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To: "Danielle Lange" <DLange@mde.state.md.us>
Date: 3/2/2011 3:53 PM
Subject: RE: MAPP Letters of Support - MDE

Ms. Lange,

Yes, please do add our firm to the list. I greatly appreciate all of your help.

Thank you,
Charlita

-----Original Message-----

From: Danielle Lange [mailto:DLange@mde.state.md.us]
Sent: Wednesday, March 02, 2011 3:04 PM
To: Steve Proctor
Subject: Re: MAPP Letters of Support - MDE

Hi Charlita,

Thanks for sending these comments. I'm in the process of organizing all of the comments we received & wanted to know if I should also add your firm to our interested persons list, since you forwarded the comments. This is only necessary if you want to receive copies of any official decision on the project (the organizations that provided written comments are automatically added to the list).

Thanks,

Danielle

>>> "Steve Proctor" <gsp@gsproctor.com> 3/1/2011 1:56 PM >>>
Good Afternoon Ms. Lange,

Per our conversation, here are the six (6) letters of support for the Pepco MAPP project MDE Permit. If you have any questions, please feel free to give me a call. Some of the letters that came in as a PDF will have the USACE letter attached. Please disregard that letter.

Thank you very much,

Charlita

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MAPP BOARD:

GOOD EVENING:

I am **JAMES A. DULA, PhD**, and I reside in Clinton Maryland, and serve as the **President of the Bunbury Hills Civic Association**; and former President/CEO of the Prince George's Chamber of Commerce.

As a Civic Association President - and business leader - , I have seen many residents become jobless, many suffering from ill health, and others who make their livelihood at shopping centers -- and Hospitals or healthcare facilities -- located within our community.

FOR VARIOUS REASONS -- I am in favor of MAPP because:

- a. It will increase reliability in our business and livable communities;**
- b. It will enhance our economy as people will have the opportunity to work on this most needed project -- while having minimum effect on our environment.**
- c. AND finally, upon completion we expect to see a decrease in cost for services at a time when many other service costs have risen.**

As the former Health and Human Services Director for Prince George's County -- I had the opportunity to address health needs for residents, hospitals, and healthcare facilities during loss of power -- primarily due to severe weather. **HOWEVER**, it gave me an opportunity to see the need for a **reliable delivery system** that will provide continuous service at a reasonable cost.

Although I did not suffer from such a healthcare condition, many others depend on reliable electricity in order to live and maintain a certain quality of life. We are confident MAPP will enhance this need tremendously.

For these humane and economic reasons, I strongly support approval of MAPP and thank you for your time.



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WATER MANAGEMENT ADMIN., MDE

Re: Non-Tidal Wetlands and Waterways Application #: NT-09-0036
Tidal Wetlands Application #: 09-WL-0762
Permit Tracking #: 200960462
Project Pepco/Possum Point to Chalk Point/MAPP Utility Line
County: Charles and Prince George's

Dear Ms. Lange,

The International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers (IBEW) Local 1900 supports Potomac Electric Power Company's (Pepco) application for Non-Tidal Wetlands and Waterways and Tidal Wetlands permits from Possum Point, Virginia, through Charles County to Chalk Point in Prince George's County, for the Mid-Atlantic Power Pathway (MAPP). I and my fellow union members ask the Maryland Department of the Environment (MDE) to issue these permits as soon as possible in order to obtain the many benefits that this project offers.

Electricity supply in Central Maryland, Southern Maryland and Washington D.C is in trouble. As President and Business Manager of IBEW Local 1900, I know first hand the state of the current electrical supply system in this region. Maintaining and operating the electric system is what I, and the members I represent, do for a living. Eleven hundred IBEW Local 1900 members are employed by Pepco. Each day, we work to ensure that reliable power is delivered to the area's homes and businesses. Trust me when I say that the possibility of power shortfalls in the area within the next few years is very real unless we act now.

MAPP is the solution to this problem. MAPP is a high-voltage transmission line that will transfer power from eastern Virginia to the shores of the Atlantic Ocean, giving us the assurance that we will have power, including clean renewable wind energy from offshore wind turbines, when we need it. As you know, Governor O'Malley recently joined Secretary of the Interior Kenneth Salazar at Fort McHenry to discuss streamlining the permitting process for offshore wind energy projects.

The portion of the MAPP line from Possum Point Virginia to Chalk Point in Prince George's County will be very easy to construct. Aside from a new set of towers across the Potomac River, this portion of

MAPP will be constructed entirely within the existing 500 kilovolt (kV) right of way and on the existing towers.

Importantly, even the Western Shore portion of MAPP will provide tremendous electric reliability and pricing benefits to Maryland. Since MAPP is a large project, it will be very beneficial for Pepco to start construction of MAPP as soon as possible. With the start of construction, of course, many people currently unemployed or underemployed will be able to find work, which will help the economic recovery.

Pepco has a good record of environmental stewardship. It will construct all portions of MAPP using sound environmental practices, and will mitigate for all effects of construction.

IBEW 1900 and its many members endorse the MAPP line because it is the best option to provide reliable power to our communities. It is easy to take the reliable delivery of electricity for granted, but it is much harder to imagine life without it. We have an aging electricity infrastructure and growing demand for power, with more big-screen TVs, kitchen gadgets and cell phones plugged into our outlets than ever before.

It has been 25 years since we last built a major transmission line in the Mid-Atlantic region, and Maryland does not have enough transmission capacity to take care of its demand for power. Even though the economy is not as robust as we all hoped it would be by this point in the economic cycle, experts still forecast that the demand for power will rise over the next several years. Without MAPP, large portions of Maryland will be at increased risk for transmission-scale power outages. With the Non-Tidal Wetlands and Waterways, and Tidal Wetlands permits in hand, Pepco can begin the important work of correcting that situation.

In short, MAPP provides us with a solution that we need now. Please issue the Non-Tidal Wetlands and Waterways, and Tidal Wetlands permits for the Possum Point to Chalk Point portion of MAPP as soon as possible.

Sincerely,



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WATER MANAGEMENT ADMIN, MDE

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Tidal Wetlands Application #: 09-WL-0762
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County: Charles and Prince George's

Dear Ms. Lange,

I support Pepco's application for Non-Tidal Wetlands and Waterways and Tidal Wetlands permits from Possum Point, Virginia to Chalk Point in Prince George's County, for its Mid-Atlantic Power Pathway (MAPP). I ask the Maryland Department of the Environment (MDE) to issue these permits as soon as possible.

After attending the meeting in January and hearing more information on the MAPP project I believe MAPP will help with electricity prices, improve electric reliability, allow ocean-based wind turbines to provide power to Southern Maryland, and provide jobs and tax base in my county. The portion of MAPP covered by MDE's permit will be constructed on existing towers and within existing right of way, which will minimize most environmental impacts. I was pleased to hear at the meeting that the environment would be protected as much as possible during the work period.

At this time I feel that granting the Non-Tidal Wetlands and Waterways, and Tidal Wetlands permits for the Possum Point to Chalk Point portion of MAPP would be an advantage to this county. I am hoping you will consider this request as soon as possible.

Sincerely,



Margret White, President
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County: Charles and Prince George's

Dear Ms. Lange,

My name is Bryan Gambrell and I am a Maryland resident and the founder of a group called Shore Power, which supports electrical reliability on the Eastern Shore. Shore Power supports Potomac Electric Power Company's (Pepco) application for Non-Tidal Wetlands and Waterways and Tidal Wetlands permits from Possum Point, through Charles County to Chalk Point in Prince George's County for the Mid-Atlantic Power Pathway (MAPP) project. I hope that the Maryland Department of the Environment (MDE) will issue these permits expediently so that MAPP can begin relieving electricity congestion issues in the state as soon as possible.

The electricity congestion on the Eastern Shore means that residents and businesses here pay more for electricity than residents in the rest of the state. A single northern electricity transmission line serves the Delmarva Peninsula, which is also a concern in terms of electricity reliability. When problems occur with our isolated electric grid, the entire peninsula can lose power as it did in the blackout of the late nineties. That sort of massive power loss creates public safety concerns and has a huge impact on the local economy. After the 1996 blackout on the Eastern Shore, one Towson University professor estimated that seven hours of power loss cost the Peninsula \$30.8 million. With electricity demand still projected to rise, the Eastern Shore could be in real danger without additional transmission.

MAPP will provide much-needed electricity transmission to the Eastern Shore, relieving electricity congestion and ensuring reliable electric service to the region. MAPP will also provide a boost to all the local economies through which the line passes, including Charles and Prince George's Counties as well as those on the Eastern Shore. This important infrastructure upgrade will create jobs and inject money into local tax bases.

Shore Power, which has over 1,300 members, supports MAPP because it will provide reliable electric service to the Eastern Shore and has other important economic benefits for the entire region. We encourage MDE to issue the permits required for Pepco to begin construction on the portion of MAPP that runs from Possum Point in Virginia to Chalk Point in Prince George's County because Maryland needs MAPP in place quickly.

Please issue the Non-Tidal Wetlands and Waterways, and Tidal Wetlands permits for the portion of MAPP that runs from Possum Point to Chalk Point as soon as possible.

Sincerely,



Bryan Gambrill
Founder, Shore Power

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Subject: Project Pepco/Possum Point to Chalk Point/MAPP Utility Line
Attachments: MDE.pdf

> <<MDE.pdf>>
> Ms. Lange,
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> Attached please find Southern Maryland Electric Cooperative, Inc.'s
> comments in support of Potomac Electric Power Company's application
> for Non-Tidal Wetlands and Waterways and Tidal Wetlands permits from
> Possum Point, Virginia, through Charles County to Chalk Point in
> Prince George's County, for the Mid-Atlantic Power Pathway (MAPP).
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> The original will follow via first class mail.
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Dear Ms. Lange:

Southern Maryland Electric Cooperative (SMECO) supports Potomac Electric Power Company's (Pepco) application for Non-Tidal Wetlands and Waterways and Tidal Wetlands permits from Possum Point, Virginia, through Charles County to Chalk Point in Prince George's County, for the Mid-Atlantic Power Pathway (MAPP). We ask the Maryland Department of the Environment (MDE) to issue these permits as soon as possible in order to obtain the many benefits that this project offers.

As part of the PJM Interconnection, SMECO relies on the regional transmission grid to make sufficient quantities of power available to the cooperative's customer-members. With the growth of the region and the accompanying increase in energy use, the regional transmission grid has reached its cost-effective capacity. SMECO customer-members have been forced to pay extremely high congestion costs as a result.

The MAPP would greatly reduce congestion problems and provide greater access to affordable generation sources. With the looming possibility that power generation plants in the mid-Atlantic area may close because of age and environmental impacts, alternative sources of power must be made available. In addition, the MAPP will make renewable wind generation located in outlying areas available to the population located in areas where wind farms are not feasible.

By reducing congestion problems that contribute to higher electricity prices, we will have more power suppliers offering greater access to affordable sources of power generation. The MAPP would bring congestion relief and improve reliability for the Baltimore-Washington area and the metropolitan suburbs. Reliability is especially required for the mid-Atlantic area because of the number of governmental and military installations located in the region.

SMECO's customer base has more than doubled in the past 25 years, and our energy use has nearly tripled. Growth and development place tremendous demands on the area's infrastructure, and the need for reliable and adequate electric transmission infrastructure is critical. To supply the power needs of our customer-members, we must work together with the people and the companies that generate and transmit energy across a vast network. To that end, we support construction of the MAPP and the benefits this project will engender.

SMECO has facilities located along the proposed MAPP route, and the cooperative owns land along a portion of the route. SMECO and Pepco have worked together to engineer a plan for the cooperative's 230-kV transmission line to cross both Pepco's existing transmission line and the proposed MAPP power line in the Prince Frederick area. As a Maryland electric utility and as a land-owning neighbor, SMECO supports the MAPP project.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Kenneth M. Capps". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Kenneth M. Capps
Sr. Vice President & COO

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Re: Non-Tidal Wetlands & Waterways Application #NT-09-0036 and Tidal
Wetlands Application #09-WL-0762

Dear Ms. Lange:

This is to express the Brandywine North Keys Civic Association's support for approval of the Potomac Electric Power Company's applications referenced above.

Our Association has met with representatives of PEPCO on their Mid-Atlantic Power Pathway (MAPP) project. As a result of these meetings, we believe the initiative will provide and deliver safe and reliable electrical power to communities in Prince George's County, as well as to communities in other jurisdictions serviced by PEPCO. We believe the project will enhance the opportunity for PEPCO to develop preventative measures to avoid blackouts, create urgently needed jobs in our area, lessen the need for increases in customers' electric bills, etc.

As with other organizations, the Brandywine North Keys Civic Association is concerned with preserving and protecting the natural environment. PEPCO is aware of this concern. We believe the company is committed to taking steps to minimize damages to the environment and will restore wetlands, other vegetation, trees, etc. impacted by the project.

Therefore, we ask that the Maryland Department of the Environment (MDE) issue permits to PEPCO as requested in their Non-Tidal Wetlands and Waterways, and Tidal Wetlands applications previously referenced.

Sincerely,

Earl M. Mitchell
Earl M. Mitchell, President

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Attachments: MAPP_MDE Ltr of Support_Coalition_020711.pdf

Good Afternoon Ms. Lange:

Attached is one of our Letters of support in regards to the non-tidal Wetlands. You should have also received one that was faxed to you from Brandywine North Keys, President, Mr. Earl Mitchell.

Peace & Blessings,

Ms. Porter-Larche

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Dear Ms. Lange:

I am the Vice President of The Coalition of Central Prince George's County Community Organizations ("The Coalition") a conglomeration of 51 homeowner and civic associations in central Prince George's County. We work long and hard to raise the bar on the quality of life for all who live, work, play, and pray in our beloved Prince George's County. We have been very active and vocal on matters related to zoning, public safety, healthcare, economic development, education, and the environment. Members of The Coalition have labored to attract new businesses, retain existing businesses, and facilitate the growth of people already doing business in our county.

Accordingly, we have met with officials and we support Potomac Electric Power Company's (Peppco) for Non-Tidal Wetlands and Waterways and Tidal Wetlands permits from Possum Point, Virginia to Chalk Point in Prince George's County, Maryland, for Mid-Atlantic Power Pathway (MAPP). We therefore, ask the Maryland Department of the Environment (MED) to issue these permits as soon as possible. Our particular interest is the fact that MAPP will help our senior citizens and other low-income families through electricity prices, improve electric reliability, allow ocean-based wind turbines to provide power to Southern Maryland, and provide jobs and tax base revenue in our county. We understand that the portion of MAPP covered by USACE's permit will be constructed on existing towers and within existing right of way, which will minimize most environmental impacts.

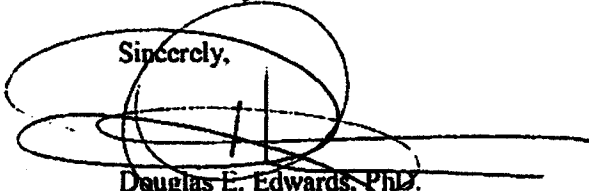
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Please issue the Non-Tidal Wetlands and Waterways, and Tidal Wetlands permits for the Possum Point to Chalk Point portion of MAPP as soon as possible. The members of the Coalition fully support MAPP serving our community and look forward to your favorable decision.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, consisting of several overlapping loops and a long horizontal stroke extending to the right. The signature is written over the printed name and title.

Douglas E. Edwards, Ph.D.
Vice-President, Coalition