230 kV Elklick Switching Station (collectively, the "Project").¹

On June 13, 2016, the Commission issued an Order for Notice and Hearing in this proceeding that, among other things, directed the Company to give notice of its Application to interested persons and the public; provided interested persons the opportunity to comment on the Application and to participate in this proceeding; directed the Commission's Staff ("Staff") to investigate the Application and file a report containing the Staff's findings and recommendations;

¹ Application at 2. In addition to the four new line structures, two new backbone structures would be constructed. *Id.*

and established a public hearing for the purpose of receiving testimony and evidence on the Application.

NOW THE COMMISSION, upon consideration of this matter, is of the opinion and finds that dates should be established by which any interested person desiring to participate as a respondent in this proceeding shall file a notice of participation and any prefiled testimony and exhibits.

Accordingly, IT IS ORDERED THAT:

(1) The Commission's June 13, 2016 Order for Notice and Hearing is amended to add an Ordering Paragraph (15) as follows:

On or before August 18, 2016, 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 filed with the Clerk of the Commission at the address set forth in Ordering Paragraph (8) of the Order for Notice and Hearing, and the respondent simultaneously shall serve a copy of the notice of participation on counsel to the Company at the address in Ordering Paragraph (4) of the Order for Notice and Hearing.

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-2016-00056.

(2) The Commission's June 13, 2016 Order for Notice and Hearing is amended to add an Ordering Paragraph (16) as follows:

Within three (3) business days of receipt of a notice of participation as a respondent, the Company shall serve upon the respondent a copy of the Application and supporting materials, unless these materials have already been provided to the respondent.

(3) The Commission's June 13, 2016 Order for Notice and Hearing is amended to add an Ordering Paragraph (17) as follows:

On or before August 18, 2016, each respondent may file with the Clerk of the Commission at the address set forth in Ordering Paragraph (8) of the Order for Notice and Hearing and serve on the Staff, the Company, and all other respondents, any testimony and exhibits by which the respondent expects to establish its case, and each witness's testimony shall include a summary not to exceed one page. 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-2016-00056.

(4) Ordering Paragraph (6) of the Commission's June 13, 2016 Order for Notice and Hearing is amended to read as follows:

On or before July 11, 2016, the Company shall publish the sketch map of the proposed route, as shown on page 71 of the Appendix to the Application, and the following notice as display advertising (not classified) in a newspaper or newspapers of general circulation in every county and municipality through which the proposed Project would be built:

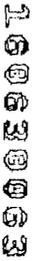


NOTICE TO THE PUBLIC OF AN APPLICATION BY
VIRGINIA ELECTRIC AND POWER COMPANY
FOR APPROVAL AND CERTIFICATION OF ELECTRIC
TRANSMISSION FACILITIES IN FAIRFAX COUNTY
CASE NO. PUE-2016-00056

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The Company proposes to construct approximately 670 feet of new double-circuit 230 kilovolt ("kV") transmission lines, four structures to support these new lines, and a new 230 kV Elklick Switching Station (collectively, the "Project"). As proposed, the Company would cut the existing 230 kV Bull Run-Loudoun, Line #295, and extend each end for approximately 670 feet to terminate at the proposed Elklick Switching Station, creating a revised Line #295 and a new 230 kV Loudoun-Elklick Line #2173. According to the Application, the Project would accommodate an expansion of Northern Virginia Electric Cooperative's ("NOVEC") existing Pleasant Valley Delivery Point Station ("Pleasant Valley Station") and is needed to comply with mandatory North American Electric Reliability Corporation standards.

The proposed Project would be constructed using approximately 170 feet of existing Company right-of-way and approximately 500 feet of new right-of-way, for which the Application indicates that the Company would obtain easements from the underlying property owners, which are the Fairfax County Park Authority, Dominion Cove Point (a customer of NOVEC), and NOVEC. The proposed Elklick Switching Station would be constructed adjacent to NOVEC's existing Pleasant Valley Station. As proposed, three of the four structures that would support the new transmission line would be three-pole structures with heights ranging between approximately 35 to 55 feet and the fourth would be a steel pole structure approximately 105 feet in height. A more complete description of the Project may be found in the Company's Application.



In its Application, Dominion indicates that the in-service date for the Project is December 31, 2017. Dominion estimates that it will take 10 to 12 months to construct the proposed Project. The Company estimates the total cost of the Project to be approximately \$8.1 million, of which approximately \$2.1 million is for transmission line construction work, and approximately \$6.0 million is for station work at the Ellick Switching Station.

Transmission Line Route

The Project is located northwest of Sudley Springs in Fairfax County, Virginia, approximately 2.4 miles south of the intersection of Braddock Road and Bull Run Post Office Road. Two new 230 kV tap lines of approximately 670 feet will be constructed between existing Line #295 and the proposed Ellick Switching Station.

All distances and directions are approximate. A sketch map of the route accompanies this notice. A more detailed map of the route may be viewed on the Commission's website: <http://www.scc.virginia.gov/pue/elec/transline.aspx>.

The Commission may consider a route not significantly different from the route described in this notice without additional notice to the public.

The Commission entered an Order for Notice and Hearing and Amending Order in this proceeding that, among other things, scheduled a public evidentiary hearing at 1 p.m., on September 7, 2016, in the Commission's second floor courtroom located in the Tyler Building, 1300 East Main Street, Richmond, Virginia 23219, for the purpose of receiving 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 offer testimony or other evidence on the proposed Project at this hearing should appear fifteen (15) minutes prior to the starting time of the hearing and contact the Commission's Bailiff.

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 also may be inspected during regular business hours at the following locations:

Dominion Virginia Power
701 East Cary Street, 12th Floor
Richmond, Virginia 23219
Attn: Stefan R. Brooks

Fairfax County Government Center
12000 Government Center Pkwy.
Fairfax, Virginia 22035
Attention: Mr. Edward L. Long, Jr.,
County Executive

Interested persons also may obtain a copy of the Application 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.

On or before August 31, 2016, any interested person wishing to comment on the Application shall file written comments on the Application with Joel H. Peck, Clerk, State Corporation Commission, c/o Document Control Center, P.O. Box 2118, Richmond, Virginia 23218-2118. Any interested person desiring to file comments electronically may do so on or before August 31, 2016, 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-2016-00056.

Any person or entity may participate in this proceeding as a respondent by filing, on or before August 18, 2016, a notice of participation. If not filed electronically, an original and fifteen (15) copies of the notice of participation shall be filed with the Clerk of the commission at the address set forth above. The respondent simultaneously shall serve a copy of the notice of participation on counsel to the Company at the address set forth above. 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 Rule 5 VAC 5-20-30, *Counsel*, of the Rules of Practice. All filings shall refer to Case No. PUE-2016-00056. Additional information on participation as a respondent is available in the Order for Notice and Hearing and Amending Order issued in Case No. PUE-2016-00056.

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

VIRGINIA ELECTRIC AND POWER COMPANY

(5) Ordering Paragraph (7) of the Commission's June 13, 2016 Order for Notice and Hearing is amended to read as follows:

On or before July 11, 2016, the Company shall serve a copy of the Order for Notice and Hearing and Amending Order on the chairman of the board of supervisors or mayor of every county, city, and town through which the proposed Project would be built. Service shall be made by first class mail or delivery to the customary place of business or residence of the person served.

(6) This matter is continued.

AN ATTESTED COPY hereof shall be sent by the Clerk of the Commission to: Charlotte P. McAfee, Esquire, Dominion Resources Services, Inc., 120 Tredegar Street, Richmond, Virginia 23219; Vishwa B. Link, Esquire, William G. Bushman, Esquire, and Anne Hampton Andrews, Esquire, McGuireWoods LLP, Gateway Plaza, 800 East Canal Street, Richmond, Virginia 23219; and C. Meade Browder, Jr., Senior Assistant Attorney General, Division of Consumer Counsel, Office of the Attorney General, 202 North Ninth Street,

Richmond, Virginia 23219. A copy also shall be delivered to the Commission's Office of General Counsel and Divisions of Energy Regulation and Utility Accounting and Finance.

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