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Matthew L. Homsher, Secretary
Pennsylvania Public Utility Commission
Commonwealth Keystone Building
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Re: Application of NextEra Energy Transmission MidAtlantic, Inc., for All of the Necessary Authority, Approvals, and Certificates of Public Convenience (1) to Begin to Furnish and Supply Electric Transmission Service in Greene County and Fayette County, Pennsylvania; (2) for Certain Affiliated Interest Agreements; and (3) for any Other Approvals Necessary to Complete the Contemplated Transactions Docket No. A-2026-3060921 et. al.

**Application of NextEra Energy Transmission MidAtlantic, Inc., filed pursuant to 52 Pa. Code Chapter 57 Subchapter G, for approval to site and construct a 500 kV transmission line associated with the MidAtlantic Resiliency Link Project located in portions of Greene County and Fayette County, Pennsylvania
Docket No. A-2026-3060856**

Dear Secretary Homsher:

Enclosed for filing please find the Answer of NextEra Energy Transmission MidAtlantic, Inc. to the Petition to Intervene of John Houze in the above-referenced proceedings.

Copies will be provided as indicated on the Certificate of Service.

Respectfully submitted,



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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that a true and correct copy of the foregoing Application has been served upon the following persons, in the manner indicated, in accordance with the requirements of 52 Pa. Code § 57.72(d)(3).

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**BEFORE THE
PENNSYLVANIA PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION**

Application of NextEra Energy : Docket Nos. A-2026-3060921
Transmission MidAtlantic, Inc., for All of : G-2026-3060941
the Necessary Authority, Approvals, and : G-2026-3060942
Certificates of Public Convenience (1) to :
Begin to Furnish and Supply Electric :
Transmission Service in Greene County :
and Fayette County, Pennsylvania; (2) for :
Certain Affiliated Interest Agreements; :
and (3) for any Other Approvals :
Necessary to Complete the Contemplated :
Transactions :

Application of NextEra Energy : Docket No. A-2026-3060856
Transmission MidAtlantic, Inc., Filed :
Pursuant to 52 Pa. Code Chapter 5 :
Subchapter G, for Approval to Site and :
Construct a 500 kV Transmission Line :
Associated with the MidAtlantic :
Resiliency Link Project Located in :
Portions of Greene County and Fayette :
County, Pennsylvania :

**ANSWER OF NEXTERA ENERGY TRANSMISSION MIDATLANTIC, INC. TO THE
PETITION TO INTERVENE OF JOHN HOUZE**

TO THE PENNSYLVANIA PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION:

I. INTRODUCTION AND OVERVIEW

Pursuant to 52 Pa. Code § 5.66, NextEra Energy Transmission MidAtlantic, Inc. (“NEET MA” or the “Company”) hereby submits this Answer to the Petition to Intervene (the “Petition”) of John Houze (“Petitioner”) in the above-captioned proceedings.

On March 3, 2026, NEET MA filed, pursuant to the Pennsylvania Public Utility Code at 66 Pa.C.S. §§ 1101, 1103, and 2102, an application requesting all necessary authority, approvals,

and certificates of public convenience from the Pennsylvania Public Utility Commission (“Commission”) necessary to authorize NEET MA to begin to furnish and supply electric transmission service as a Pennsylvania public utility within Greene County and Fayette County, Pennsylvania (“CPC Application”).

Also on March 3, 2026, NEET MA filed, pursuant to 52 Pa. Code § 57.72, an application requesting Commission approval of the siting and construction of the Pennsylvania Portion of a new 500 kV transmission line associated with the MARL Project in Dunkard Township in Greene County and Springhill Township in Fayette County, Pennsylvania (“Siting Application”).

On March 26, 2026, Administrative Law Judge John M. Coogan issued a Prehearing Conference Order providing, among other things, that a Telephonic Prehearing Conference would be held on Wednesday, May 6, 2026 at 10:00 AM for both the CPC Application and Siting Application proceedings. At the May 6 prehearing conference, Administrative Law Judges John M. Coogan and Erin L. Gannon (the “ALJs”) consolidated the CPC Application and the Siting Application.¹ The ALJs also decided that, for any protests and/or petitions to intervene filed on or before May 29, 2026, NEET MA would be permitted to respond on or before June 12, 2026.² Numerous protests and petitions to intervene have been filed at the above-captioned dockets before and since the May 6 prehearing conference.

On May 8, 2026, the Petition filed by John Houze was posted to one or both of the above-captioned dockets in this proceeding. As explained below, NEET MA opposes the Petition because the Petitioner has no legally recognizable interest in the above-captioned proceedings and, therefore, cannot meet the eligibility criteria set forth in the Commission’s regulations at 52 Pa. Code § 5.72.

¹ Tr. 11.

² Tr. 47-48.

The Petitioner's only interest in the above-captioned proceedings is general, and essentially seeks compliance with the Pennsylvania Public Utility Code and with the Commission's regulations and orders. The Petition raises non-specific concerns related to rate impacts, health and safety, and property value. However, a general concern that the above-listed elements of the proceedings be investigated and duly considered does not establish that the Petitioner themselves will suffer an injury that is substantial. This form Petition is thus insufficient for the purposes of establishing that the Petitioner has an interest in the proceedings that will not be "adequately represented by existing participants." 52 Pa. Code § 5.72. Rather, the Petition alleges general interests and harms that do not surpass the common interest of all citizens in procuring obedience to the law.

In any event, the interests of residential ratepayers, like the Petitioner, are adequately represented by the Office of Consumer Advocate ("OCA"), who is actively participating in this proceeding. OCA is empowered and obligated to represent general residential and consumer interests like those advanced by the Petitioner. The Petitioner has not alleged a specific interest in addition to the general interests that OCA is actively representing.

Finally, Company records indicate that the Petitioner does not own property located within the right-of-way ("ROW") corridor for the Proposed Route, nor does the Petitioner own property located within the ROW corridors for any of the Alternate Routes of the MARL Project. Yet, the Petition fails to establish the manner in which the MARL Project will directly affect the Petitioner such that their interest will not be adequately represented by existing participants, as they are not a landowner of property that will be traversed by the MARL Project. For all of these reasons, the Petition should be denied.

In further support of its opposition to the Petition, NEET MA responds to the specific paragraphs of the Petition as follows:

II. ANSWER TO SPECIFIC AVERMENTS

1. Admitted.

2. Paragraph 2 of the Petition pertains to the Complainant's legal representation, to which no responsive pleading is required.

3. Denied. It is denied that the Petitioner has clearly and concisely set forth facts from which the alleged intervention right or interest of the Petitioner can be determined. The Petitioner states "see above" in Paragraph 3, and appears to have made markings on the prompt. To the extent that the markings made upon the form by the Petitioner are deemed to be allegations averments of the Petitioner's interests, NEET MA denies the same.

4. Denied. It is denied that the Petitioner has stated appropriate ground on which to intervene. Specifically, it is denied that NEET MA has failed to provide evidence as to the health and safety of the MARL Project. In further response, NEET MA refers to Section I of this Answer, reiterating its position that a general concern that the evidentiary elements of the proceedings be investigated and duly considered does not establish that the Petitioner themselves will suffer an injury that is substantial. The Petitioner is not a landowner within the Proposed or Alternate ROW Corridors and has failed to specifically demonstrate otherwise how he will be affected by the concerns listed in Paragraph 4.

5. Denied. In further response, NEET MA refers to Section I of this Answer, reiterating its position that a general concern that the evidentiary elements of the proceedings be investigated and duly considered does not establish that the Petitioner themselves will suffer an injury that is substantial. The Petitioner is not a landowner within the Proposed or Alternate ROW

Corridors, and has failed to specifically demonstrate otherwise how he will be affected by the concerns listed in Paragraph 5.

6. Paragraph 6 of the Petition relates to the Petitioner's communication preferences, to which no responsive pleading is required.

7. Paragraph 7 of the Petition sets forth the verification and signature, to which no responsive pleading is required.

8. Denied. The averments contained within Paragraph 8 of the Petition are requests for relief to which no responsive pleading is required. To the extent a response is deemed necessary, NEET MA denies that the Petitioner is entitled to the relief requested.

9. Paragraph 9 of the Petition sets forth a signature and date, to which no responsive pleading is required.

III. CONCLUSION

WHEREFORE, for the foregoing reasons, NextEra Energy Transmission MidAtlantic, Inc. respectfully requests that the Commission deny the Petition to Intervene filed by John Houze and reject all other relief requested therein or, in the alternative, that the Commission limit the Petitioner's participation in the above-captioned proceedings to the extent that it will limit the unnecessary duplication of discovery requests and testimony submitted in the proceedings.

Respectfully submitted,



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