# PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA 1325 G STREET, N.W., SUITE 800 WASHINGTON, D.C. 20005

#### **ORDER**

October 14, 2025

# FORMAL CASE NO. 1182, IN THE MATTER OF THE INVESTIGATION INTO THE IMPLEMENTATION OF INTEGRATED DISTRIBUTION SYSTEM PLANNING FOR ELECTRIC UTILITIES, Order No. 22723

#### I. <u>INTRODUCTION</u>

1. By this Order, the Public Service Commission of the District of Columbia ("Commission") grants a 120-day extension of time to convene the first Integrated Distribution System Planning Working Group ("IDSP WG") meeting. The IDSP WG shall file its Working Group Report within 180 days of the first IDSP WG meeting, and interested persons not party to the IDSP WG may file comments on the IDSP WG Report within thirty (30) days of its filing. The Commission shall issue an order on IDSP within six (6) months of the submission of comments.

#### II. BACKGROUND

2. The Commission has emphasized the need for transparency and quality reporting in the distribution system of the utilities it regulates.<sup>2</sup> Integrated Distribution System Planning ("IDSP") focuses on optimizing and modernizing the distribution system to meet evolving demands from ratepayers. In addition to the traditional distribution planning that the District of Columbia's utilities undertake, IDSP incorporates advanced technologies, data analytics, and distributed energy resources, such as solar panels, energy storage, electric vehicles, demand response, energy efficiency, and federal and local policy. In Order No. 20286, the Commission determined that an interactive and stakeholder-informed process is necessary for distribution system planning.<sup>3</sup>

Formal Case No. 1182, In the Matter of the Investigation into the Implementation of Integrated Distribution System Planning for Electric Utilities ("Formal Case No. 1182"), Order No. 22464, issued July 16, 2025. The Commission directed the IDSP WG to be convened within ninety (90) days of the date of the Order.

Formal Case No. 1130, In the Matter of the Investigation into Modernizing the Energy Delivery System for Increased Sustainability ("Formal Case No. 1130"), Order No. 20286, ¶ 37, issued January 24, 2020 ("Order No. 20286"). ("We agree with [] stakeholders that the DSP/NWA process must be an iterative one... [and] additional information, including the outcomes of the studies, must be continually factored into the DSP/NWA process to improve it and ensure that Pepco is considering all appropriate NWAs and DER integrations into its planned infrastructure improvements.").

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> Formal Case No. 1130, Order No. 20286, ¶ 37.

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3. On November 12, 2024, the Office of the People's Counsel for the District of Columbia ("OPC") and the District of Columbia Government ("DCG") filed motions for reconsideration of Order No. 22313 in *Formal Case No. 1167*. OPC's Motion proposed the restructuring of *Formal Case No. 1167* to facilitate integrated, coordinated utility planning.<sup>4</sup> DGC asked that the Commission create a separate docket for IDSP.<sup>5</sup>

- 4. The Commission issued the Notice of Inquiry ("NOI") on November 27, 2024,<sup>6</sup> creating a new case for IDSP, *Formal Case No. 1182*. The NOI invited interested persons to comment on various matters related to electric utility distribution system planning, IDSP, and the appended Commission-created Strawman proposal. The NOI established a sixty (60) day comment and thirty (30) day reply comment period. On January 23, 2025, the Department of Energy and Environment ("DOEE") filed an unopposed Motion requesting an enlargement of time to file initial and reply comments.<sup>7</sup> On January 31, 2025, the Commission issued Order No. 22359 granting DOEE's request and extending the initial and reply comment period to March 17, 2025, and April 14, 2025, respectively.<sup>8</sup>
- 5. On March 17, 2025, initial comments were filed by OPC, DOEE, ORID2.0 Working Group ("GRID2.0"), and the Potomac Electric Power Company ("Pepco"). On April 14, 2025, reply comments were filed by DOEE, GRID2.0, and Pepco. Community

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> Formal Case No. 1167, In the Matter of the Implementation of the Business Climate Plan ("Formal Case No. 1167"), Office of the People's Counsel for the District of Columbia, Motion for Reconsideration of Public Service Commission Order No. 22313 at 9, filed November 12, 2024.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>5</sup> Formal Case No. 1167, District of Columbia Government, Motion for Reconsideration of Public Service Commission Order No. 22313 at 18, filed November 12, 2024.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>6</sup> Formal Case No. 1182, Notice of Inquiry, rel. November 27, 2024.

Formal Case No. 1182, Unopposed Motion of the Department of Energy and Environment for Enlargement of Time to File Comments, filed January 23, 2025.

<sup>8</sup> Formal Case No. 1182, Order No. 22359, rel. January 31, 2025.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>9</sup> Formal Case No. 1182, OPC Comments, filed March 17, 2025.

Formal Case No. 1182, DOEE Comments with Synapse Memorandum, filed March 17, 2025.

<sup>11</sup> Formal Case No. 1182, GRID2.0 Working Group Initial Comments, filed March 17, 2025.

Formal Case No. 1182, Comments of Potomac Electric Power Company to Notice of Inquiry on Integrated Distribution Planning, filed March 17, 2025.

Formal Case No. 1182, DOEE Reply Comments, filed April 14, 2025.

Formal Case No. 1182, GRID2.0 Reply Comments, filed April 14, 2025.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>15</sup> Formal Case No. 1182, Reply Comments of Potomac Electric Power Company to Notice of Inquiry on Integrated Distribution Planning, filed April 14, 2025.

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comments were also filed.16

6. On July 16, 2025, the Commission issued Order No. 22464, which, among other things, directed that stakeholders be notified of the first IDSP WG meeting within ninety (90) days of the date of the Order (by October 14, 2025).

7. On October 7, 2025, OPC filed a Proposed Roadmap for the IDSP WG.<sup>17</sup>

# III. <u>DISCUSSION</u>

8. In preparation for convening the IDSP WG, the Commission issued a Request for Proposals ("RFP") to procure a working group facilitator with expertise in IDSP-related matters. The Commission needs additional time to review the proposals submitted in response to the RFP, select an appropriate working group facilitator, and onboard the selected facilitator. To accommodate these administrative needs, the Commission is extending the date by which notice of the first IDSP WG meeting must be issued. The Commission grants a 120-day extension and shall convene the first IDSP WG meeting by February 11, 2026.

#### THEREFORE, IT IS ORDERED THAT:

- 9. The Commission **GRANTS** a 120-day extension of time to convene the first Integrated Distribution System Planning Working Group meeting;
- 10. The Integrated Distribution System Planning Working Group **SHALL** submit a Working Group Report as directed in Order No. 22464 within 180 days of the date of the first Integrated Distribution System Planning Working Group meeting;
- 11. Interested persons not party to the Integrated Distribution System Planning Working Group **SHALL** submit comments on the Integrated Distribution System Planning Working Group Report within thirty (30) days of its filing; and

Formal Case No. 1182, Comments to the Commission filed individually by Don Bronkema, Rachael Gorlin, Leonard Rubin, John Curtis, Lino Martinez, Paula Hirschoff, Jason Miller, Elia Garcia McComie, Sydney Bronaugh, Kristen Hengtgen, Michael Cleary, Karl Fellenius, Deirdre Joy, John Wiggins, Cara Fultons, Vincent Lampones, Bridget Donovan, Mustafa Abdullah, Claire Mills, James Driver, Anne Debuys, and Claire Hackers, Suzanne DeFelice, Ayla Frost, Gawain Kripke, Linda VerNooy, Morgan Corey, Philip Downey, Diana Schoder, Shayna Gleason, and Evan Kenyon filed between April 9 and May 9, 2025.

Formal Case No. 1182, Office of the People's Counsel for the District of Columbia's Proposed Roadmap for the Integrated Distribution System Planning Working Group, filed October 7, 2025.

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12. The Commission **SHALL** issue an order on Integrated Distribution System Planning within six (6) months of the submission of comments.

A TRUE COPY: BY DIRECTION OF THE COMMISSION:

CHIEF CLERK: BRINDA WESTBROOK-SEDGWICK

**COMMISSION SECRETARY** 

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### **COMMISSION ACTION**

# FORMAL CASE NO. 1182, IN THE MATTER OF THE INVESTIGATION INTO THE IMPLEMENTATION OF INTEGRATED DISTRIBUTION SYSTEM PLANNING FOR ELECTRIC UTILITIES,

<b>Date</b> <u>10/14/25</u> <b>Formal Case No.</b> <u>1</u>	182 Tariff No	Order No. <u>22723</u>	
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