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Via Electronic Mail

Dear Ms. Vaughn and Ms. Small:

Thank you for your correspondence to the PJM Board of Managers regarding the Maryland Piedmont Reliability Project. You message has been forwarded to the Board for their review. Your message is included in our posting on the <u>Board</u> <u>Communication Page</u> on PJM.com. We appreciate your interest in this issue and for sharing your concerns.

The PJM planning process selects solutions that meet the electrical need. Proposing entities determine how they will meet these electrical needs. During the evaluation process, PJM will look at various elements of the proposal including cost, schedules, and constructability. After the approval process, the Designated Entities are able to modify their project to reflect current conditions. In the case of a new transmission line, routes may change based on the availability of right-of-ways and community engagement. These changes are permitted under Schedule 6 of the Operating Agreement and will be presented at the Transmission Expansion Advisory Committee (TEAC) meetings when there is a significant change to the project.

In your letter, you raise a question on whether the selection of this line in the PJM process was based on faulty information about the length of the line. The 40-mile length was an error, but that line length error was corrected and PJM's full evaluation was based on a 70-mile line length. The mistaken length appears in the first read slide at the Oct 31, 2023 TEAC meeting, but the updated length was provided at the Dec 5, 2023 TEAC meeting. The cost did not change since the original line length was in error. It is important to note that the 70-mile length was part of the package that was presented to the PJM Board for approval.

Again, thank you for submitting your concerns to the PJM Board. Additional information about the project and its progress is available on the <u>PSEG MPRP Website</u>. Please use the contact information from the website to ensure any concerns are received by PSEG.

Sincerely,

Aftab H. Khan

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