

COMMONWEALTH OF VIRGINIA
STATE CORPORATION COMMISSION

APPLICATION OF

VIRGINIA ELECTRIC AND POWER COMPANY

CASE NO. PUE-2015-00107

**For approval and certification of electric
transmission facilities: Haymarket 230 kV
Double Circuit Transmission Line and
230-34.5 kV Haymarket Substation**

HEARING EXAMINER'S RULING

January 23, 2018

On December 6, 2017, the State Corporation Commission ("Commission") issued its Order Remanding for Further Proceedings in this matter ("Remand Order"). The Remand Order, among other things, directed the Hearing Examiner to conduct additional proceedings to receive evidence and legal analysis regarding: (1) new information as proffered by the parties that the Hearing Examiner finds relevant to the issue of need for the proposed project; and (2) Virginia Electric and Power Company's ("Dominion Energy Virginia" or "Company") additional variations to the routes proposed in the record.

On December 13, 2017, a Hearing Examiner's Ruling was entered that scheduled a public hearing on February 8, 2018, to receive additional evidence on the proposed project, and established dates for the filing of testimony and exhibits by the Company, Commission Staff, the Coalition to Protect Prince William County ("Coalition"), and Somerset Crossing Homeowners Association ("Somerset"). On January 5, 2018, the Company filed its additional testimony and exhibits in response to the December 13, 2017 Hearing Examiner's Ruling.

On January 19, 2018, Dominion Energy Virginia filed a Motion for Extension and Expedited Consideration ("Motion") requesting, among other things, that the February 8, 2018 public hearing and the remaining dates established for the filing of testimony and exhibits by the December 13, 2017 Hearing Examiner's Ruling be extended. In support of its Motion, the Company stated that House Bill No. 1202, which was introduced on January 10, 2018, in the Virginia General Assembly, "could affect these proceedings on remand"¹ if enacted. The Company, therefore, requested that the evidentiary hearing in this matter and the remaining procedural dates for the filing of direct and rebuttal testimony "be extended until after the General Assembly adjourns on March 10, 2018."² The Motion further indicated that the Coalition and Somerset agree with the Motion and Commission Staff does not oppose the Motion.

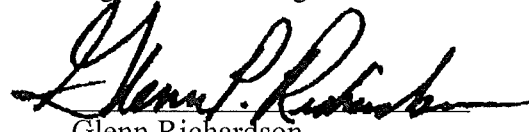
Having considered the Company's Motion, I find the Motion should be granted since House Bill No. 1202, if enacted, could affect the route approved by the Commission if the project is found to be needed. Accordingly,

¹ Company Motion at 3.

² *Id.*

IT IS DIRECTED THAT:

- (1) The Motion for Extension and Expedited Consideration filed by the Company is granted;
- (2) The February 8, 2018 hearing shall be retained on the Commission's docket for the purpose of receiving testimony from public witnesses;
- (3) The evidentiary hearing in this matter shall be continued and rescheduled to commence on April 30, 2018 at 10:00 a.m., in the Commission's courtroom, Second Floor, Tyler Building, 1300 East Main Street, Richmond, Virginia 23219;
- (4) The date for the filing of testimony and exhibits by Commission Staff, the Coalition, Somerset, and other respondents, shall be extended from January 26, 2018, to March 27, 2018;
- (5) The date for the filing of rebuttal testimony and exhibits by the Company shall be extended from February 2, 2018, to April 11, 2018; and
- (6) This proceeding is continued pending further ruling of the Hearing Examiner.


Glenn Richardson
Hearing Examiner

Document Control Center is requested to mail a copy of the above Ruling to all persons on the official Service List in this matter. The Service List is available from the Clerk of the State Corporation Commission, c/o Document Control Center, 1300 East Main Street, Tyler Building, First Floor, Richmond, VA 23219.