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Re: Potomac River Project Outage Schedule Clarification

Dear Mr. Mansueti:

I am writing to clarify the upcoming outage schedule for the Potomac River project and to explain certain discrepancies that are present in Pepco's most recent communications.¹ The monthly status report submitted to the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission ("FERC") on April 16, 2007 shows the upcoming outages for the two additional transmission circuits as May 1, 2007 through May 21, 2007 (Circuit 1) and as May 24, 2007 through June 21, 2007 (Circuit 2). In an e-mail sent by Steve Alexander on April 27, 2007, Pepco reflected the current outage schedule for Circuit 1. That e-mail stated that the outage for that circuit is scheduled to begin on April 30, 2007 with a scheduled return date of June 1, 2007. Therefore, this information differs with the information communicated in the most recent FERC Monthly Report.

The project team determined only recently, and since the preparation of the April 16, 2007, report to FERC, that the outage dates were required to be altered in order to allow for completion of work on the additional two transmission circuits. An additional 10 days must be added to each outage duration. As outlined in the FERC report, these changes are the result of delayed material delivery which has slowed construction and installation. This material delay was caused by a failure of a section of cable during manufacturing that required the cable to repeat the manufacturing process. This cable will be delivered on May 2, 2007 for installation that day. The original delivery date was

¹ Pepco has provided similar notifications to DOE regarding updated outage schedules on November 27, 2006 and February 9, 2007.

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April 20, 2007. In addition, the start of the outage was changed to April 30, 2007 at the request of PJM.

Therefore, based on the most current information we have for both circuits, the new outage dates are listed below:

<u>Outage Duration</u>	<u>Feeder Out</u>
April 30, 2007 – June 1, 2007	Circuit 1
June 2, 2007 – July 1, 2007	Circuit 2

I apologize for any confusion. If you need any additional information, please contact the undersigned.

Respectfully submitted,

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