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PETITION OF

VIRGINIA ELECTRIC AND POWER COMPANY

CASE NO. PUR-2024-00180

For approval of new broadband capacity projects pursuant to § 56-585.1:9 of the Code of Virginia and for revision of rate adjustment clause: Rider RBB for the Rate Year commencing May 1, 2025

ORDER FOR NOTICE AND HEARING

On October 1, 2024, Virginia Electric and Power Company ("Dominion" or "Company") filed a petition ("Petition") with the State Corporation Commission ("Commission") pursuant to §§ 56-585.1:9 and 56-585.1 A 6 of the Code of Virginia ("Code").¹ The Company seeks approval to install middle-mile broadband capacity in additional unserved areas in Goochland and Powhatan Counties ("Thomas Jefferson Planning District Phase III Project"); Greensville County ("Greensville Project"); and Chesterfield and Henrico Counties (collectively, the "Other New Projects"), (all projects collectively, the "Proposed New Projects").² The Company also seeks approval to revise rate adjustment clause Rider RBB for the rate year commencing May 1, 2025, through April 30, 2026 ("Rate Year").³ Further, in its Petition, Dominion provided updates for previously approved Rider RBB projects.⁴

¹ Pursuant to Code § 56-585.1:9, the Commission must issue a final order within six months of the filing of this Petition.

² Petition at 1.

³ *Id.* at 2.

⁴ *Id.* at 5-6. These previously approved projects include the Surry Project, the Botetourt Project, the Northern Neck Project, the Northern Shenandoah Valley Project, the Southside Planning District Project, and other projects (including those in Sussex, Culpeper, Hanover, Loudoun and Middlesex Counties), as well as the previously approved Thomas Jefferson Planning District Project (in Appomattox and Louisa Counties). *Id.*

Thomas Jefferson Planning District Phase III Project

The Company states that Dominion, Firefly Fiber Broadband ("Firefly"), and Rappahannock Electric Cooperative ("REC") have entered into an agreement whereby, in each county in the proposed Thomas Jefferson Planning District Phase III Project, Firefly will: (i) lease middle-mile dark fiber from Dominion; (ii) serve as the internet service provider ("ISP") for Dominion and REC customers; and (iii) be responsible for building the last-mile fiber for Dominion and REC customers.⁵ The Company plans to complete construction of the approximately 90-mile project over the two years following Commission approval.⁶ The Company asserts that the total estimated capital cost for the Thomas Jefferson Planning District Phase III Project is approximately \$12.5 million, with the Company seeking recovery of approximately \$10.2 million in this proceeding, which represents the project's rural broadband incremental costs.⁷

Greensville Project

The Company further states that Dominion and EMPOWER Broadband, Inc. ("EMPOWER")⁸ have entered into an agreement whereby, in Greensville County, EMPOWER will: (i) lease middle-mile fiber from Dominion; (ii) serve as the ISP for Dominion and MEC customers; and (iii) be responsible for building the last-mile fiber for Dominion and MEC

⁵ *Id.* at 8. Firefly is a non-governmental ISP and a wholly-owned subsidiary of Central Virginia Electric Cooperative. *Id.*

⁶ *Id.* at 8-9.

⁷ *Id.* at 9.

⁸ EMPOWER is a non-governmental ISP and a wholly-owned subsidiary of Mecklenburg Electric Cooperative ("MEC"). *Id.*

customers.⁹ The Company plans to complete construction of the approximately 45-mile project over the next couple of years following Commission approval.¹⁰ The Company asserts that the total estimated capital cost for the Greenville Project is approximately \$6.4 million, with the Company seeking recovery of approximately \$5.1 million in this proceeding, which represents the project's rural broadband incremental costs.¹¹

Other New Projects

Dominion states that it will partner with All Points Broadband ("All Points") whereby, in Chesterfield and Henrico Counties, All Points will: (i) lease middle-mile fiber from Dominion; (ii) serve as the ISP; and (iii) be responsible for building the last-mile fiber.¹² Dominion further states that detailed design and construction activities are underway in Chesterfield and Henrico Counties, and construction of the approximately 75-mile project will likely be completed over the next couple of years following Commission approval.¹³ The Company asserts that the total estimated capital cost for the Other New Projects is approximately \$10.4 million, with the Company seeking recovery of approximately \$8.3 million in this proceeding for the projects' rural broadband incremental costs.¹⁴

Rider RBB

The Company seeks approval of three requests related to Rider RBB for the Rate Year:

⁹ *Id.* at 9-10.

¹⁰ *Id.*

¹¹ *Id.* at 10.

¹² *Id.* at 11.

¹³ *Id.* at 11-12.

¹⁴ *Id.* at 11.

(i) to update Rider RBB for the recovery of costs associated with the Surry, Botetourt, Northern Neck, and Thomas Jefferson Planning District Projects approved in Case No. PUR-2020-00197¹⁵ and Case No. PUR-2022-00062;¹⁶ (ii) to update Rider RBB for the recovery of costs associated with the Thomas Jefferson Planning District Project, Northern Shenandoah Valley Project, Southside Planning District Project, and Other Projects approved by the Commission in Case No. PUR-2023-00184 ("2023 Rider RBB Case");¹⁷ and (iii) to recover through Rider RBB the costs of the Thomas Jefferson Planning District Phase III Project, Greensville Project, and Other New Projects.¹⁸ The Company states that it will use the lease revenues it receives from the ISPs to offset the costs of the previously approved rural broadband projects and the Proposed New Projects.¹⁹

Dominion is requesting recovery of a total revenue requirement of approximately \$24.532 million for the Rate Year.²⁰ According to the Company, the implementation of the proposed Rider RBB on May 1, 2025, will increase a typical residential customer's monthly bill,

¹⁵ *Petition of Virginia Electric and Power Company, For approval of broadband capacity pilot projects pursuant to § 56-585.1:9 of the Code of Virginia, and for approval of a rate adjustment clause, designated Rider RBB, under § 56-585.1 A 6 of the Code of Virginia*, Case No. PUR-2020-00197, 2021 S.C.C. Ann. Rept. 291, 292, Final Order (June 9, 2021).

¹⁶ *Petition of Virginia Electric and Power Company, For approval of new broadband capacity projects pursuant to § 56-585.1:9 of the Code of Virginia and for revision of rate adjustment clause: Rider RBB for the Rate Year commencing December 1, 2022*, Case No. PUR-2022-00062, 2022 S.C.C. Ann. Rept. 548, 549, Final Order (Oct. 31, 2022).

¹⁷ *Petition of Virginia Electric and Power Company, For approval of new broadband capacity projects pursuant to § 56-585.1:9 of the Code of Virginia and for revision of rate adjustment clause: Rider RBB for the Rate Year commencing May 1, 2024*, Case No. PUR-2023-00184, Doc. Con. Cen. No. 240350046, Final Order at 3, 4 (Mar. 22, 2024).

¹⁸ Petition at 12-13.

¹⁹ *Id.* at 13.

²⁰ *Id.* at 14.

based on 1,000 kilowatt-hours per month, by \$0.11.²¹ The Company states that it has calculated the Rider RBB rates in accordance with the same methodology used for those rates approved by the Commission with respect to the most recent revision to Rider RBB in the 2023 Rider RBB Case.²²

Request for Waiver of Certain Filing Requirements

Dominion requests that the Commission waive, in part, the requirements under 20 VAC 5-204-60 ("Rule 60") and 20 VAC 5-204-90 ("Rule 90") of the Commission's Rules Governing Utility Rate Applications and Annual Informational Filings of Investor-Owned Electric Utilities ("Rate Case Rules")²³ with respect to Filing Schedules 3, 4, and 5,²⁴ as well as paper copies of certain Filing Schedule 46 materials ("Waiver Request").²⁵ The Company states that the Rate Case Rules require it to provide key documents, including economic analyses, contracts, studies, investigations, results from requests for proposals, and other documentation supporting the costs proposed to be recovered via the rate adjustment clause.²⁶ Dominion asserts that the supporting documentation responsive to this requirement is voluminous and not easily reviewed in hard copy (paper) format, and therefore seeks waiver of the requirement to file 12 hard copies of this information.²⁷ Instead, the Company proposes to provide this documentation

²¹ *Id.* at 15.

²² *Id.*

²³ 20 VAC 5-204-5 *et seq.*

²⁴ The Company has requested a waiver for supporting cost of capital schedules, Filing Schedules 3-5, for previously approved capital structures and has requested that current year capital structure be litigated in the Company's Rider GEN proceeding, Case No. PUR-2024-00097. *See* Petition at 16 n.10.

²⁵ Petition at 16-17.

²⁶ *Id.*

²⁷ *Id.* at 17.

to Commission Staff ("Staff") and any other future case participants in electronic format, and provide the Commission with one hard copy and three electronic copies on compact discs.²⁸ The Company states that it will make the electronic documents available via an e-room contemporaneously with this filing.²⁹

Motion for Protective Order

Finally, in conjunction with the filing of its Petition, on October 1, 2024, the Company filed the Motion of Virginia Electric and Power Company for Entry of a Protective Order and Additional Protective Treatment ("Motion for Protective Order") and a proposed protective order containing procedures governing the use of confidential and extraordinarily sensitive information in this proceeding.

NOW THE COMMISSION, upon consideration of this matter, is of the opinion and finds that Dominion should provide public notice of its Petition; a hearing should be scheduled for the purpose of receiving testimony from public witnesses and evidence on the Petition; interested persons should have an opportunity to file comments on the Petition or to participate as respondents in this proceeding; and Staff should be directed to investigate the Petition and file testimony and exhibits containing its findings and recommendations thereon. We also find that a Hearing Examiner should be appointed to conduct all further proceedings in this matter on behalf of the Commission, including ruling on the Company's Motion for Protective Order and filing a final report containing the Hearing Examiner's findings and recommendations. Further, for purposes of making the Petition complete and commencing this proceeding, we find it appropriate to grant Dominion's Waiver Request.

²⁸ *Id.*

²⁹ *Id.*

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) This matter is docketed and assigned Case No. PUR-2024-00180.

(2) 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").³⁰ 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.

(3) 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.

(4) 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

³⁰ 5 VAC 5-20-10 *et seq.*

proceedings in this matter on behalf of the Commission, including ruling on the Company's Motion for Protective Order and 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.³¹

(5) The Commission hereby schedules a telephonic hearing for the receipt of testimony from public witnesses on the Company's Petition, as follows:

- (a) A hearing for the receipt of testimony from public witnesses on the Company's Petition shall be convened telephonically at 10 a.m. on February 6, 2025.
- (b) To promote fairness for all public witnesses, each witness will be allotted five minutes to provide testimony.
- (c) On or before January 29, 2025, 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.
- (d) Beginning at 10 a.m. on February 6, 2025, 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 scc.virginia.gov/pages/Webcasting.

(6) The evidentiary portion of the hearing on the Petition shall be convened at 10 a.m. on February 6, 2025, 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,

³¹ Such electronic copies shall be sent to OHEParalegals@scc.virginia.gov.

1300 East Main Street, Richmond, Virginia 23219, to receive the testimony and evidence of the Company, any respondents, and the Staff.

(7) An electronic copy of the public version of the Company's Petition may be obtained by submitting a written request to counsel for the Company: Jontille D. Ray, Esquire, McGuireWoods LLP, Gateway Plaza, 800 East Canal Street, Richmond, Virginia 23219, or jray@mcguirewoods.com. Interested persons also may download unofficial copies of the public version of the Petition from the Commission's website: scc.virginia.gov/pages/Case-Information.

(8) On or before November 20, 2024, the Company shall cause the following notice to be published as display advertising (not classified) on one (1) occasion in newspapers of general circulation throughout the Company's service territory within Virginia:

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APPROVAL OF NEW BROADBAND CAPACITY PROJECTS
PURSUANT TO § 56-585.1:9 OF THE CODE OF VIRGINIA AND
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COMMENCING MAY 1, 2025
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Interested persons are encouraged to review Dominion's Petition and supporting documents in full for details about Dominion's proposals.

TAKE NOTICE that the Commission may apportion revenues among customer classes and/or design rates in a manner differing from that shown in the Petition and supporting documents and thus may adopt rates that differ from those appearing in the Company's Petition and supporting documents.

The Commission entered an Order for Notice and Hearing in this proceeding that, among other things, scheduled public hearings on Dominion's Petition. A hearing for the receipt of testimony from public witnesses on the Company's Petition shall be convened telephonically at 10 a.m. on February 6, 2025. On or before January 29, 2025, 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 February 6, 2025, the Hearing Examiner will telephone sequentially each person who has signed up to testify as provided above.

On February 6, 2025, 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 Petition from the Company, any respondents, and the Commission 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.

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On or before January 29, 2025, any interested person may submit comments on the Petition by following the instructions found on the Commission's website: scc.virginia.gov/casecomments/Submit-Public-Comments. 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-2024-00180.

On or before January 8, 2025, 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 for the Company at the address listed above. Pursuant to 5 VAC 5-20-80 B, *Participation as a respondent*, of the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure, 5 VAC 5-20-10 *et seq.* ("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-2024-00180.

On or before January 8, 2025, each respondent may file with the Clerk of the Commission at scc.virginia.gov/clk/efiling 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 Company, 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-2024-00180.

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 public version of the Company's Petition, 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: scc.virginia.gov/pages/Case-Information.

VIRGINIA ELECTRIC AND POWER COMPANY

(9) The Company shall serve each official listed in 20 VAC 5-204-10 J 1 as provided by 20 VAC 5-204-10 J 2.

(10) On or before December 11, 2024, the Company shall file proof of the notice and service required by Ordering Paragraphs (8) and (9), including the name, title, address, and electronic mail address (if applicable) of each official served, with the Clerk of the Commission at scc.virginia.gov/clk/efiling.

(11) On or before January 29, 2025, any interested person may submit comments on the Petition by following the instructions found on the Commission's website: scc.virginia.gov/casecomments/Submit-Public-Comments. 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-2024-00180.

(12) On or before January 8, 2025, 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 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 in Ordering Paragraph (11). 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 for the Company, Jontille D. Ray, Esquire, McGuireWoods LLP, Gateway Plaza, 800 East Canal Street, Richmond, Virginia

23219, or jray@mcguirewoods.com. 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-2024-00180.

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

(14) On or before January 8, 2025, each respondent may file with the Clerk of the Commission at sec.virginia.gov/clk/efiling 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 (11). 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 Company, 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-2024-00180.

(15) The Staff shall investigate the Petition. On or before January 8, 2025, 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 for the Company and all respondents.

(16) On or before January 22, 2025, Dominion shall file with the Clerk of the Commission any rebuttal testimony and exhibits that it expects to offer, and each rebuttal witness's testimony shall include a summary not to exceed one page. The Company shall serve a copy of its rebuttal testimony and exhibits on the Staff and all respondents.

(17) 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 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.

(18) 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 five (5) business 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 shall be served electronically on the party to whom 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.³² 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.*

(19) The Company's Waiver Request is granted as set forth in this Order.

³² The assigned Staff attorney is identified on the Commission's website, scc.virginia.gov/pages/Case-Information, by clicking "Docket Search," then clicking "Search by Case Information," and entering the case number, PUR-2024-00180, in the appropriate box.

(20) This matter is continued.

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.