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1 **I. Identification & Qualifications**

2 **Q: Mr. Chernick, please state your name, occupation, and business address.**

3 A: I am Paul L. Chernick. I am the president of Resource Insight, Inc., 5 Water St.,
4 Arlington, Massachusetts.

5 **Q: Summarize your professional education and experience.**

6 A: I received an SB degree from the Massachusetts Institute of Technology in June
7 1974 from the Civil Engineering Department, and an SM degree from the
8 Massachusetts Institute of Technology in February 1978 in technology and
9 policy. I have been elected to membership in the civil-engineering honorary
10 society Chi Epsilon, and the engineering honor society Tau Beta Pi, and to
11 associate membership in the research honorary society Sigma Xi.

12 I was a utility analyst for the Massachusetts Attorney General for more
13 than three years, and was involved in numerous aspects of utility rate design,
14 costing, load forecasting, and the evaluation of power supply options. Since
15 1981, I have been a consultant in utility regulation and planning, first as a
16 research associate at Analysis and Inference, after 1986 as president of PLC,
17 Inc., and in my current position at Resource Insight. In these capacities, I have
18 advised a variety of clients on utility matters.

19 My work has considered, among other things, the cost-effectiveness of pro-
20 spective new electric generation plants and transmission lines, retrospective
21 review of generation-planning decisions, ratemaking for plant under construc-
22 tion, ratemaking for excess and/or uneconomical plant entering service, conser-
23 vation program design, cost recovery for utility efficiency programs, the valua-
24 tion of environmental externalities from energy production and use, allocation of
25 costs of service between rate classes and jurisdictions, design of retail and

1 wholesale rates, and performance-based ratemaking and cost recovery in restruc-
2 tured gas and electric industries. My professional qualifications are further
3 summarized in Exhibit PLC-1.

4 **Q: Have you testified previously in utility proceedings?**

5 A: Yes. I have testified nearly three hundred times on utility issues before various
6 regulatory, legislative, and judicial bodies, including utility regulators in thirty
7 states and five Canadian provinces, and two US Federal agencies. This
8 testimony has included the many reviews of utility cost-allocation studies,
9 revenue-allocation proposals and rate designs.

10 **Q: Have you testified previously before the Commission?**

11 A: Yes. I have testified approximately 16 times before the Commission, from 1990
12 through 2014, as follows:

- 13 • Case No. 8278, on the adequacy of the integrated resource plan of
14 Baltimore Gas & Electric (BGE);
- 15 • Case No. 8241, Phase II of BGE's Application for CPCN for the Perryman
16 Project;
- 17 • Case No. 8473, Review of the Power Sales Agreement of BGE with AES
18 Northside;
- 19 • Case No. 8487, BGE 1993 Electric Rate Case, on cost allocation and rate
20 design;
- 21 • Case No. 8179, Approval of Amendment No. 2 to Potomac Edison
22 Purchase Agreement with AES Warrior Run;
- 23 • Case No. 8697, BGE 1995 gas rate proceeding, on cost allocation and rate
24 design;
- 25 • Case No. 8720, Washington Gas Light, on DSM avoided costs and least-
26 cost planning;

- Case No. 8725, the proposed merger of BGE and Potomac Electric Power Company (PEPCo), on allocation of merger benefits and rate reductions;
- Case No. 8774, the proposed Allegheny Power-Duquesne merger;
- Case Nos. 8794 and 8804, BGE restructuring;
- Case No. 8795, Delmarva Power & Light restructuring;
- Case No. 8797, Potomac Edison restructuring;
- Case No. 9036, BGE's 2005 rate proceeding;
- Case No. 9159, Columbia Gas's 2009 rate proceeding; and
- Case No. 9230, BGE's 2010 rate proceeding.
- Case No. 9361, the proposed merger of Exelon and Pepco Holdings.

I testified on behalf of the OPC in each of these proceedings, other than Case No. 9361, in which I testified on behalf of the Sierra Club and Chesapeake Climate Action Network.

II. Introduction

Q: On whose behalf are you testifying?

A: I am testifying on behalf of the Maryland Office of Peoples Counsel.

Q: What is the scope of your testimony?

A: My testimony covers aspects of the avoided costs developed by the Maryland Energy Administration (MEA) and used by some of the utilities in screening their EmPOWER Maryland utilities, particularly with respect to the estimation of the demand-reduction-induced price effects (DRIPE) for electric capacity. I discuss aspects of the mathematical and practical bases of DRIPE, as well as available empirical data useful in estimating DRIPE.

In addition, I discuss the equity issues raised by recognition of DRIPE statewide and appropriate testing of the equity of utility portfolios.

1 **Q: Which utilities participate in EmPOWER Maryland?**

2 A: The participating utilities are as follows:

- 3 • Baltimore Gas & Electric (BGE),
- 4 • Potomac Electric Power Company (PEPCo),
- 5 • Delmarva Power & Light (DP&L),
- 6 • Potomac Edison,
- 7 • Southern Maryland Electric Cooperative (SMECo),
- 8 • Washington Gas Light (WGL).

9 Other than WGL, all of these utilities are electric utilities with electric
10 energy-efficiency programs that may also have incidental gas savings, while
11 WGL and BGE are natural-gas utilities with gas energy-efficiency programs that
12 may also have incidental electric savings. Some energy-efficiency measures for
13 one energy source may increase usage of the other energy source (such as
14 reduced electric waste heat increasing gas heating requirements), and some
15 energy-efficiency measures replace usage of one fuel with the other (e.g.,
16 replacing electric space heating with a gas furnace). Hence, avoided costs for
17 both electricity and gas are relevant for all six utilities.

18 **Q: How is the rest of your testimony structured?**

19 A: The rest of this introduction describes demand-reduction-induced price effects
20 (DRIPE) and the PJM locational pricing system that drives Maryland DRIPE,
21 and the following sections address the DRIPE values assumed by the MEA and
22 the utilities, improvements in the filed energy DRIPE values, historical and
23 prospective capacity market conditions in PJM, and my recommendations for
24 corrected capacity DRIPE values.

1 **Q: Why is it important to make reasonable estimates of the avoided costs, and**
2 **particularly the DRIPE values?**

3 A: The values of the avoided costs may determine the cost-effectiveness of a wide
4 range of utility activities, including consumer energy efficiency, distributed
5 generation, demand response, dynamic pricing, smart-grid applications, and
6 utility efficiency programs (conservation voltage reduction, low-loss
7 transformers). Higher avoided costs support higher levels of all these activities,
8 so identifying the appropriate efforts requires reasonable avoided-cost estimates.

9 Just as important, different categories of avoided costs support different
10 types of activities. For example, higher avoided energy costs justify greater
11 energy-efficiency efforts, while higher avoided capacity costs and capacity
12 DRIPE will tend to justify more demand-response efforts. In particular, the
13 strikingly high capacity DRIPE assumed by the utilities (as illustrated in MEA's
14 EmPOWER 2015–2017 Cost Effectiveness Framework at 12) greatly increases
15 the estimated benefit of near-term demand response. Inappropriate estimates of
16 avoided costs will tend to misdirect utility efforts to less-productive activities

17 In addition to the effects of avoided costs on planning, both BGE and
18 PEPCo use avoided costs, including capacity DRIPE, to compute their incent-
19 ives for operating their residential load-management programs.¹ Inappropriate
20 estimates of avoided costs will tend to misdirect incentive funds.

¹Avoided costs and net benefits of demand-side management programs have been widely used in setting utility incentives throughout North America over the last 25 years or so.

1 **Q: How much do your estimates of avoided costs vary from those developed by**
2 **the MEA and used by the utilities?**

3 A: The only avoided costs for which I have quantified estimates that differ
4 significantly from MEA's estimates are those for capacity DRIPE. My analysis
5 results in levelized values about 70% less than MEA's for the MAAC utilities.

6 **A. *Demand-Reduction-Induced Price Effects***

7 **Q: What is DRIPE?**

8 A: Reducing demand for any normal commodity in a competitive market will tend
9 to reduce the price at which the market clears. Over the last decade or so, this
10 price suppression has come to be called the Demand-Reduction-Induced Price
11 Effect or DRIPE.

12 **Q: Should DRIPE be considered a benefit of energy-efficiency and demand-**
13 **response programs?**

14 A: Yes. Reductions in market prices reduce costs for all customers who purchase
15 generation services from the market, either through utility standard-offer service
16 or through competitive electric suppliers.

17 **Q: Which utility prices are subject to DRIPE?**

18 A: Reductions in electric load reduce both electric energy prices and electric
19 capacity prices. Reductions in gas load (through both improved end-use gas
20 efficiency and reduced fuel use at marginal gas-fired electric plants) reduce both
21 the cost of gas in the continental supply markets (such as at Henry Hub) and the
22 basis for delivery to the city gate. The lower supply costs reduce prices for both
23 end-use consumers of gas (through the LDCs) and generators, thus reducing
24 market electric prices to the extent that gas is the marginal fuel. The lower basis
25 also reduces electric prices, but has little effect on the costs of LDCs, which

1 typically purchase the vast majority of their gas transportation under long-term,
2 cost-of-service contracts.

3 **Q: How can DRIPE be measured?**

4 A: The effect of load reductions on prices is not observed directly, in contrast to the
5 way that avoided capacity costs can be observed from the results of the PJM
6 forward auctions (up to three years out), or avoided energy costs the historical
7 day-ahead and real-time energy markets. Electric energy DRIPE can be
8 estimated from historical relationship between hourly loads and market prices,
9 or from production-costing models (although the latter can be problematic).
10 Capacity DRIPE can be estimated from examination of recent (and possibly
11 forecast) demand and supply curves for the RPM market.

12 **Q: Is DRIPE an avoided cost, comparable to avoided energy or capacity?**

13 A: Yes, in most respects. One significant difference is that the direct avoided costs
14 benefit the customers of the utility running the programs, while DRIPE benefits
15 counted in screening energy-efficiency for any utility includes savings to
16 customers of all the state's utilities.² In most situations, this should not be a
17 problem, since each utility's programs benefit the customers of the others and
18 every utility's customers should be better off with the additional energy-
19 efficiency spending that may result from including DRIPE in screening.
20 Nonetheless, it is conceivable that one utility will spend a disproportionately
21 large amount of money on programs that generate lots of DRIPE benefits while
22 its peers do not reciprocate. If the Commission suspects that program spending
23 is becoming unbalanced among the utilities, it should require each utility to
24 review the benefits its customers receive (the sum of direct avoided costs, the

²A few New England jurisdictions include DRIPE benefits outside the state.

1 customers' share of DRIPE benefits from that utility's programs, and their share
2 of DRIPE benefits from the programs of the other utilities) and determine
3 whether the customer benefits on a utility basis exceed that utility's spending.

4 ***B. PJM Locational Pricing***

5 **Q: How do PJM pricing rules affect avoided costs in Maryland?**

6 A: PJM operates the day-ahead and real-time energy markets, setting a price for
7 energy delivered to the distribution company systems in each of 20 zones,
8 corresponding to utility (for PEPCo, DPL and BGE) or holding-company (for
9 Potomac Edison) transmission territory.³ PJM also operates a forward capacity
10 market (the Reliability Pricing Mechanisms, or RPM) in which it takes bids
11 roughly three years before the beginning of a June to May delivery year, in a
12 Base Residual Auction (BRA), supplemented by incremental auctions in each of
13 the next two years. The BRA sets the price for the vast majority of capacity. The
14 latest BRA occurred in May 2014 for 2017/18 delivery.

15 **Q: For what regions does PJM determine market prices in the BRAs?**

16 A: Each BRA sets prices (which may be the same) for the entire PJM RTO, 20
17 internal zones (named for the transmission owner in the zone, generally the
18 dominant utility), and a few sub-zones to reflect current and recent constraints
19 within a zone (e.g., PSEG North, DPL South). For most cases, PJM determines
20 prior to the auction that a zone will not be transmission-constrained from its
21 neighboring zones. Then, for analysis purposes, PJM bundles each set of zones
22 without mutual constraints into a Locational Deliverability Area (LDA). Those
23 LDAs may be nested; for example, the BGE and PEPCo zones are part of the

³The PEPCo zone includes SMECo.

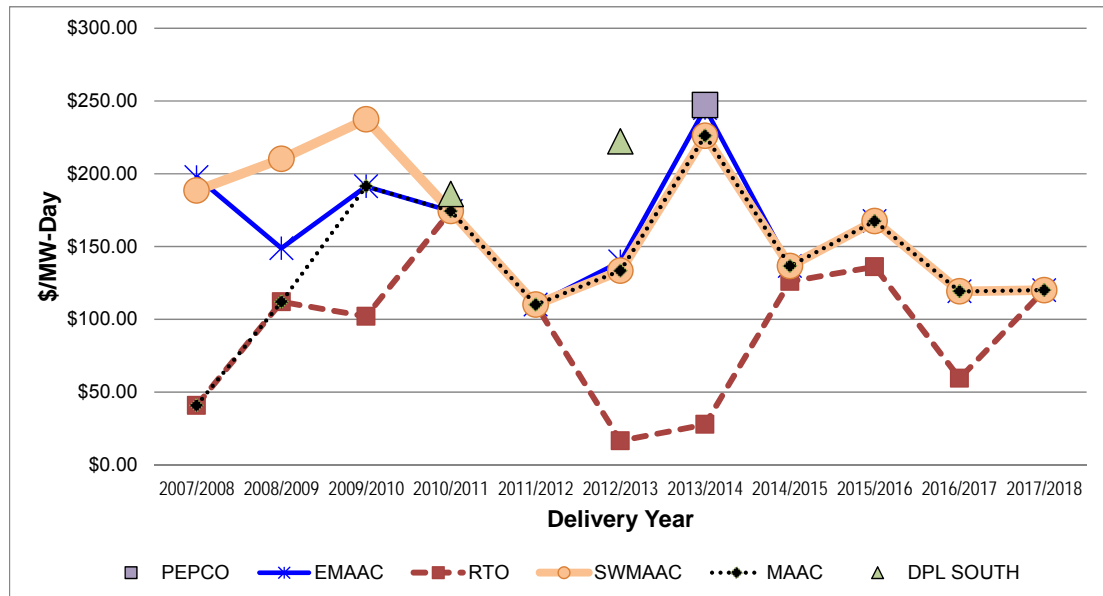
1 SWMAAC LDA, which is part of the MAAC LDA (along with EMAAC, which
2 includes the DPL zone), which is in turn part of the RTO LDA. Potomac Edison
3 is part of the APS zone, which is part of the RTO LDA, without any intermediate
4 LDA.

5 Of the four utility areas in Maryland, only the APS zone has consistently
6 been in the same LDA—the unconstrained RTO—over all 11 BRAs. In the
7 BRAs for 2007/08 through 2009/10, the SWMAAC and EMAAC prices
8 separated from the RTO price. For 2010/11 and 2011/12, prices for all the LDAs
9 serving Maryland merged with the RTO. For the next five BRAs, all of MAAC
10 separated from the RTO. Other than a spike in the DPL South zone in 2012/13,
11 the Maryland MAAC LDAs have all cleared at very similar prices in the last
12 eight BRAs.

13 In the latest BRA, for 2017/18, MAAC pricing merged again with the
14 RTO, due to such factors as PJM’s reduction of capacity imports and the failure
15 to clear the auction of four Exelon nuclear units in Illinois (Quad Cities and
16 Byron).⁴ The following chart illustrates the clearing prices for the Maryland
17 LDAs and the previously described price mergers and separation for the eleven
18 BRAs.

⁴Exelon’s Oyster Creek in EMAAC also failed to clear.

Figure 1: Historical RPM BRA Clearing Prices for Maryland LDAs



Source: PJM RTM results

III. The Filed Estimates of Price Effects

Q: What was the source of the utility estimates of DRIPE?

A: Three utilities—BGE, PEPCo, and DPL—included capacity DRIPE in their screening of energy-efficiency programs. All these utilities rely on estimates of energy DRIPE by Exeter Associates for MEA, and capacity DRIPE presented in the MEA’s filing of August 18, 2014.⁵

Q: Which avoided cost components will you discuss in this section?

A: My analysis focuses on energy DRIPE, avoided capacity cost, and capacity DRIPE.

⁵“Avoided Energy Costs in Maryland: Assessment of the Costs Avoided through Energy Efficiency and Conservation Measures in Maryland; Final Report.” Prepared by Exeter Associates for the Power Plant Research Program of the Maryland Department of Natural Resources, April 2014. MEA’s filing includes the Exeter Report, Avoided Cost Summary Tables for 2015–2017, a memo entitled EmPOWER 2015-2017 Cost Effectiveness Framework, and a table entitled VRR Curve Capacity DRIPE. It is entry ML 157744 of the Commission’s maillog system.

1 **A. *Filed Energy DRIPE***

2 **Q: How did Exeter estimate Energy DRIPE?**

3 A: Exeter calculated the hourly marginal prices for 2015–2030 for each of three
4 zones (APS, SWMAAC and EMAAC) that cover parts of Maryland, for the
5 following four load cases:

- 6 1. a base case,
- 7 2. a case with SWMAAC load reduced by 200 MW in each hour,
- 8 3. a case with APS load reduced by 150 MW in each hour, and
- 9 4. a case with EMAAC load reduced by 300 MW in each hour.

10 Exeter interpreted the price differential between Cases 2 and 1, divided by
11 200, as the price effect of one megawatt load reduction in SWMAAC; the
12 differential between Cases 3 and 1, divided by 150, as the price effect of one
13 megawatt load reduction in APS, and the differential between Cases 4 and 1,
14 divided by 300, as the price effect of one megawatt load reduction in EMAAC.
15 Exeter then averaged the on-peak prices in each load-price combination for each
16 year, as well as averaging the off-peak prices. Exeter computed these effects for
17 prices in all three zones, for a load change in each of the three zones, for a total
18 of 18 load-price coefficients in each year (2 periods times three load-reduction
19 zones, times three price-reduction zones).

20 Exeter decayed the estimated DRIPE effects by 20% annually starting with
21 the installation date. Exeter says (at 36), “The decay scaling factor for a measure
22 installed in 2015, therefore, would be equal to 0.33 by year 5 (2019) and equal
23 to 0.11 by year 10 (2024).”⁶ That explanation implies that the effect decays 20%
24 in the year of installation (if the decay started in 2016, the scaling factor in 2019
25 would be 41%).

⁶Exeter, Avoided Energy Costs in Maryland, April 2014.

1 Exeter adopted those decayed results for measures installed in 2015 and
2 2016. For measures installed in 2017, Exeter shifted the 2016 values forward
3 (later) by one year and reduced them by 15%. Exeter (at 34) justified the lower
4 2017 values because “that is the first year in which the Ventyx model builds new
5 power plants in the...Base Case.”

6 To derive an estimate of the benefit in each zone, Exeter took the price
7 effect (in \$/MWh per MW of load reduction) for each zone, multiplied that
8 effect by annual Maryland energy consumption in the zone, and divided by the
9 number of annual hours in the relevant (on- or off-peak) period.

10 **Q: Was Exeter’s development of the energy DRIPE appropriate?**

11 A: While the approach was not an unreasonable initial effort, the following aspects
12 should be improved.

13 First, the results of production costing models, such as the Ventyx model
14 that Exeter used, vary from run to run, depending on how random events (such
15 as plant outages) are timed and how maintenance outages are scheduled. Even
16 listing resources in a different order can result in a different cost estimate, by
17 determining which unit is out of service at a particular time. In addition, if the
18 generic sizes of new generation units in the model do not match well the size of
19 the energy-efficiency savings, the model may defer resources that would
20 produce much more or much less energy than the load decrement. It is not clear
21 how much of the price differences that Exeter found were modeling artifacts, as
22 opposed to actual differences in marginal costs as a function of load. For
23 example, Exeter reports that a reduction in APS load in 2015 increases prices in
24 SWMAAC, which is unlikely. Lower load in APS frees up energy from a
25 generator that will either be turned down (if it is the most expensive generation
26 running) replace some more-expensive generator serving SWMAAC (reducing

1 the market price in SWMAAC), or replace some more expensive generator
2 serving another LDA. Depending on which of these cases applies, the APS load
3 reduction can have either (1) no effect on SWMAAC, (2) a strong benefit, or (3)
4 something in between. In the future, the analysts should take care to isolate the
5 load-related effects from the model artifacts, and explain those efforts.
6 Alternatively, MEA might try using statistical modeling of historical loads and
7 prices, as has been the norm for estimating energy-DRIPE in New England.

8 Second, Exeter assumed the energy-efficiency load decrement would be
9 the same in every hour of the peak or off-peak period, through all the months of
10 the year. That load shape may be representative for some energy-efficiency
11 measures (e.g., efficient exit-sign lights), but many measures will be
12 concentrated in high-value months (summer for air conditioning, winter for
13 space heating). Even within each month, the benefits will tend to be higher in
14 high-load hours (on hot summer days, cold winter days). In the future, MEA
15 should develop energy DRIPE values for typical measure load shape (e.g., one
16 proportional to load) or different values for different measure types.

17 Third, Exeter assumed that the price reductions flow to consumers
18 immediately. In reality, when load reductions decrease market prices a
19 significant share of customer load will still be under contracts struck before the
20 reductions occurred. Unless the market participants have accurately forecast the
21 energy DRIPE effect and embedded that effect in earlier contracts, the price
22 benefits will not be entirely realized for months or years after installation.

23 Fourth, Exeter has not explained its decay assumption. This assumption
24 might reflect some mix of responses to lower market prices, including retail
25 price elasticity (rebound), accelerated retirements, delayed resource additions,
26 and deferred improvements in heat rates and reliability. It also appears that the

Ventyx modeling includes changes in resource additions, so that portion of the price response may be double counted, in the modeling and in the decay.

Finally, Exeter does not adequately justify its treatments of installations in 2017, specifically the 15% reduction from the lagged 2016 energy DRIPE.

Q: How should the shortcomings in Exeter's computation of energy DRIPE be addressed?

A: The issues I describe above should be addressed by MEA as soon as possible, and certainly before any additional important decisions are made relying on these values. Evaluating or correcting the problems in Exeter's results will require access to Exeter's analysis details and to data that I do not currently possess, so I cannot propose alternative values at this time.

B. Filed Capacity DRIPE

1. In the Current EmPower Maryland Cases

Q: How did MEA develop the capacity DRIPE used in the utility filings?

A: As discussed in the MEA's EmPOWER 2015-2017 Cost Effectiveness Framework and demonstrated in the VRR Curve Capacity DRIPE table, MEA estimated the slope of the Variable Resource Requirement (VRR) curve (the administrative equivalent of a demand curve) from PJM filings of Planning Period Parameters documents, and the supply curve from graphics that PJM has provided for three BRAs.⁷ The analysis assumed that the MAAC and rest-of-RTO zones would stay separate for capacity pricing and have no effect on one

⁷2014/2015 Base Residual Auction Report Addendum, 2015/2016 Base Residual Auction Supply Curves, and 2016/2017 Base Residual Auction Supply Curves, all available at www.pjm.com/~media/markets-ops/rpm/rpm-auction-info/.

1 another, so MEA estimated two DRIPE effects: one for Potomac Edison and the
2 other for all the Maryland utilities in MAAC.

3 **Q: How did MEA derive the capacity DRIPE from the supply and demand**
4 **curves?**

5 A: While I cannot trace MEA's computations through from the VRR Curve
6 Capacity DRIPE document to the DRIPE results tabulated in Avoided Cost
7 Summary Tables for 2015–2017 (at 3, 5, and 7), it appears that MEA performed
8 the following steps:

- 9 1. determined the slope of the VRR curve in the range of moderate surplus
10 (the "B-C Slope" in the terminology of the VRR Curve Capacity DRIPE
11 document) for the MAAC LDA and for the Rest-of-RTO LDA for each
12 delivery year 2014/15 through 2017/18;
- 13 2. assumed that the load and supply conditions in MAAC do not affect prices
14 in the rest of the RTO, and that conditions in the Rest-of-RTO LDA do not
15 affect prices in MAAC;
- 16 3. divided the slope of each VRR curve by two;
- 17 4. multiplied the result by the capacity requirement for the Maryland portion
18 of each LDA;
- 19 5. reduced the effect by two thirds in the year of installation and one third in
20 the second year, to reflect the lag in recognition of load reductions in PJM's
21 capacity auctions
- 22 6. Reduced the effect by 20% in each of the first five years, for a reduction of
23 67% by year five, and linearly to zero in year ten, reflecting offsetting
24 market responses.

25 **Q: What problems have you identified in this computation?**

26 A: I have identified the following four problems:

- 1 • assuming that the prices in MAAC and the rest of the RTO will always be
- 2 separate, resulting in higher capacity prices (and DRIPE) for the three
- 3 eastern utilities and lower prices and DRIPE for Potomac Edison;
- 4 • assuming that, when the prices separate, supply in MAAC does not affect
- 5 price in rest-of-RTO, and vice versa;
- 6 • assuming that the effect of energy-efficiency supply on price equals half
- 7 the slope of the VRR, and is independent of the slope of the supply curve;
- 8 • understating the lag in recognition of load reductions in PJM's estimation
- 9 of capacity requirements and hence capacity prices.

10 **Q: What is wrong with assuming that the prices in MAAC and the rest of the**
11 **RTO will always be separate?**

12 A: The two regions cleared at the same price for 2017/18. As I discuss in Section
13 V, there are good reasons to expect the prices will be the same in many future
14 years.

15 **Q: What is wrong with assuming that supply in MAAC does not affect price in**
16 **rest-of-RTO, and vice versa?**

17 A: There are two problems. First, MAAC is part of the RTO, so increased supply
18 (or reduced load) in MAAC almost inevitably reduces the RTO capacity price,
19 as well as the price in MAAC. Second, PJM's sensitivity analyses of the results
20 of the BRAs indicate that increasing supply in the RTO generally reduces prices
21 in MAAC, as I discuss in Section VI.A, below.

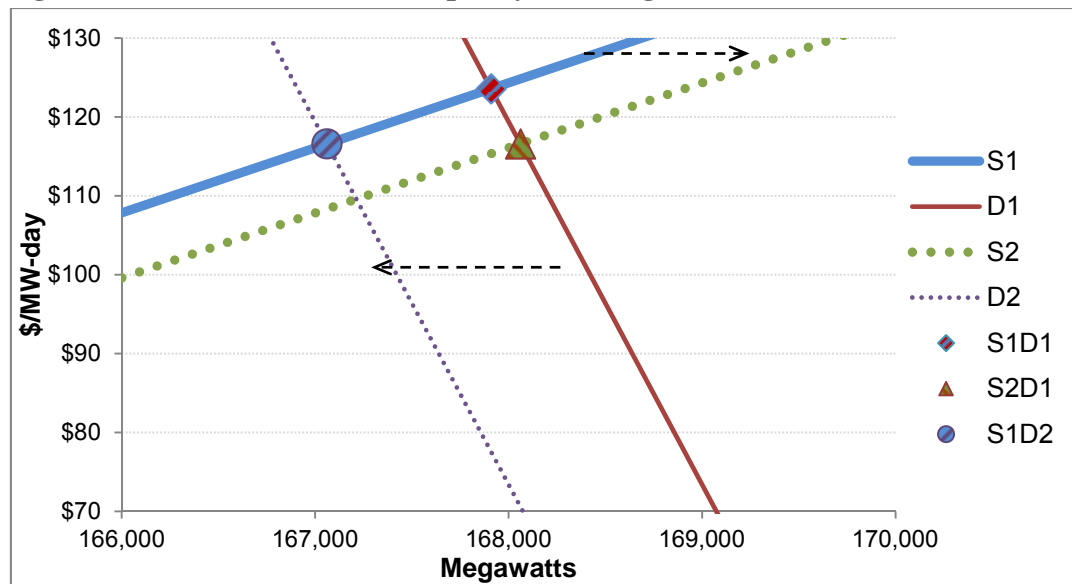
22 **Q: What is MEA's rationale for assuming that the price effect of additional**
23 **energy efficiency equals half the slope of the VRR?**

24 A: I cannot find any explanation for this position in the record. It is my impression
25 that this outcome was the result of negotiation among the utilities and MEA.

Q: How should MEA have computed the price effect of energy reductions?

A: The effect of additional energy efficiency on the market-clearing capacity depends on both the slope of the VRR and the slope of the supply curve. Figure 2 illustrates the effect of adding 1,000 MW of peak reduction as an increase of supply (shifting the S_1 supply curve to the S_2 supply curve) or a decrease in demand (shifting the D_1 VRR curve to the D_2 VRR curve). The dashed lines show a 1,000 MW shift in the supply curve to the right, or the demand curve to the left.

Figure 2: Illustration of PJM Capacity Clearing Prices and Shifts



In addition to the actual clearing price (point S_1D_1), Figure 2 shows the effect of shifting the supply curve 1,000 MW to the right (point S_2D_1 , reflecting addition of 1,000 MW of EE&C bid into the auction) and the effect of shifting the demand curve 1,000 MW to the left (point S_1D_2 , reflecting 1,000 MW reduction in the demand curve from reflecting the same amount of EE&C in the forecast driving the demand curve). In each case, the 1,000 MW of EE&C reduces the market-clearing price by about \$7/MW-day.

Exhibit PLC-2 shows that this equivalence is not a coincidence. Assuming that effects on losses and reserves are treated equivalently, the effect of a load reduction on price is the same, regardless of whether PJM includes the reduction as an incremental resource or a decrement in load.

Q: Did MEA estimate this effect of shifting the supply or demand curve?

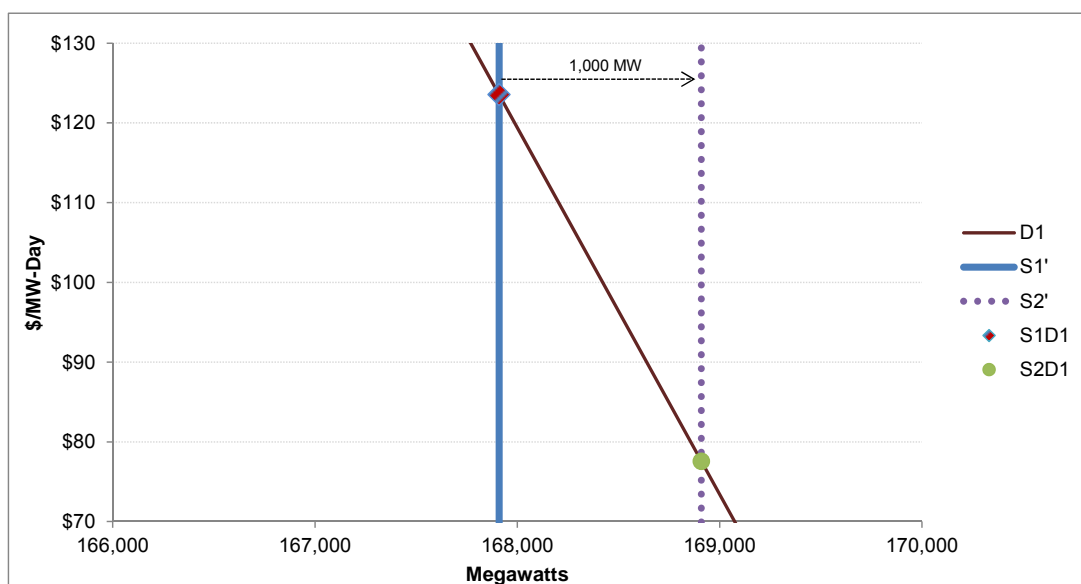
A: Yes. The VRR Capacity DRIPE document computes “DRIPE from 1 MW shift of VRR Curve,” which is the change in market price from a one-MW shift, equivalent to the shift point S_1D_1 to point S_2D_1 in Figure 2. The same document refers to that price change times the affected MW in Maryland as the benefit of shifting to the “New Equilibrium.”

Unfortunately, MEA and the utilities ignored this result and instead assumed a much higher value for each BRA.

Q: What price shift did MEA and the utilities assume?

A: The assumed price shift is half the effect that would occur if the supply curve were vertical. The situation with a vertical supply curve is shown in Figure 3.

Figure 3: Illustration of PJM Capacity Clearing Prices with Shift Down VRR Curve



1 This is exactly the price change that BGE uses in its demand-response-in-
2 centive computation, as I describe in Section III.B.2 the utilities and MEA
3 recognized that the assumption of a vertical supply curve was implausible, since
4 MEA had already estimated supply curves that were distinctly not vertical.
5 Obviously, some resources would clear at higher prices but drop out at lower
6 prices.

7 The PJM BRA supply curves for capacity are not really smooth, but com-
8 posed of a series of steps, representing the individual bids. The utilities and MEA
9 effectively assumed that the slope of the supply curve was such that there was a
10 50% chance that a small shift in energy-efficiency supply would result in the
11 VRR moving through a vertical portion of the supply curve, having the effect
12 shown in Figure 3, and a 50% chance that the VRR would pass through a
13 horizontal portion of the supply curve, having no effect.

14 **Q: Do you have any documentation of this 50% assumption?**

15 A: In its demand-response incentive methodology (discussed in Section III.B.2),
16 PEPCo explains that it used the

17 Maryland Energy Administration EmPOWER 2014 adopted process,
18 assuming a 45 degree slope of the demand curve, which results in a 50 per-
19 cent application of the resulting change of the Variable Resource Require-
20 ments supply curve of Points B to C.

21 **Q: Does this explanation make sense?**

22 A: No. PEPCo's explanation describes the VRR curve as the supply curve, when in
23 fact the VRR curve is PJM's administrative alternative to a market demand
24 curve. It is meaningless to describe how the 45° demand curve intersects the
25 VRR demand curve. I assume that PEPCo misunderstood the comments of other
26 parties on an EmPOWER Planning Group call, and garbled a proposal to
27 assume a 45° supply curve and the VRR demand curve.

1 In addition, any claim about what a 45° supply curve would do is com-
2 pletely meaningless, since the slope of the supply curve depends on the units
3 and scale on which the curve is drawn. The supply curve plots dollars-per-MW-
4 day against megawatts supplied; the units on the two axes are entirely different
5 and cannot be put on the same scale. The x-axis megawatt scale could use 1,000
6 MW per inch, or 10,000 MW; the y-axis price scale could use \$10/MW-day per
7 inch, or \$50. A supply curve that was a 45° angle at one combination of these
8 scales would have an entirely different slope with a different combination.

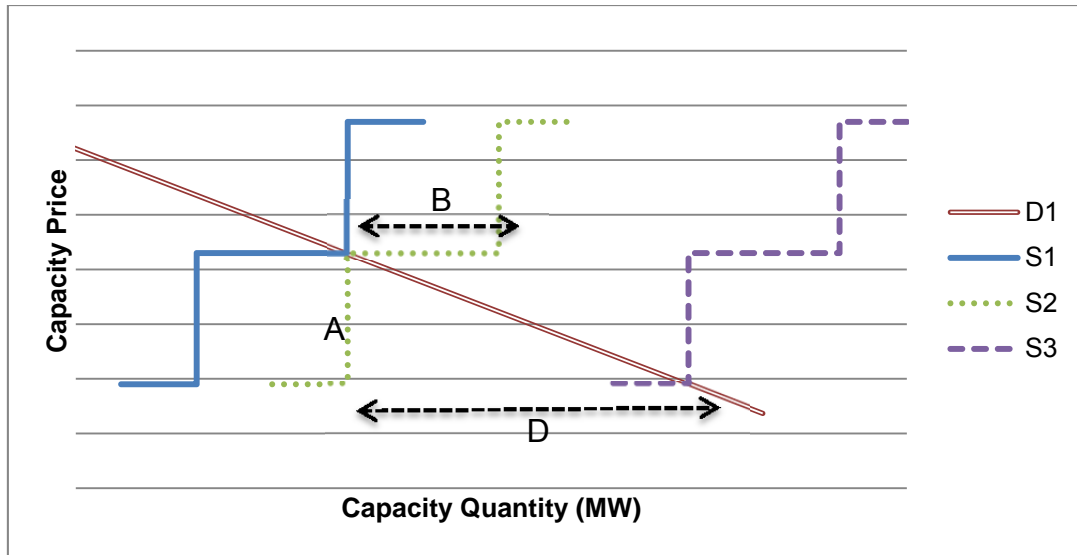
9 The fact that our only written justification of the 50% VRR computation
10 relies on such profound confusion suggest just how arbitrary it is.

11 **Q: Is the 50% assumption consistent with the available data?**

12 A: No. The 50% assumption would only be correct for a very specific relationship
13 between the slopes of the VRR curve and the supply curve. With the actual
14 slopes of those curves, shifting the supply curve would change the price much
15 less than half the time.

16 Figure 4 illustrates how the price would change given a fixed demand
17 curve and changing quantities of supply.

Figure 4: Illustration of PJM Capacity Clearing Prices, Stepped Supply Curve



Shifting the supply curve to the right, along the horizontal section of the supply curve, by B MW, from the original supply curve S_1 to supply curve S_2 , results in no change in price, but reduces the capacity supplied by the marginal resource. A further shift of the supply curve, by D MW, from S_2 to S_3 , moves the intersection down a vertical section of the curve, substantial decreasing the clearing price and increasing the quantity taken.

The ratio of the energy-efficiency resources that cause no price change (B MW) and that reduce the price (D MW) represents the probability that any particular change in energy-efficiency resources would intersect a horizontal or a vertical leg. In the example in Figure 4, shifting the supply curve would change the price about 67% of the time. More generally, the value of B for the average step of the VRR can be quantified as Δ/m_s , where m_s is the average slope of the supply curve and D as $-(\Delta/m_{VRR})$, where m_{VRR} is the slope of the VRR curve. The ratio of the energy-efficiency additions causing a price change to those causing no price change is thus:

$$\frac{D}{B} = \frac{m_s}{-m_{VRR}}$$

In other words, the ratio of the probability of a price change to the probability of no price change is equal to the slope of the supply curve divided by the negative of the slope of the demand curve (slope times -1). With this formula, it is possible to calculate the odds ratio of changed prices to unchanged prices given PJM's actual VRR curve and the estimated supply curve slope for each year. Table 1 depicts these ratios in PJM over a four year period. All of these ratios are lower (and most much lower) than the 1.0 odds ratio implied by the MEA-utility 50% VRR solution.

Table 1: Odds Ratio of Price Change to No Price Change

LDA	2014–15	2015–16	2016–17	2017–18
RTO	0.34	0.39	0.18	0.17
MAAC	0.78	0.45	0.23	0.20

Table 2 restates the odds ratio as a probability of a price change, comparable to the 50% probability assumed by MEA and the utilities.

Table 2: Probability of a Price Change from an Energy-Efficiency Increment

LDA	2014–15	2015–16	2016–17	2017–18
RTO	25%	28%	15%	14%
MAAC	44%	31%	19%	17%

An increase in resources reduces price much less than half the time. The 50% VRR assumption still overstates DRIPE by as much as three times.

Q: How does your analysis of Figure 4 differ from the assumptions of MEA and the utilities in adopting the VRR?

A: I do not know. Neither the MEA nor the utilities have provided any analysis supporting the 50% VRR approach. The adoption of this assumptions appears to have been entirely arbitrary.

1 **Q: Why do you say that MEA understated the lag in recognition of load reduc-**
2 **tions in PJM's capacity market?**

3 A: The utilities appear to bid about half of their projected energy-efficiency savings
4 into the BRA for the forecast first year of savings, three years in the future. This
5 conservatism makes sense, since the utilities will generally not have regulatory
6 approval for their energy-efficiency plans three years in the future (the bids for
7 2017/18, for example, were due in May 2014, several months before the Com-
8 mission's approval of the 2015–2017 energy-efficiency plans). Also, the
9 effectiveness of the programs for any particular year is unknown and the extent
10 to which PJM will accept claimed savings is also unknown. Indeed, the PJM
11 protocols for monitoring and verification for peak savings may be less generous
12 than the Commission-approved savings estimation methodologies.⁸

13 **Q: What happens to the load reductions that are not bid into the BRA for the**
14 **first year in which the energy-efficiency savings reduce the summer peak?**

15 A: The utilities may bid some of the additional capacity into the incremental auc-
16 tions for that first year, but those resources are not likely to have any significant
17 effect on the prices paid by consumers. They may also bid the capacity into the
18 BRAs for later years, but the data provided by BGE (and confidential data from
19 PEPCo and DPL) do not indicate clearly that the utilities actually do so.

⁸In addition to these reasonable bases for conservatism, BGE can increase the revenues of Exelon Generation by reducing the capacity that it bids into the market. The ratepayers get less credit for the energy-efficiency capacity, and pay higher prices for their capacity needs, while Exelon increases its profits. If the Exelon-PHI merger is confirmed, the same incentive to low-ball capacity bid into the BRAs will also apply to PEPCo and DPL.

1 **Q: What would be the effect of load reductions that the utilities never bid into**
2 **the BRAs?**

3 A: Any load reductions that are not bid into the auctions will affect prices only after
4 they are incorporated into PJM's econometric load forecast. Of the 2015 energy-
5 efficiency installations, only about half will affect the 2015 summer peak, which
6 will be used in the 2016 forecast that will determine the amount of capacity
7 acquired in 2016 for the 2019/20 delivery year. The peak reduction from all the
8 2015 installations will affect the peaks in 2017 and later years.

9 It will take a few years for the auction results to reflect the load reductions
10 fully, since only the last years of the data will be reduced. Depending on the
11 details of the variability of load over time, the 2016 load forecast for the
12 summer of 2019 might reflect only about 25% of the 2015 load reduction; that
13 fraction might rise to about 50% by the 2017 forecast for the 2020 peak and
14 over 90% by time of the 2019 forecast of the 2021 peak.

15 **Q: What is the effect of the delay in recognizing the non-bid load reductions?**

16 A: While MEA and the utilities assume that all the market price effects of the load
17 reductions occurs in the year the measure is installed, the benefits of load
18 reductions that are not bid into the BRAs (and thus only reflected in the PJM
19 load forecast) will be delayed by five or six years.

20 **Q: How does hedging of retail prices affect capacity DRIPE?**

21 A: As I discuss with respect to energy in Section III.B.2, not all capacity purchased
22 for retail load will be affected by reductions in market prices in the short term,
23 due to existing purchase contracts for the utility SOS and fixed-price multi-year
24 contracts between customers and competitive electric suppliers.

1 2. *In the Load-Control Rider Filings*

2 **Q: Which utilities recover an incentive based on capacity DRIPE for operating**
3 **their residential load-control programs?**

4 A: Both BGE and PEPCo have such shareholder incentives.

5 **Q: How does PEPCo use capacity DRIPE in its incentive computation?**

6 A: On December 12, 2014, PEPCo filed in Case No. 9155 an update to its Rider E-
7 MD—EmPOWER MD Charge. The Commission accepted the tariff revisions
8 on January 22, 2015. While the tariff does not specify whether capacity DRIPE
9 will be included in the incentive, Attachment 9 to the December filing is entitled
10 “Pepco DLC Bonus Workpapers” and describes the use of “Capacity Price
11 Mitigation” (i.e., capacity DRIPE) in computing PEPCo’s bonus for direct load
12 control.

13 Attachment 9 describes the MEA-utility 50%-of-VRR methodology, in-
14 cluding the 20% annual decay in the DRIPE effect. The attachment estimates
15 capacity-DRIPE benefits to PEPCo Maryland customers of \$1,017,777 for part
16 of 2013 and \$2,238,511 for 2014, representing 14% and 20% of total benefits
17 for those years. Since PEPCo claims a bonus equal to 5% of benefits, the
18 capacity DRIPE results incentives of about \$160,000 for this 19-month period.

19 **Q: How does PEPCo justify its estimates of capacity DRIPE benefits?**

20 A: Attachment 9 says simply that PEPCo used “Maryland Energy Administration
21 (“MEA”) EmPOWER 2014 adopted process.” As I explain in Section III.B.1
22 above, PEPCo’s explanation of the justification of the 50% VRR method is
23 internally inconsistent and ultimately meaningless. Despite the high level of
24 detail provided in other portions of the filing, Attachment 9 does not provide the
25 full derivation of the claimed mitigation value, including the slope of the

1 demand curve assumed for each delivery year and the PEPCo Maryland load
2 affected by the capacity price.⁹

3 **Q: How does BGE use capacity DRIPE in its incentive computation?**

4 A: Unlike PEPCo, BGE does not file its incentive computations in its EmPOWER
5 docket, but as separate undocketed tariff revisions. The latest such filing is
6 styled “Supplement No. 556 to PSC Md. E-6: Rider 2—Electric Efficiency
7 Charge, Rider 15—Demand Response Service Charge and Rider 26—Peak
8 Time Rebate Charge,” filed November 13 2014, and logged as ML 160394 on
9 the Commission’s maillog system.¹⁰ Attachment 3, at unnumbered 24, shows the
10 derivation of the VRR estimate of capacity DRIPE. The capacity DRIPE that
11 BGE claims is greater than the program’s annual capacity and energy revenue in
12 each year since 2012. The incentive BGE claims on the price mitigation in
13 2013–2015 is almost \$2 million.

14 **Q: Other than the use of the grossly overstated VRR capacity DRIPE method-**
15 **ology, have you identified any other problems with BGE’s computation of**
16 **capacity price mitigation?**

17 A: Yes. The computation ignores any decay of DRIPE. Of the 345 MW of load-
18 control capacity BGE claimed for 2013/14, 261 MW were installed in 2010/11
19 or earlier, so the 20% annual decay assumed in the MEA-utility capacity DRIPE

⁹Some of the limited information provided appears to be incorrect. Attachment 9 reports that PEPCo’s load-control program was credited with installed capacity (ICAP) of 131.6 MW in 2013/14 and 157 MW in 2014/15, which PEPCo equates to unforced capacity (UCAP) of 124.1 MW in 2013/14 and 175.2 MW in 2014/15. These values imply that the ratio of ICAP to UCAP was 1.06 in 2013/14 and 0.90 in 2014/15. Since the RPM parameters changed little between these auctions, at least one of these values is almost certainly incorrect.

¹⁰An errata filing was provided on December 8 2014 as ML 161248.

1 projection would substantially reduce the estimated price reduction in the period
2 for which BGE was claiming an incentive (2013 through 2015).

3 **Q: What should the Commission do with respect to the computation of**
4 **capacity DRIPE in the shareholder incentives for the load-control**
5 **programs?**

6 A: I understand that the Commission has approved the current shareholder-incent-
7 ive requests, which are based in part on the above capacity DRIPE calculations,
8 and that this is not the appropriate forum to implement changes to the share-
9 holder incentive computations. However, subject to the Commission's decision
10 in this matter, I would recommend that these computations be revised to be con-
11 sistent with the slopes I compute in Section VI.A, below, and the decay
12 assumptions accepted by both PEPCo and BGE for the energy-efficiency
13 computations. The mechanism for implementing those changes may be different
14 for the two utilities, since BGE's incentive is embedded in its Rider 15 tariff,
15 while PEPCo's tariff does not describe the incentive computation (or even
16 specify the inclusion of price mitigation).

17 **IV. Improving Estimates of Energy DRIPE**

18 **Q: You discuss in Section III.A problems in the energy DRIPE values, due to**
19 **the use of a production-costing model. Are there other problems with the**
20 **DRIPE values used in those analyses?**

21 A: Yes. Not all energy purchased for retail load will be affected by reductions in
22 market prices in the short term, due to (1) existing full-service contracts for the
23 Standard Offer Service ("SOS") offered by the investor-owned utilities and
24 SMECo's longer-term energy procurements, and (2) contracts between cus-
25 tomers and competitive electric suppliers.

1 According to the Public Service Commission's Report to the Governor and
2 the General Assembly on the Status of Standard Offer Service, the Development
3 of Competition, and the Transition of Standard Offer Service to Default Service
4 (January 8, 2014, at 7), 52.2% of Maryland peak load was served by competitive
5 electricity suppliers at the end of 2013.

6 Contracting arrangements vary among the classes. Residential rates are
7 usually fixed for a year or less, while many large consumers have multi-year
8 fixed-price contracts with retail power marketers, up to about three years.
9 Typically, a residential customer served by a marketer will have about six
10 months left on its contract and energy DRIPE in the first year will affect only
11 half the electricity bill. For small C&I the contract period is probably longer,
12 perhaps one year. If the average contract for the mid- and large-C&I groups is
13 three years, only one third of the first year DRIPE effect will be realized, and
14 then two thirds of the second year effect, and the full effect in the third year.

15 For the customers on standard offer, the length of time before energy
16 DRIPE can affect retail prices in each class is very different. The IOUs procure
17 standard offer service (SOS) for residential and small commercial classes each
18 spring and fall, for overlapping two-year periods starting six months in the
19 future, with each procurement covering about 25% of the load. Following a
20 procurement, the prices are 100% fixed for the next year, 75% and 50% fixed
21 for the next two half-years (averaging about 63% fixed in the second year), and
22 25% fixed in the first half of the following year (or an average of 12.5% in year
23 three). For mid-sized C&I customers, the procurements are for just three
24 months, conducted shortly before the beginning of delivery, so only about two
25 months (or 16% of the first year) are fixed on average. Any large C&I customers
26 served by the utility are charged spot-market prices and are unhedged.

1 The Southern Maryland Electric Cooperative does not procure full-
2 requirement contracts, but instead builds up a portfolio of capacity and energy
3 contracts of varying duration (and varying shape, for the energy component),
4 supplemented by short-term and spot purchases and sales and payments for
5 other PJM services (e.g., ancillary service). I have not found any detailed
6 information on SMECo's contracting strategy. If SMECo is heavily hedged in
7 the long-term market, load reductions (from any utility's energy-efficiency pro-
8 gram) may not affect SMECo's customers for several years. If SMECo plans for
9 purchasing a significant amount of energy on the spot market, energy-efficiency
10 savings may affect those costs almost immediately.

11 From the percentage of load on competitive service, the assumptions above
12 regarding the duration of competitive contract prices and utility-service prices
13 (or alternative reasonable assumptions), and the breakdown of sales among the
14 rate classes (which we do not have readily available) are straightforward in
15 order to estimate the percentage of total load covered by fixed prices in each of
16 the first few years following an energy-efficiency investment. That portion of
17 the load should be excluded from the DRIPE computation, unless there is good
18 reason to believe that the prices charged by wholesale suppliers to the utilities,
19 and prices charged by retail suppliers directly to the consumers, reflect planned
20 reductions years in advance.

21 **V. Capacity Markets within Maryland**

22 **Q: What issues do you address in this section?**

23 A: I discuss the factors that influence whether the various LDAs that cover various
24 parts of Maryland will separate, the likelihood of separation, and probable long-
25 term average-capacity-price trends.

1 **Q: What factors determine whether the various LDAs clear at the same price,**
2 **or separate?**

3 A: Whether the MAAC zone (and its sub-LDAs) separate from the RTO in the
4 future depends on the demand-supply balances in the RTO and in MAAC, which
5 in turn depends on the following factors:

- 6 • relative rates of load growth in MAAC and rest-of-RTO. The PJM Load
7 Forecast Report (revised February 2014) projects 0.8% annual growth in
8 PJM RTO summer peak and 0.6% in MAAC,
- 9 • relative rates of energy-efficiency development in MAAC and rest-of-RTO,
- 10 • retirements in the rest-of-RTO zone,
- 11 • retirements in MAAC,
- 12 • additions in RTO and MAAC,
- 13 • transmission additions. The probability of zones and LDAs separating falls
14 as transmission is added between various combinations of those areas.

15 **Q: What is the prospect for retirements outside MAAC affecting future**
16 **capacity prices?**

17 A: The rest-of-RTO LDA cleared a large amount of coal capacity in the 2017/18
18 BRA, and some fraction of that remaining capacity may drop out of the capacity
19 market in future auctions.¹¹ Much of the pressure on coal plants comes from
20 existing and pending environmental-compliance requirements, including MATS,
21 CSAPR, the regional-haze rule, cooling-water regulations under §316(b) of the
22 Clean Water Act, effluent limits, and the carbon-emissions limits under the
23 Clean Power Plan.

¹¹This process is well under way. From 2016/17 to 2017/18, PJM reported 7,150 MW of reductions in generation capacity bids outside MAAC, apparently excluding the plants (like the Illinois nuclear units) that bid and did not clear (2017/2018 RPM Base Residual Auction Results at 22–23 and Table 7A).

1 The generation affiliates of the major Ohio utilities have asked the Ohio
2 PUC to subsidize almost 7,000 MW of older plants (3,200 MW of FirstEnergy
3 coal and nuclear, 3,500 MW of AEP coal, and 240 MW of Duke coal) with life-
4 of-unit firm contracts to cover the difference between the plants' costs and
5 market revenues. Part of their justification for the requests is that the capacity is
6 vulnerable to retirement if the proposals are rejected.¹²

7 In 2013, the Brattle Group forecasted that about 12,000 to 18,000 MW of
8 coal capacity in non-MAAC PJM would be retired in the 2014–2018 period.¹³
9 Since PJM reports that only about 8,700 MW of coal was retired (or is
10 scheduled for retirement) outside of MAAC from late 2014 to May 2018 (the
11 period covered by past BRAs), 3,000 to 9,000 MW of coal capacity remains at
12 risk for delivery years 2018/19 and beyond.

13 In addition to the environmental regulations, PJM is in the process of
14 changing its capacity-market rules to impose penalties on generators for not
15 being on line when needed and to reward them for producing capacity above
16 their contract level. Since some of those capacity needs occur outside the peak
17 hours, units that are not always on line and take hours to ramp up to full output
18 (most oil- and gas-fueled steam plants, and some coal plants) are likely to
19 reduce their capacity bids, so that the penalties when they are off line will be
20 balanced by the rewards when they are operating during a capacity requirement.
21 The resulting lower MW bids may cause some of these units to retire entirely.
22 Both reduced bids and retirements will tend to drive up capacity prices.

¹²www.midwestenergynews.com/2014/08/14/firstenergy-touts-benefits-of-plan-critics-decry-as-bailout/

¹³www.brattle.com/system/publications/pdfs/000/004/966/original/Coal_Plant_Retirements_-_Feedback_Effects_on_Wholesale_Electricity_Prices.pdf

1 The 3,700 MW of Exelon nuclear units in the PJM portion of Illinois that
2 did not clear in the 2017/18 BRA may be kept on line by Illinois legislative or
3 regulatory initiatives (e.g., some form of credit for CO₂ compliance, increased
4 transmission to relieve low local energy prices) and return in the 2018/19 BRA.
5 On the other hand, the low wind-related LMPs that Exelon blames for the poor
6 economics of Quad Cities and Byron may spread to other Exelon nuclear units
7 in Illinois. The energy-price effects of the additional wind energy may be offset
8 by additional transmission within western PJM and surrounding MISO regions.

9 **Q: What is the prospect for retirements in MAAC affecting future capacity**
10 **prices?**

11 A: In November 2013, NRG requested permission from PJM to deactivate the coal-
12 fired units at Chalk Point (667 MW) and Dickerson (537 MW) by May 2017,
13 which was granted. In early May 2014, NRG delayed those retirements to May
14 2018, keeping them in the 2017/18 auction, in which they cleared. While NRG
15 might decide to keep these units operating for a few more years, they face
16 considerable environmental compliance costs. The Brattle Group forecast
17 retirements of as much as 2,500 MW of coal-fired capacity in MAAC remain at
18 risk (only about 20% of the non-MAAC retirements). About 1,000 MW of coal
19 retirements are reflected in the completed BRAs, and the Chalk Point and
20 Dickerson retirements would total another 1,200 MW, leaving only about 300
21 MW at risk (under 10% of the non-MAAC value).

22 Oyster Creek, which did not clear in the 2017/18 BRA, is under a consent
23 decree that will require its retirement by 2019 for compliance with the Clean
24 Water Act, so it is probably permanently out of the capacity market. Other
25 MAAC nuclear capacity is not as vulnerable to concentrations of renewables as
26 are the Illinois nuclear units.

1 **Q: Would retirement of another 1,000 to 2,000 MW of MAAC capacity have**
2 **caused the MAAC price to separate from the rest of the RTO in the 2017/18**
3 **BRA?**

4 A: No. The PJM sensitivity analysis for the 2017/18 BRA found that MAAC would
5 not have separated from the RTO, even if 3,000 MW or 6,000 MW of low-cost
6 MAAC resources were retired. Depending on which zones the capacity were
7 from, the higher level could cause EMAAC capacity prices to rise above the
8 level of the RTO and MAAC.¹⁴

9 **Q: How much additional capacity in the rest of the RTO would have caused**
10 **the RTO price to fall below the MAAC price in the 2017/18 BRA?**

11 A: The PJM sensitivity analysis for the 2017/18 BRA found that adding 3,000 MW
12 of low-cost resources outside of MAAC would have reduced capacity prices in
13 both MAAC and the Rest of RTO zone, but would not have caused the prices to
14 separate from one another. Prices would separate if 6,000 MW were added in
15 non-MAAC areas and if none were added in MAAC. That would be an extreme
16 outcome, given that 59% of new PJM generation has been in MAAC in the last
17 three BRAs, or 1.5 times the generation added outside MAAC.

18 **Q: How are additions in RTO and MAAC likely to affect whether their prices**
19 **separate?**

20 A: Recent capacity additions indicate that large amounts of generation can be added
21 in both MAAC and the rest of the RTO, at similar prices. The PJM auction
22 reports provide a limited breakdown of new generation units bid and cleared, by
23 location (EMAAC, MAAC and total RTO) and technology (including

¹⁴The PJM analysis assumed about half the MAAC capacity reductions would be in EMAAC.

combined-cycle, combustion turbine, and seven other categories).¹⁵ The reports do not break out the amounts that cleared in individual zones (such as ATSI and PSEG) that cleared at prices higher than the surrounding LDA. Nonetheless, the reports give me enough information to compute the minimum gas-fired capacity that cleared at the MAAC and rest-of-RTO prices, by taking the worst case: all the EMAAC capacity was at the higher PSEG zonal price, all the EMAAC capacity was gas, and all the new rest-of-RTO generation in 2016/17 cleared at the higher ATSI zonal price.¹⁶

Table 3 summarizes these data for each of the last three capacity auctions, along with the annual capacity price for each year and each of these three LDAs. In addition to upgrades, reactivations, renewables, and other new resources, at least 8,000 MW of combined-cycles and combustion turbines were added in the areas that cleared at \$120/MW-day or less in the last two auctions, of which 3,800 MW was in MAAC.

Table 3: Summary of New Generation Clearing PJM Auctions

	2015/16	2016/17	2017/18
<i>Locations of Generation Added (MW)</i>			
EMAAC	2,314	59	1,746
MAAC	2,991	1,555	4,418
Total RTO	4,899	4,282	5,927
Rest of MAAC	677	1,496	2,672
Rest of RTO	1,908	2,727	1,510
<i>Type of New Generation Added (MW)</i>			
CT/GT	1,383	171	131

¹⁵2017/2018 RPM Base Residual Auction Results, PJM, 6/18/2014, Tables 2A and 8, and comparable tables from the 2015/16 and 2016/17. www.pjm.com/~media/markets-ops/rpm/rpm-auction-info/2017-2018-base-residual-auction-report.ashx

¹⁶The ATSI zone did not separate in 2017/18, and the 2015/16 ATSI price was so much higher than the other LDA prices that I could derive no useful information on the prices at which new generation cleared.

CC	5,915	4,995	5,010
Other	362	149	248
Total	7,659	5,314	5,389
<i>Minimum Gas outside EMAAC but in:</i>			
MAAC	315	1,347	2,424
RTO		4,074	3,933
<i>Max Clearing Price(\$/MW-Day)</i>			
MAAC	\$167	\$119	\$120
Rest of RTO	Note a	\$114	\$120

Note a: ATSI price was six times rest of western PJM; no useful breakout possible.

1 If MAAC continues to add capacity at those prices, its capacity price is
2 even less unlikely to separate from the rest-of-RTO price.

3 **Q: What do you conclude about the relationship of future capacity prices**
4 **between Potomac Edison and the other Maryland utilities?**

5 A: While some combinations of load growth, resource additions and retirements
6 could cause prices to separate, the most likely outcome of future BRAs is that
7 all the Maryland utilities will clear as part of the RTO, although it is also
8 possible that the MAAC would separate from the RTO in some auctions, raising
9 the MAAC price and reducing the RTO price.

10 As a result, the avoided capacity price is likely to be consistent across
11 Maryland in most years, and the capacity DRIPE values are likely to be identical
12 for all Maryland utilities.

13 **VI. Estimating Capacity DRIPE for Maryland Utilities**

14 **Q: How should capacity DRIPE be estimated for Maryland utilities?**

15 A: I have discussed the steps in the computation of capacity DRIPE in Sections
16 III.B and V. In this section, I will summarize what I believe are the best current
17 approaches for the following four issues:

- 1 • potential price effects and scope,
- 2 • utility bidding strategies in the BRAs,
- 3 • reduction for hedged supply,
- 4 • market response and DRIPE decay.

5 **A. *Potential Price Effect and Scope***

6 **Q: What do you mean by potential price effect and scope?**

7 A: I mean the total capacity price suppression that would occur if not for three
8 offsetting factors (savings that are not bid into the first applicable BRA, the
9 effect of existing contracts, and market response) and the amount of load that
10 benefits from the price reduction. The scope of the effect is closely related to the
11 manner in which the potential price effect is estimated.

12 **Q: How should these factors be computed?**

13 A: I have used two approaches. The first is to use the New Equilibrium approach
14 that MEA developed (but then ignored) in the VRR Curve Capacity DRIPE
15 document. The second relies on the sensitivity analyses that PJM releases after
16 every BRA.

17 **Q: How would capacity DRIPE developed with the New Equilibrium approach**
18 **differ from the values that the utilities used?**

19 A: The New Equilibrium estimates the actual price shift that would occur with
20 additional energy-efficiency load reductions, rather than the arbitrary and
21 incorrect value used by the utilities, but the application of this corrected value
22 would be very similar to the computation that MEA developed for its 50% VRR
23 estimate. Table 4 compares the values for the two approaches from the MEA
24 exhibit, with a couple adjustments. First, I recomputed the New Equilibrium
25 slopes for 2017/18, which MEA had assumed would be the same as 2016/17.

Second, I reflect the reality that MAAC is part of the RTO, so load and supply changes in MAAC also affect prices in the rest-of-RTO zone.¹⁷

In the 2017/18 BRA, the Maryland portions of MAAC did not separate from the rest of the RTO, so the load reductions in the rest of RTO (including Potomac Edison) would affect prices paid throughout Maryland and load reductions in MAAC moves prices in MAAC and RTO along the RTO equilibrium slope.

Table 4: New Equilibrium and 50% VRR Potential Capacity DRIPE

	2014/15	2015/16	2016/17	2017/18	Average 16/17 & 17/18
<i>RTO Slopes (\$/MW-Day/MW)</i>					
VRR B-C	\$0.0532	\$0.0455	\$0.0460	\$0.0493	
VRR 50%	\$0.0266	\$0.0227	\$0.0230	\$0.0246	
New Equilibrium	\$0.0163	\$0.0129	\$0.0070	\$0.0071	\$0.0070
<i>MAAC Slopes (\$/MW-Day/MW)</i>					
VRR B-C	\$0.0773	\$0.0862	\$0.0885	\$0.1012	
VRR 50%	\$0.0386	\$0.0431	\$0.0443	\$0.0506	
New Equilibrium	\$0.0338	\$0.0266	\$0.0167	\$0.0071	\$0.0167
<i>MD UCAP Obligation (MW)</i>					
RTO (PE)	1,601	1,636	1,669	1,685	1,677
MAAC (Other utilities)	13,435	13,331	13,433	13,266	13,350
<i>MEA DRIPE Values (\$/MW-day)</i>					
PE @ RTO	\$42.59	\$37.20	\$38.39	\$41.53	
MD MAAC Load @ MAAC	\$519.10	\$574.79	\$594.75	\$671.60	
<i>Equilibrium DRIPE Values (\$/MW-day)</i>					
PE @ RTO	\$26.04	\$21.04	\$11.66	\$11.98	
MD MAAC Load @ MAAC	\$453.95	\$354.40	\$224.98	\$94.27	
Total PE (PE + MAAC in 17/18)	\$26.04	\$21.04	\$11.66	\$106.25	\$58.96
Total MAAC (MAAC + PE)	\$479.99	\$375.44	\$236.64	\$106.25	\$171.45
<i>Equilibrium Value as % MEA</i>					
PE	61%	57%	30%	29%	
MD MAAC	92%	65%	40%	35%	

¹⁷The rest-of-RTO price is determined by total demand and supply in the RTO, not just the residual outside constrained LDAs.

1 **Q: Is this a comprehensive analysis of the potential capacity-price effects, prior**
2 **to the three adjustments you listed above?**

3 A: No. Table 4 accounts for effects of rest-of-RTO load on MAAC price only in
4 2017/18. As I discuss below, PJM has found that increasing resources in the rest
5 of the RTO reduces prices in MAAC. The data in the MEA exhibit do not
6 provide any insight into the magnitude of these effects.

7 **Q: Do the PJM sensitivity analyses provide a more-comprehensive view of the**
8 **capacity DRIPE effects than the MEA analysis?**

9 A: Yes. MEA's analysis is a commendable effort to use the available information on
10 the supply and VRR curves (up to the final error in using the 50% VRR slope,
11 rather than the New Equilibrium slope). Nonetheless it relies on visual
12 estimation of the supply slope from a graph that PJM manipulates to obscure
13 individual bids. MEA's approach also cannot directly estimate the effect of rest-
14 of-RTO load and resources on MAAC prices.

15 The sensitivity analyses represent PJM's hypothetical reruns of the BRA,
16 adding or subtracting various amounts of low-price capacity in one or more
17 LDAs.¹⁸ The results should reflect all the complexities of the operation of the
18 PJM capacity auctions, including the differing VRRs in the modeled zones and
19 LDAs. Table 5 shows the average \$/MW-day change in price in various LDAs
20 for adding or subtracting a MW of supply in each of four zones.¹⁹ The top
21 section shows the average of additions and reductions of capacity over three
22 years in which MAAC prices separated from the RTO price (averaging a total of

¹⁸The sensitivity analysis for each BRA is available at www.pjm.com/markets-and-operations/rpm/rpm-auction-user-info.aspx, under the drop-down list for that BRA.

¹⁹Where PJM modeled multiple changes (e.g., $\pm 2,000$ MW and $\pm 4,000$ MW), I use the slope for the smaller range, to better represent the scale of energy-efficiency programs.

six slopes), while the bottom section shows the results from 2017/18, when MAAC cleared at the RTO price and PJM did not model EMAAC and SWMAAC separately in the sensitivity analysis.

Table 5: Summary of PJM Sensitivity Analyses

	Price Change (\$/MW-day) from 1-MW change in LDA in			
	RTO	MAAC	EMAAC	SWMAAC
<i>2014/15 to 2016/17</i>				
Rest of RTO	-0.0084	-0.0018		
Western MAAC (MAAC in 2014/15)	-0.0029	-0.0151		
EMAAC	-0.0014		-0.0124	-0.0099
SWMAAC	-0.0063		-0.0171	-0.0173
<i>2017/18</i>				
Rest of RTO	-0.0073	-0.0073		
MAAC	-0.0064	-0.0064		

Table 6: Potential DRIPE from PJM Sensitivity Scenario Studies

	2014/15	2015/16	2016/17	2017/18	Average 16/17 & 17/18
<i>Change in RTO Price (\$/MW-Day/MW)</i>					
per MW in RTO (RTO/RTO)	\$0.0080	\$0.0102	\$0.0090	\$0.0087	
Per MW in MAAC (RTO/MAAC)	\$0.0042	\$0.0028	\$0.0015	\$0.0069	
<i>Change in MAAC Price (\$/MW-Day/MW)</i>					
per MW in RTO (MAAC/RTO)	\$0.0040	\$0.0025	\$0.0005	\$0.0064	
Per MW in MAAC (MAAC/MAAC)	\$0.0146	\$0.0149	\$0.0163	\$0.0069	
<i>MD UCAP Obligation (MW)</i>					
RTO (PE)	1,601	1,636	1,669	1,685	1,677
MAAC (Other utilities)	13,435	13,331	13,433	13,266	13,350
<i>Equilibrium DRIPE Values (\$/MW-day)</i>					
PE @ RTO/RTO + Others @ MAAC/RTO	\$67.11	\$50.32	\$21.12	\$99.17	\$60.14
Others @ MAAC/MAAC + PE @ RTO/MAAC	\$202.61	\$202.98	\$221.01	\$103.25	\$162.13

The annual sensitivity scenario results are provided in Exhibit PLC-3.

Q: How do these results compare to the New Equilibrium slopes estimated by MEA?

A: The RTO slopes for 2014/15 through 2016/17 in MEA's analysis average \$0.012/MW-day per MW of resource change, or about 40% more than the value estimated in the PJM sensitivities. For SWMAAC, the MEA average was

1 \$0.0257/MW-day per MW, about 50% higher than the PJM results. The western
2 MAAC and EMAAC values are even lower.²⁰ No information is available on the
3 2017/18 supply curve to drive the MEA estimates; using the 2016/17 supply
4 curve and MEA's method, I estimated a 2017/18 slope of \$0.0071/MW-day per
5 MW in the RTO, which includes MAAC; that value is close the PJM sensitivity
6 results for the RTO, and only exceeds the PJM sensitivity result for MAAC by
7 about 10%.

8 **Q: What values should the utilities use for the capacity DRIPE slope and**
9 **potential \$/MW-day benefit per MW of energy-efficiency additions?**

10 A: For 2014/15 through 2017/18, capacity that was bid into the auctions should be
11 valued at the slopes in Table 5 (or Exhibit PLC-3, to separate the three auctions).
12 After 2017/18, I recommend using the 2017/18 slopes from Table 5, or if there
13 is reason to believe that the MAAC price may separate from the RTO, the
14 average of the 2016/17 and 2017/18 slopes. In addition, the post-2017/18
15 DRIPE value should escalate with expected load growth and possibly with
16 general inflation.²¹ In all years, the DRIPE effect should be recognized for all
17 Maryland load, although Potomac Edison's effect on the other utilities is
18 sometimes lower than the MAAC utilities' effects on prices in MAAC, and vice
19 versa.

²⁰Since some of the resource changes that PJM models in EMAAC are in the PSEG load pocket, the EMAAC are probably not representative of changes in DPL's service territory, which generally follows SWMAAC rather than PSEG.

²¹Whether capacity DRIPE is driven by inflation is an open question. The costs of new resources will rise, but their net energy revenues may also rise, reducing the net cost that new resources must recover from the capacity market. The cost of capacity may rise over time, but the slope of the supply curve may flatten.

1 **B. *Timing of the Initial Price Effect***

2 **Q: How should the phase-in of DRIPE be structured to represent the timing of**
3 **capacity bids for the energy-efficiency programs?**

4 A: I have not been able to completely sort out the data on the utilities' demand
5 reduction (cumulative and annual, net and gross, calendar year and delivery
6 year) and on their reported energy-efficiency capacity bids (new and cumulative,
7 reflecting PJM's four-year limit on claiming energy-efficiency savings). How-
8 ever, BGE's response to OPC DR 3-2 in Case No. 9154 (9/30/2014) indicates
9 that it has bid in 50% to 58% of the total "capabilities of its energy efficiency
10 (EE) measures in delivery years 2015-16, 2016-17 and 2017-18." I attach this
11 response as Exhibit PLC-4.

12 The utilities should provide consistent, transparent data that would allow
13 the Commission to review and approve their strategy for bidding capacity into
14 the BRAs, including the following information:

- 15 • the load reduction the utility experienced or expects by the beginning of
16 each capacity delivery year,
- 17 • the portion of that load reduction counted for four years and hence expiring
18 prior to delivery year,
- 19 • the portion of the load reduction that is not eligible under the PJM-
20 approved Measurement & Verification protocols,
- 21 • the amount bid and cleared in the BRA for that delivery year.

22 **Q: What do you propose the utilities assume about the timing of their bidding**
23 **until they can compile the analysis you describe above?**

24 A: It appears from the BGE response that it bids about 50% of its eligible energy-
25 efficiency demand reductions, which would support an incremental phase-in
26 such as the following:

- 1 • 12% bid in the installation year (since most installations in any calendar
- 2 year will not count as resources in the BRA or affect prices until the next
- 3 year),
- 4 • 26% bid in the second year,
- 5 • 12% bid in the third year,
- 6 • 12.5% reflected in the load forecast for the fourth year (as I discuss in
- 7 Section III.B),
- 8 • 25% reflected in the load forecast for the fifth year, and
- 9 • 12.5% reflected in the load forecast for the sixth year, for a total effect of
- 10 100% for measures that last that long.

11 These estimates are subject to revision if the utilities can produce better
12 evidence.

13 ***C. Reduction for Hedged Supply***

14 **Q: What reduction in DRIPE to reflect the hedging of supply do you suggest?**

15 A: As I note in Section 2, it is difficult to determine the extent to which customers
16 not taking standard offer supply are hedged, since the contract terms are not
17 generally public. Pending better information, I suggest assuming the following
18 percentages of hedged supply:

- 19 • 60% in the installation year,
- 20 • 35% in the second year,
- 21 • 10% in the third year,
- 22 • zero thereafter.

23 The unhedged portion in the first year would be the sum of the percentage
24 of load on contracts indexed to actual prices, the prorated load that switches to a
25 new contract in the year, and the portion of standard-offer load that is repriced
26 during the year.

1 **D. *Decay of the Price Effect***

2 **Q: Why would the price effect of a load reduction decline over time?**

3 A: The DRIPE effect is gradually offset by market responses over time. Lower
4 prices may result in some additional retail load. The lower prices may also result
5 in retirement of some generation units and demand response projects that are
6 then removed from the supply curve for future auctions, as well as possibly
7 delaying proposed resources unit they are canceled.

8 **Q: How do you suggest reflecting that decline?**

9 A: Modeling these effects in any rigorous manner is very challenging. The MEA
10 assumed that “DRIPE benefits will be decayed over a period of 10 years,
11 decreasing at a 20% compound rate in the first five years and straight line for
12 the remaining five years” (EmPOWER 2015–2017 Cost Effectiveness
13 Framework, August 18, 2014, at 10) That seems reasonable.

14 **E. *Summary of Capacity DRIPE Recommendation***

15 **Q: What would be the result of the assumptions you discuss above, regarding**
16 **capacity DRIPE?**

17 A: Table 7 summarizes the development of DRIPE for measures installed in
18 MAAC in 2015, based on the values I discuss above.

Table 7: Summary of DRIPE Estimate for 2015 Installations in MAAC
(\$/MW-day)

Bidding Strategy										
Potential DRIPE Hedged			50% bid in			50% reflected in forecasts			Decay from 1 st year reflected	Net DRIPE
			2015	2016	2017	2019	2020	2021		
	<i>a</i>	<i>b</i>	<i>c</i>	<i>d</i>	<i>e</i>	<i>f</i>	<i>g</i>	<i>h</i>	<i>i</i>	<i>j</i>
2015	\$202.61	60%	12%						100%	\$9.85
2016	\$202.98	35%	12%	26%					80%	\$46.73
2017	\$221.01	10%	12%	26%	12%				64%	\$80.53
2018	\$103.25		12%	26%	12%				51%	\$33.44
2019	\$162.25		12%	26%	12%	12.5%			41%	\$62.32
2020	\$166.59		12%	26%	12%	12.5%	25%		33%	\$92.84
2021	\$170.37		12%	26%	12%	12.5%	25%	12.5%	25%	\$96.91
2022	\$174.30		12%	26%	12%	12.5%	25%	12.5%	16%	\$77.89
2023	\$177.77		12%	26%	12%	12.5%	25%	12.5%	8%	\$60.64
2024	\$182.03		12%	26%	12%	12.5%	25%	12.5%	0%	\$45.20
2025	\$186.39		12%	26%	12%	12.5%	25%	12.5%		\$32.39
2026	\$190.77		12%	26%	12%	12.5%	25%	12.5%		\$23.44
2027	\$194.81		12%	26%	12%	12.5%	25%	12.5%		\$15.96
2028	\$198.67		12%	26%	12%	12.5%	25%	12.5%		\$8.14
2029	\$202.96		12%	26%	12%	12.5%	25%	12.5%		\$2.08
PV 2015 @ 5.5%										\$486.24

The net DRIPE is the potential DRIPE, times 1 minus the hedged percentage, times the sum of the six columns *c–h*, each multiplied by the decay factor in column *i*. The decay associated with each of the six columns of the bidding strategy starts with the first year that there is a value in the column, so column *i* shifts one row down for column *d*, five rows for column *h*.

Table 8 shows the net DRIPE values for each installation date. The columns identify the LDA and installation year, and each row represents the capacity DRIPE value in a given calendar year, for measures that last that long.

Table 8: Summary of DRIPE Values (\$/MW-Day)

	2015 Installation		2016 Installation		2017 Installation	
	RTO/PE	MAAC	RTO/PE	MAAC	RTO/PE	MAAC
2015	\$1.39	\$9.63				
2016	\$10.29	\$50.60	\$1.39	\$9.63		
2017	\$8.30	\$80.53	\$10.29	\$50.60	\$1.39	\$9.63
2018	\$37.41	\$30.59	\$8.30	\$80.53	\$10.29	\$50.60
2019	\$28.87	\$60.61	\$37.41	\$30.59	\$8.30	\$80.53
2020	\$45.87	\$90.29	\$28.87	\$60.61	\$37.41	\$30.59
2021	\$48.78	\$94.26	\$45.87	\$90.29	\$28.87	\$60.61
2022	\$39.56	\$75.76	\$48.78	\$94.26	\$45.87	\$90.29
2023	\$31.33	\$58.98	\$39.56	\$75.76	\$48.78	\$94.26
2024	\$24.07	\$43.96	\$31.33	\$58.98	\$39.56	\$75.76
2025	\$17.78	\$31.50	\$24.07	\$43.96	\$31.33	\$58.98
2026	\$12.49	\$22.80	\$17.78	\$31.50	\$24.07	\$43.96
2027	\$8.51	\$15.52	\$12.49	\$22.80	\$17.78	\$31.50
2028	\$4.34	\$7.91	\$8.51	\$15.52	\$12.49	\$22.80
2029	\$1.11	\$2.02	\$4.34	\$7.91	\$8.51	\$15.52
2030			\$1.11	\$2.02	\$4.34	\$7.91
2031					\$1.11	\$2.02

For example, the net DRIPE value for a BGE measure installed in 2016 and reducing load by one MW would be \$94.26 per day in 2021.

F. Capacity Price

Q: What capacity price would you expect in future capacity auctions?

A: Table 3 above (at 34), shows that both MAAC and the rest of the RTO were able to add thousands of megawatts of gas generation at prices less than \$120/MW-day, even in a period of significant environmentally driven retirements, totaling about 12,000 MW in 2016/17 and 2017/18. While the real cost of building new gas units might increase over time, as the best sites are used and developers move on to less desirable sites, there seem to be many potential sites for new gas-fired units in both MAAC and the rest-of-RTO. Furthermore, more sites (with appropriate zoning, transmission access, cooling water, and other infrastructure) will open up as coal plants are retired.

1 The annual costs of new units are likely to rise somewhat as the Federal
2 Reserve Bank allows interest rates to rise. And the price will undoubtedly
3 fluctuate from year to year, depending on such factors as the rate at which
4 renewables and energy-efficiency resources are developed, the timing of new
5 construction, and the extent to which last-minute retirements create previously
6 unforeseen capacity needs. But I do not see why the market-clearing price in
7 MAAC would rise 80% in real terms from 2017 to 2030, as MEA projects.

8 Pending further analysis, I suggest that the avoided capacity cost be limited
9 to 2% real escalation from the 2017/18 market-clearing price.

10 **Q: Does this conclude your testimony?**

11 A: Yes.

Exhibit PLC-1

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Critique of company approach, data, and statistical analysis; description of comparative and absolute approaches to standard-setting; proposals for standards and reporting requirements.

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Profit margin calculations, including methodology, interest rates, surplus flow, tax flows, tax rates, and risk premium.

- 23. Ill. Commerce Commission 82-0026;** Commonwealth Edison rate case; Illinois Attorney General. October 15 1982.

Review of Cost-Benefit Analysis for nuclear plant. Nuclear cost parameters (construction cost, O&M, capital additions, useful life, capacity factor), risks, discount rates, evaluation techniques.

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Review of Cost-Benefit Analysis for transmission line. Review of electricity price forecast, nuclear capacity factors, load forecast. Critique of company ratemaking proposals; development of alternative ratemaking proposal.

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Cost of Seabrook nuclear power plants, including construction cost and duration, capacity factor, O&M, capital additions, insurance and decommissioning.

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Critique of company approach and statistical analysis; regression model of nuclear capacity factor; proposals for standards and for standard-setting methodologies.

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Profit margin calculations, including methodology, interest rates.

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Industrial rate design. Marginal and embedded costs; classification of generation, transmission, and distribution expenses; demand versus energy charges.

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Need for transmission line. Status of supply plan, especially Seabrook 2. Review of interconnection requirements. Analysis of cost-effectiveness for power transfer, line losses, generation assumptions.

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Review of proposed performance target for new nuclear power plant. Formulation of alternative proposals.

- 31. Mass. DPU 84-25;** Western Massachusetts Electric Company rate case; Massachusetts Attorney General. April 6 1984.

Need for Millstone 3. Cost of completing and operating unit, cost-effectiveness compared to alternatives, and its effect on rates. Equity and incentive problems created by CWIP. Design of Millstone 3 phase-in proposals to protect ratepayers: limitation of base-rate treatment to fuel savings benefit of unit.

- 32. Mass. DPU 84-49 and 84-50;** Fitchburg Gas & Electric financing case; Massachusetts Attorney General. April 13 1984.

Cost of completing and operating Seabrook nuclear units. Probability of completing Seabrook 2. Recommendations regarding FG&E and MDPU actions with respect to Seabrook.

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Review of proposed performance targets for two existing and two new nuclear power plants. Formulation of alternative policy.

- 34. FERC ER81-749-000 and ER82-325-000;** Montaup Electric rate cases; Massachusetts Attorney General. April 27 1984.

Prudence of Montaup and Boston Edison in decisions regarding Pilgrim 2 construction: Montaup's decision to participate, the Utilities' failure to review their earlier analyses and assumptions, Montaup's failure to question Edison's decisions, and the utilities' delay in canceling the unit.

- 35. Maine PUC 84-113;** Seabrook 1 investigation; Maine Public Advocate. September 13 1984.

Cost of completing and operating Seabrook Unit 1. Probability of completing Seabrook 1. Comparison of Seabrook to alternatives. Rate effects. Recommendations regarding utility and PUC actions with respect to Seabrook.

- 36. Mass. DPU 84-145;** Fitchburg Gas and Electric rate case; Massachusetts Attorney General. November 6 1984.

Prudence of Fitchburg and Public Service of New Hampshire in decision regarding Seabrook 2 construction: FGE's decision to participate, the utilities' failure to review their earlier analyses and assumptions, FGE's failure to question PSNH's decisions, and utilities' delay in halting construction and canceling the unit. Review of literature, cost and schedule estimate histories, cost-benefit analyses, and financial feasibility.

- 37. Penn. PUC R-842651;** Pennsylvania Power and Light rate case; Pennsylvania Consumer Advocate. November 1984.

Need for Susquehanna 2. Cost of operating unit, power output, cost-effectiveness compared to alternatives, and its effect on rates. Design of phase-in and excess capacity proposals to protect ratepayers: limitation of base-rate treatment to fuel savings benefit of unit.

- 38. N.H. PSC 84-200;** Seabrook Unit 1 investigation; New Hampshire Public Advocate. November 15 1984.

Cost of completing and operating Seabrook Unit 1. Probability of completing Seabrook 1. Comparison of Seabrook to alternatives. Rate and financial effects.

- 39. Mass. Division of Insurance;** Hearing to fix and establish 1986 automobile insurance rates; Massachusetts Attorney General. November 1984.

Profit margin calculations, including methodology and implementation.

- 40. Mass. DPU 84-152;** Seabrook Unit 1 investigation; Massachusetts Attorney General. December 12 1984.

Cost of completing and operating Seabrook. Probability of completing Seabrook 1. Seabrook capacity factors.

- 41. Maine PUC 84-120;** Central Maine Power rate case; Maine PUC Staff. December 11 1984.

Prudence of Central Maine Power and Boston Edison in decisions regarding Pilgrim 2 construction: CMP's decision to participate, the utilities' failure to review their earlier analyses and assumptions, CMP's failure to question Edison's decisions, and the utilities' delay in canceling the unit. Prudence of CMP in the planning and investment in Sears Island nuclear and coal plants. Review of literature, cost and schedule estimate histories, cost-benefit analyses, and financial feasibility.

- 42. Maine PUC 84-113;** Seabrook 2 investigation; Maine PUC Staff. December 14 1984.

Prudence of Maine utilities and Public Service of New Hampshire in decisions regarding Seabrook 2 construction: decisions to participate and to increase ownership share, the utilities' failure to review their earlier analyses and assumptions, failure to question PSNH's decisions, and the utilities' delay in halting construction and canceling the unit. Review of literature, cost and schedule estimate histories, cost-benefit analyses, and financial feasibility.

- 43. Mass. DPU 1627;** Massachusetts Municipal Wholesale Electric Company financing case; Massachusetts Executive Office of Energy Resources. January 14 1985.

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- 44. Vt. PSB 4936;** Millstone 3 costs and in-service date; Vermont Department of Public Service. January 21 1985.

Construction schedule and cost of completing Millstone Unit 3.

- 45. Mass. DPU 84-276;** Rules governing rates for utility purchases of power from qualifying facilities; Massachusetts Attorney General. March 25 1985, and October 18 1985.

Institutional and technological advantages of Qualifying Facilities. Potential for QF development. Goals of QF rate design. Parity with other power sources. Security requirements. Projecting avoided costs. Capacity credits. Pricing options. Line loss corrections.

- 46. Mass. DPU 85-121;** Investigation of the Reading Municipal Light Department; Wilmington (Mass.) Chamber of Commerce. November 12 1985.

Calculation on return on investment for municipal utility. Treatment of depreciation and debt for ratemaking. Geographical discrimination in street-lighting rates. Relative size of voluntary payments to Reading and other towns. Surplus and disinvestment. Revenue allocation.

- 47. Mass. Division of Insurance;** Hearing to fix and establish 1986 automobile insurance rates; Massachusetts Attorney General and State Rating Bureau. November 1985.

Profit margin calculations, including methodology, implementation, modeling of investment balances, income, and return to shareholders.

- 48. N.M. PSC 1833, Phase II;** El Paso Electric rate case; New Mexico Attorney General. December 23 1985.

Nuclear decommissioning fund design. Internal and external funds; risk and return; fund accumulation, recommendations. Interim performance standard for Palo Verde nuclear plant.

- 49. Penn. PUC R-850152;** Philadelphia Electric rate case; Utility Users Committee and University of Pennsylvania. January 14 1986.

Limerick-1 rate effects. Capacity benefits, fuel savings, operating costs, capacity factors, and net benefits to ratepayers. Design of phase-in proposals.

- 50. Mass. DPU 85-270;** Western Massachusetts Electric rate case; Massachusetts Attorney General. March 19 1986.

Prudence of Northeast Utilities in generation planning related to Millstone 3 construction: decisions to start and continue construction, failure to reduce ownership share, failure to pursue alternatives. Review of industry literature, cost and schedule histories, and retrospective cost-benefit analyses.

- 51. Penn. PUC R-850290;** Philadelphia Electric auxiliary service rates; Albert Einstein Medical Center, University of Pennsylvania and AMTRAK. March 24 1986.

Review of utility proposals for supplementary and backup rates for small power producers and cogenerators. Load diversity, cost of peaking capacity, value of generation, price signals, and incentives. Formulation of alternative supplementary rate.

- 52. N.M. PSC 2004;** Public Service of New Mexico, Palo Verde issues; New Mexico Attorney General. May 7 1986.

Recommendations for power-plant performance standards for Palo Verde nuclear units 1, 2, and 3.

- 53. Ill. Commerce Commission 86-0325;** Iowa-Illinois Gas and Electric Co. rate investigation; Illinois Office of Public Counsel. August 13 1986.

Determination of excess capacity based on reliability and economic concerns. Identification of specific units associated with excess capacity. Required reserve margins.

- 54. N.M. PSC 2009;** El Paso Electric rate moderation program; New Mexico Attorney General. August 18 1986. (Not presented).

Prudence of EPE in generation planning related to Palo Verde nuclear construction, including failure to reduce ownership share and failure to pursue alternatives. Review of industry literature, cost and schedule histories, and retrospective cost-benefit analyses.

Recommendation for rate-base treatment; proposal of power plant performance standards.

- 55. City of Boston Public Improvements Commission;** Transfer of Boston Edison district heating steam system to Boston Thermal Corporation; Boston Housing Authority. December 18 1986.

History and economics of steam system; possible motives of Boston Edison in seeking sale; problems facing Boston Thermal; information and assurances required prior to Commission approval of transfer.

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Profit margin calculations, including methodology, implementation, derivation of cash flows, installment income, income tax status, and return to shareholders.

- 57. Mass. DPU 87-19;** Petition for adjudication of development facilitation program; Hull (Mass.) Municipal Light Plant. January 21 1987.

Estimation of potential load growth; cost of generation, transmission, and distribution additions. Determination of hook-up charges. Development of residential load estimation procedure reflecting appliance ownership, dwelling size.

- 58. N.M. PSC 2004;** Public Service of New Mexico nuclear decommissioning fund; New Mexico Attorney General. February 19 1987.

Decommissioning cost and likely operating life of nuclear plants. Review of utility funding proposal. Development of alternative proposal. Ratemaking treatment.

- 59. Mass. DPU 86-280;** Western Massachusetts Electric rate case; Massachusetts Energy Office. March 9 1987.

Marginal cost rate design issues. Superiority of long-run marginal cost over short-run marginal cost as basis for rate design. Relationship of consumer reaction, utility planning process, and regulatory structure to rate design approach. Implementation of short-run and long-run rate designs. Demand versus energy charges, economic development rates, spot pricing.

- 60. Mass. Division of Insurance 87-9;** 1987 Workers' Compensation rate filing; State Rating Bureau. May 1987.

Profit-margin calculations, including methodology, implementation, surplus requirements, investment income, and effects of 1986 Tax Reform Act.

- 61. Texas PUC 6184;** Economic viability of South Texas Nuclear Plant #2; Committee for Consumer Rate Relief. August 17 1987.

Nuclear plant operating parameter projections; capacity factor, O&M, capital additions, decommissioning, useful life. STNP 2 cost and schedule projections. Potential for conservation.

- 62. Minn. PUC ER-015/GR-87-223;** Minnesota Power rate case; Minnesota Department of Public Service. August 17 1987.

Excess capacity on MP system; historical, current, and projected. Review of MP planning prudence prior to and during excess; efforts to sell capacity. Cost of excess capacity. Recommendations for ratemaking treatment.

- 63. Mass. Division of Insurance** 87-27; 1988 automobile insurance rates; Massachusetts Attorney General and State Rating Bureau. September 2 1987. Rebuttal October 8 1987.

Underwriting profit margins. Effect of 1986 Tax Reform Act. Biases in calculation of average margins.

- 64. Mass. DPU** 88-19; Power Sales Contract from Riverside Steam and Electric to Western Massachusetts Electric; Riverside Steam and Electric. November 4 1987.

Comparison of risk from QF contract and utility avoided cost sources. Risk of oil dependence. Discounting cash flows to reflect risk.

- 65. Mass. Division of Insurance** 87-53; 1987 Workers' Compensation rate refiling; State Rating Bureau. December 14 1987.

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ACRONYMS AND INITIALISMS

ASLRB	Atomic Safety and Licensing Board	LRAM	Lost-Revenue-Adjustment Mechanism
BEP	Board of Environmental Protection	NARUC	National Association of Regulatory Utility Commissioners
BPU	Board of Public Utilities	NEPOOL	New England Power Pool
BRC	Board of Regulatory Commissioners	NRC	Nuclear Regulatory Commission
DER	Department of Environmental Regulation	OCA	Office of Consumer Advocate
DPS	Department of Public Service	PSB	Public Service Board
DPUC	Department of Public Utilities Control	PSC	Public Service Commission
DSM	Demand-Side Management	PUC	Public Utility Commission
DTE	Department of Telecommunications and Energy	PUB	Public Utilities Board
EAB	Environmental Assessment Board	PURPA	Public Utility Regulatory Policy Act
EFSB	Energy Facilities Siting Board	SCC	State Corporation Commission
EFSC	Energy Facilities Siting Council	UARB	Utility and Review Board
EUB	Energy and Utilities Board	USAEE	U.S. Association of Energy Economists
FERC	Federal Energy Regulatory Commission	UTC	Utilities and Transportation Commission
ISO	Independent System Operator		

Exhibit PLC-2

Equivalence of Adding Energy-Efficiency Capacity and Reducing Load

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Query: Is it true that adding a given amount of capacity to a linear Supply function will result in the same price as subtracting that capacity from a linear Demand function?

For the supply curve (the price that suppliers will charge for supplying x MW):

$$S_0 = b_S + m_S x ,$$

and the demand curve (the price set by the VRR curve for x MW):

$$D_0 = b_D - m_D x$$

Note that m_D is the magnitude of the slope with the direction noted in the preceding negative sign.

A positive horizontal shift of α MW to the supply curve shifts the supply y-intercept downward. A negative horizontal shift of the demand curve shifts the demand y-intercept downward as well.

The horizontal shift of the supply curve shifts its y-intercept:

$$b_{supply\ shifted} = b_S - m_S \alpha$$

The Supply function, horizontally shifted $+\alpha$ units, equals:

$$S_{shifted} = m_S x + (b_S - m_S \alpha) = m_S (x - \alpha) + b_S$$

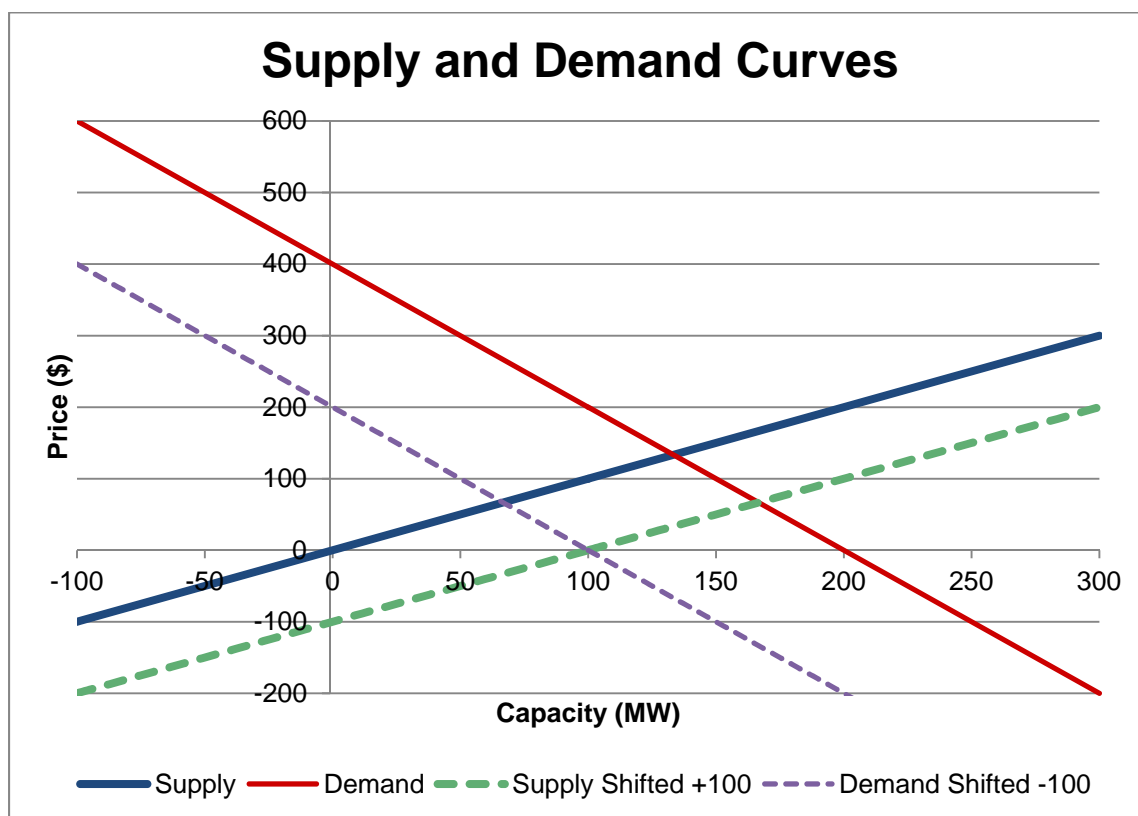
Similarly, applying a negative horizontal shift of α units to the demand curve shifts its y-intercept:

$$b_{demand\ shifted} = b_D - m_D \alpha$$

The shifted Demand function equals:

$$D_{shifted} = b_D - m_D (\alpha + x)$$

The rationale for the shift in the y-intercept for each function can be seen in the numeric example graph below. The supply function is $S = 1x + 0$ and the demand function is $D = 400 - 2x$. Adding +100MW at \$0 shifts the supply curve down by $100 \times m_s = 100$. Subtracting 100W from the demand curve likewise shifts that curve down by $100 \times m_p = 200$.



For the intersection of the supply curve S_0 with the VRR $D_{shifted}$ and the intersection of $S_{shifted}$ with D_0 , we find the equilibrium quantity x^* and then substitute that into either half to get $Price^*$

For $S_0 = D_{shifted}$

$$m_s x + b_s = b_D - m_D(\alpha + x)$$

Solve for x

$$x^* = \frac{b_D - b_s + m_s \alpha}{m_s + m_D}$$

Substitute x^ into S_0 or $D_{shifted}$ to get Price*

$$Price^* = b_D - m_D \left(\frac{b_D - b_s + m_s \alpha}{m_s + m_D} \right)$$

For $S_{shifted} = D_0$

$$m_s(x - \alpha) + b_s = b_D - m_D x$$

$$x^* = \frac{b_D - b_s - m_D \alpha}{m_s + m_D}$$

Substitute x^ into $S_{shifted}$ or D_0 to get Price*

$$Price^* = b_D - m_D \alpha - m_D \left(\frac{b_D - b_s - m_s \alpha}{m_s + m_D} \right)$$

Our question is whether these two prices are the same.

$$b_D - m_D \left(\frac{b_D - b_s + m_s \alpha}{m_s + m_D} \right) \stackrel{?}{=} b_D - m_D \alpha - m_D \left(\frac{b_D - b_s - m_s \alpha}{m_s + m_D} \right)$$

To both sides, subtract b_D , divide by $\left(\frac{m_s + m_D}{m_D}\right)$ and multiply by -1

$$b_D - b_s + m_s \alpha \stackrel{?}{=} \alpha(m_s + m_D) + b_D - b_s - m_D \alpha$$

Simplifying,

$$m_s \alpha + m_D \alpha = m_s \alpha + m_D \alpha$$

Q.E.D.

Exhibit PLC-3: Results of PJM Sensitivity Studies

2014/15 BRA

Supply Change in	Delta Supply	Price change (\$/MW-day/MW) in				Separation Changes in Scenario
		RTO	MAAC	EMAAC	SWMAAC	
RTO	4000	-0.0068	-0.0027			
RTO	8000	-0.0089	-0.0013			
RTO	-4000	-0.0049	-0.0023			MAAC and RTO Merge
RTO	-8000	-0.0112	-0.0099			MAAC and RTO Merge
MAAC	2000	-0.0064	-0.0117	-0.0015		MAAC and RTO Merge; EMAAC Separates
MAAC	4000	-0.0061	-0.0087	-0.0008		MAAC and RTO Merge; EMAAC Separates
MAAC	-2000	-0.0023	-0.0168	-0.0168		
MAAC	-4000	-0.0023	-0.0212	-0.0212		
EMAAC	1000	-0.0010	-0.0115	-0.0115	-0.0115	MAAC and RTO Merge
EMAAC	2000	-0.0060	-0.0113	-0.0113	-0.0113	MAAC and RTO Merge
EMAAC	-1000	-0.0008	-0.0002	-0.0002	-0.0002	
EMAAC	-2000	-0.0018	-0.0099	-0.0283	-0.0099	EMAAC Separates
SWMAAC	500	-0.0020	-0.0070	-0.0062	-0.0070	EMAAC Separates
SWMAAC	-500	-0.0252	-0.0165	-0.0165	-0.0165	MAAC and RTO Merge; EMAAC Separates
Average effect of Supply change in						
RTO	±4,000	-0.0059	-0.0025			
MAAC	±2,000	-0.0043	-0.0142	-0.0092		
EMAAC	±1,000	-0.0009		-0.0058	-0.0058	
SWMAAC	±500	-0.0136		-0.0114	-0.0118	

N.B.: Negative Slopes indicate Increasing Price as MWs or reduced Prices as MWs rise

Source File Name: Sensitivity Scenario Analysis Results (XLS)

Source Location: <http://www.pjm.com/~media/markets-ops/rpm/rpm-auction-info/2014-2015-sensitivity-scenario-analysis-results.ashx>

2015/16 BRA

Supply Change in	Delta Supply	Price change (\$/MW-day/MW) in				Notes
		RTO	MAAC	EMAAC	SWMAAC	
rest of RTO	6000	-0.0089	0.0013			
rest of RTO	-6000	-0.0115	-0.0063			MAAC and RTO Merge
rest of MAAC	3000	-0.0039	-0.0144			MAAC and RTO Merge
rest of MAAC	-3000	-0.0017	-0.0154			
rest of EMAAC	1500	-0.0018	-0.0108	-0.0108	-0.0108	
rest of EMAAC	-1500	-0.0020	-0.0217	-0.0217	-0.0217	
rest of SWMAAC	750	-0.0027	-0.0170	-0.0170	-0.0170	
rest of SWMAAC	-750	-0.0027	-0.0367	-0.0367	-0.0367	
Average effect of Supply change in						
rest of RTO		-0.0102	-0.0025			
rest of MAAC		-0.0028	-0.0149			
rest of EMAAC		-0.0019		-0.0163	-0.0163	
rest of SWMAAC		-0.0027		-0.0269	-0.0269	

N.B.: Negative Slopes indicate Increasing Price as MWs or reduced Prices as MWs rise

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2016/17 BRA

Supply Change in	Delta Supply	Price change (\$/MW-day/MW) in				Notes
		RTO	MAAC	EMAAC	SWMAAC	
rest of RTO	6000	-0.0072	0.0000			
rest of RTO	-6000	-0.0109	-0.0009			MAAC and RTO Merge
rest of MAAC	3000	-0.0023	-0.0222	-0.0040	-0.0222	MAAC and RTO Merge; EMAAC Separates
rest of MAAC	-3000	-0.0008	-0.0103	-0.0103	-0.0103	
rest of EMAAC	1500	-0.0010	-0.0114	-0.0114	-0.0114	
rest of EMAAC	-1500	-0.0015	-0.0036	-0.0188	-0.0036	EMAAC Separates
SWMAAC	750	-0.0020	-0.0122	-0.0122	-0.0122	
SWMAAC	-750	-0.0030	-0.0140	-0.0140	-0.0140	
Average effect of Supply change in						
rest of RTO		-0.0090	-0.0005			
rest of MAAC		-0.0015	-0.0163	-0.0071		
rest of EMAAC		-0.0013	-0.0075	-0.0151	-0.0075	
SWMAAC		-0.0025	-0.0131	-0.0131	-0.0131	

N.B.: Negative Slopes indicate Increasing Price as MWs or reduced Prices as MWs rise

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2017/18 BRA

Price change (\$/MW-day) in

Supply Change in	Delta Supply	RTO	MAAC	EMAAC	SWMAAC	Notes
rest of RTO	-3000	-0.0102	-0.0102			
rest of RTO	3000	-0.0044	-0.0044			
rest of RTO	-6000	-0.0081	-0.0081			
rest of RTO	6000	-0.0122	<i>-0.0028</i>			MAAC Separates from RTO
MAAC	-3000	-0.0094	-0.0094	-0.0094		
MAAC	3000	-0.0035	-0.0035	-0.0035		
MAAC	-6000	-0.0081	-0.0081	<i>-0.0199</i>		EMAAC Separates from RTO
MAAC	6000	-0.0067	-0.0067	-0.0067		
Average effect of Supply change in						
rest of RTO	±3,000	-0.0073	-0.0073			
MAAC	±3,000	-0.0064	-0.0064			
EMAAC						
SWMAAC						

N.B.: Negative Slopes indicate Increasing Price as MWs Decrease or reduced Prices as MWs rise

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Sensitivity Scenario Analysis Results (XLS)

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Definitions:

Rest of RTO

excludes MAAC, ATSI (in delivery years 2015/16, 2016/17)

rest of MAAC

Excludes EMAAC, SWMAAC

rest of EMAAC

Excludes PSEG (in delivery years 2015/16, 2016/17)

Notes:

Price slope in *italics* indicate that the LDA separated from the surrounding LDA (MAAC from RTO, EMAAC from MAAC, SWMAAC from MAAC) in the base case.

Averages use the smallest increment/decrement pair for each LDA

Exhibit PLC-4:
BGE Response to OPC DR 3-2

OPCDR3-2

Plan Attachment 7, pdf p. 235, indicates that 50% of 2015 installations are assumed to be cleared in BRA 2015/16, with the other 50% affecting capacity prices starting in 2016/17 or 2017/18.

- a) Did BGE apply these assumptions to all measures and programs, or did it treat some programs as being in the cleared 50% and others in the non-cleared 50%?
- b) Please provide the basis for BGE's estimate that 50% of its capacity savings currently for 2015, 2016 and 2017 cleared in the BRA for those years.

RESPONSE:

- a) All programs were treated similarly.
- b) BGE's capabilities of its energy efficiency (EE) measures in delivery years 2015-16, 2016-17 and 2017-18 are estimated to be 202 MW, 208 MW and 210 MW, respectively. BGE offered and cleared 100 MW of EE capability in the 2012 BRA, 120 MW in the 2013 BRA and 119 MW in the 2014 BRA, or 50%, 58% and 57%, respectively, of estimated capability.

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I HEREBY CERTIFY that on this 30th day of January, 2015, the foregoing “Comments” of the Maryland Office of People’s Counsel for Case Nos. 9153-9157 and 9362 was either hand-delivered, e-mailed or mailed first-class, postage prepaid to all parties of record to this proceeding.

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