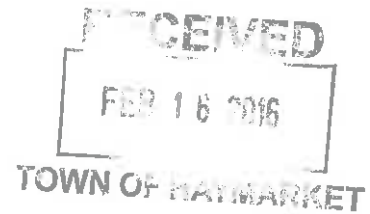


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**VIA CERTIFIED U.S. MAIL (RETURN RECEIPT)**

February 12, 2016

The Honorable David Leake  
Mayor-Town of Haymarket  
15000 Washington Street, Suite 100  
Haymarket, Virginia 20169

**Application of Virginia Electric and Power Company for approval and certification of electric facilities: Haymarket 230 kV Double Circuit Transmission Line and 230-34.5 kV Haymarket Substation**  
**Case No. PUE-2015-00107**

Dear Mayor Leake:

Pursuant to the provisions of the February 8, 2016 *Hearing Examiner's Ruling Scheduling Additional Local Hearing* issued by the Virginia State Corporation Commission in the above-referenced proceeding, enclosed is a copy of the Ruling and sketch map.

If you have any questions regarding this matter, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Charlotte McAfee".

Charlotte P. McAfee  
Senior Counsel

Enclosures

COMMONWEALTH OF VIRGINIA  
STATE CORPORATION COMMISSION

APPLICATION OF

VIRGINIA ELECTRIC AND POWER COMPANY

CASE NO. PUE-2015-00107

For approval and certification of electric transmission facilities: Haymarket 230 kV Double Circuit Transmission Line and 230-34.5 kV Haymarket Substation

HEARING EXAMINER'S RULING SCHEDULING ADDITIONAL LOCAL HEARING

February 8, 2016

On November 6, 2015, Virginia Electric and Power Company ("Dominion Virginia Power" or "Company") filed an application ("Application") with the State Corporation Commission ("Commission") for a certificate of public convenience and necessity authorizing the construction and operation of electric transmission facilities in Prince William and Loudoun Counties and the Town of Haymarket, Virginia. Specifically, the Company proposes to (i) convert its existing 115 kV Gainesville-Loudoun Line #124, located in Prince William and Loudoun Counties, to 230 kV operation; (ii) construct in Prince William County, Virginia, and the Town of Haymarket, Virginia, a new 230 kilovolt ("kV") double circuit transmission line to run approximately 5.1 miles from a tap point approximately 0.5 mile north of the Company's existing Gainesville Substation on the converted Line #124 to a new 230-34.5 kV Haymarket Substation; and (iii) construct a 230-34.5 kV Haymarket Substation on land in Prince William County to be owned by the Company (the "Project").<sup>1</sup>

On December 11, 2015, the Commission issued an Order For Notice and Hearing ("Scheduling Order") that, among other things, docketed the Application, assigned the matter to a hearing examiner, and established a procedural schedule for the case. The Commission scheduled an evidentiary hearing in the Commission's courtroom to commence at 10:00 a.m. on May 10, 2016, in the Commission's courtroom, Second Floor, Tyler Building, 1300 East Main Street, Richmond, Virginia 23219. The Scheduling Order also scheduled local hearings to commence at 4:30 p.m. and 7:00 p.m. on February 24, 2016, and March 14, 2016, at Battlefield High School Auditorium, 15000 Graduation Drive, Haymarket, Virginia 20169, to receive testimony on the Company's Application from public witnesses participating as provided by 5 VAC 5-20-80 C, *Public witnesses*, of the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure.

The Company's proposed Project has generated significant public interest. For example, over 800 people attended the open houses hosted by the Company to advise local residents, businesses, and local, state, and federal officials having an interest in the Project.<sup>2</sup> Additionally, numerous public comments have been filed on the Company's Application, and the Town Council of Haymarket has filed a resolution requesting, among other things, that the proposed route for the Project be denied.

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<sup>1</sup> Application at 2.

<sup>2</sup> Application Appendix at 73-77.

Having considered the significant public interest generated by the Company's Application from local residents, businesses, and government officials, I find that an additional local hearing should be scheduled to ensure that all those interested in the Application have a full and adequate opportunity to comment on the Company's Application. Accordingly,

**IT IS DIRECTED THAT:**

(1) An additional local hearing on the Company's Application shall be convened on May 2, 2016, at 7:00 p.m. at Battlefield High School Auditorium, 15000 Graduation Drive, Haymarket, Virginia 20169, to receive testimony on the Company's Application from public witnesses participating as provided by 5 VAC 5-20-80 C, *Public witnesses*, of the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure.

(2) On or before March 8, 2016, Dominion Virginia Power shall cause to be sent by first class mail a copy of the Notice of Additional Local Hearing prescribed in Paragraph (3) below to all owners, as of the date of this Ruling, of property within the proposed and alternate routes for the proposed Project, as indicated on the map or sketch of the routes filed with the Commission, which requirement shall be satisfied by mailing to such persons at such addresses as are indicated in the land books maintained by the commissioner of revenue, director of finance, treasurer, or other officer of the county or municipality designated as provided by § 58.1-3100 *et seq.* of the Code.

(3) On or before March 8, 2016, Dominion Virginia Power shall publish in two (2) successive weeks the following notice of an additional local hearing as display advertising (not classified) in a newspaper or newspapers of general circulation in every county, town, or municipality through which the proposed Project is proposed to be built:

NOTICE TO THE PUBLIC OF ADDITIONAL LOCAL HEARING  
ON APPLICATION BY VIRGINIA ELECTRIC AND POWER  
COMPANY FOR APPROVAL AND CERTIFICATION OF  
ELECTRIC TRANSMISSION FACILITIES: HAYMARKET  
230 KV DOUBLE CIRCUIT TRANSMISSION LINE AND 230-34.5  
KV HAYMARKET SUBSTATION  
CASE NO. PUE-2015-00107

On November 6, 2015, Virginia Electric and Power Company ("Dominion Virginia Power" or "Company") filed with the State Corporation Commission ("Commission") an application ("Application") for a certificate of public convenience and necessity for the proposed Haymarket 230 kilovolt ("kV") double circuit transmission line and 230-34.5 kV Haymarket Substation. Dominion Virginia Power filed the Application pursuant to § 56-46.1 of the Code of Virginia ("Code") and the Utility Facilities Act, § 56-265.1 *et seq.* of the Code.

According to the Application, the Company proposes to construct in Prince William County a new 230-34.5 kV Haymarket

Substation; convert its existing 115 kV Gainesville-Loudoun Line #124, located in Prince William and Loudoun Counties, to 230 kV operation ("Line #124 conversion"); and construct in Prince William County and the Town of Haymarket a new approximately 5.1 mile overhead 230 kV double circuit transmission line from a tap point approximately 0.5 mile north of the Company's existing Gainesville Substation on the Line #124 conversion ("Haymarket Junction") to the new Haymarket Substation (the "Haymarket Loop"). The Line #124 conversion, the Haymarket Loop and Haymarket Substation are referred to herein as the "Project."

The Company states in its Application that the Project is necessary to provide service to a new data center campus in Prince William County and maintain reliable electric service to its customers in the area in accordance with mandatory North American Electric Reliability Corporation Reliability Standards for transmission facilities and the Company's transmission planning criteria. The proposed in-service date for the Project is June 1, 2018.

Dominion Virginia Power states in its Application that the proposed Haymarket Loop will be constructed on new right-of-way. Dominion Virginia Power has identified a Proposed Route, as well as four alternative routes, for the Commission's consideration. The Proposed Route parallels Interstate 66 for a portion of its length, originating at a tap point on the Line #124 conversion near the end of Cushing Road (State Route 781) and terminating at the proposed Haymarket Substation. The Company states that it chose the Proposed Route in order to maximize co-location with existing infrastructure (Interstate 66 and Norfolk Southern Railroad), and because it presents a reasonable cost compared to the alternative routes and provides the shortest and most direct route to the proposed Haymarket Substation.

In its Application, Dominion Virginia Power estimates that it will take 12 months to construct the proposed Project and 12 months for engineering, material procurement, and construction permitting. The Company estimates the cost of the proposed Project to be approximately \$50.9 million.

## **Transmission Line Routes for the Proposed Project**

### **Proposed Route (I-66 Overhead)**

The Proposed Route extends from the Haymarket Junction for 5.1 miles through Prince William County and the Town of Haymarket and terminates at the proposed Haymarket Substation. From Haymarket Junction, the route travels northwest for 0.3 mile, crossing I-66, before heading in a westerly direction for another 1.7 miles paralleling the north side of I-66 utilizing Virginia Department of Transportation ("VDOT") right-of-way ("ROW") to the extent feasible. The general alignment of the Proposed Route is outside of the sound wall (approximately 15 feet to 40 feet) to reduce the restrictions on construction due to the need for potential lane closures and/or construction timing (daily) restrictions. The segment crosses multiple on/off ramps of the interstate, University Boulevard and Lee Highway (U.S. 29). From the U.S. 29 and I-66 interchange the route heads southwest for 0.1 mile before heading northwest 1.9 miles following the northern side of I-66 and crossing Catharpin Road (SR 676) and Old Carolina Road. The route then crosses to the south side of I-66 and heads in a southwest direction for 0.3 mile, and then crosses James Madison Highway (U.S. 15). The route then heads in a southwest direction for 0.1 mile, crossing John Marshall Highway (SR 55) and continues northwest on the south side of John Marshall Highway (SR 55) 0.4 mile before turning south and terminates into the proposed Haymarket Substation.

Two minor route variations were identified for consideration as potential adjustments to the Proposed Route. These two variations, the Jordan Lane Variation and the Walmart Variation, are discussed below.

#### **Jordan Lane Variation**

For approximately 675 feet along Jordan Lane within Haymarket Township, Dominion Virginia Power will work with local governments to negotiate an overhang easement within the dedicated road easement. However, the Company presents a minor "Jordan Lane Variation" that involves the location of one structure inside the proposed sound wall along I-66 near the east end of Jordan Lane. This variation is not visible on the notice map and would not result in material changes to the length or impacts of the Proposed Route with the exception of eliminating the crossing of the Jordan Lane dedicated road parcel.

### Walmart Variation

The Company presents the Walmart Variation to limit the amount of tree removal along John Marshall Highway (SR 55) across the frontage of the three parcels immediately east of the proposed substation parcel. The Walmart Variation would deviate from the Proposed Route just prior to the crossing of James Madison Highway (U.S. 15), proceeding behind several stores in Haymarket Village Center, primarily Kohl's and Walmart. The variation would generally follow the property line between the shopping center and VDOT ROW for 0.4 mile and would generally follow the western edge of the shopping center property south for 0.1 mile, with a 0.1 mile segment extending west before crossing John Marshall Highway (SR 55) and entering the proposed substation. By traversing the rear and west edges of the shopping center, the transmission line would be less visible to local traffic.

### Alternative Routes

#### Carver Road Alternative Route

The Carver Road Alternative Route extends from the Haymarket Junction for 6.7 miles and terminates at the proposed Haymarket Substation. From Haymarket Junction, the route travels northwest for about 0.3 mile, crossing I-66, before heading in a westerly direction for another 1.7 miles paralleling the north side of I-66, utilizing VDOT ROW to the extent feasible. The segment crosses multiple on/off ramps of the interstate, University Boulevard and Lee Highway (U.S. 29), on the same path as the Proposed Route for the first 2.08 miles. The route then heads southwest for about 0.5 mile, crossing I-66 and generally paralleling the north side of Lee Highway. After crossing Daves Store Lane, the route follows the northern side of Daves Store Lane for 0.2 mile and then crosses Daves Store Lane a second time. The route then continues northwest for 0.2 mile crossing Daves Store Lane and John Marshall Highway (SR 55), utilizing VDOT ROW to the extent feasible. From here, the route heads southwest for about 0.2 mile before heading northwest along the Norfolk Southern Railroad tracks for about 0.1 mile. The route then crosses the tracks and continues in a southwest direction for about 0.7 mile, crossing Yountville Drive and Somerset Crossing Drive. The route then travels southwest for about 0.3 mile, crossing Carver Road and then heading in a general northwest direction for 0.5 mile before crossing Old Carolina Road. From here, the route generally continues northwest for 0.6 mile, passing through forested areas surrounding residences and crossing Haymarket Drive. The route then heads northeast for 0.2 mile before turning west for another 0.2 mile. The

route then follows the eastern side of James Madison Highway (U.S. 15) for 0.1 mile, crosses James Madison Highway (U.S. 15), and heads southwest for approximately 0.3 mile before heading northeast for about 0.2 mile and terminates into the proposed Haymarket Substation.

#### Madison Alternative Route

The Madison Alternative Route extends from the Haymarket Junction for 8.2 miles and terminates at the proposed Haymarket Substation. From Haymarket Junction, the route follows the same path as the Carver Road Alternative Route for 4.7 miles to a point on the south side of Carver Road before crossing Old Carolina Road. At this point, the Carver Road Alternative Route heads northwest to follow Carver Road, while the Madison Alternative Route deviates from the Carver Road Alternative Route and heads southwest for about 1.6 miles. This segment of the route crosses Old Carolina Road and Thoroughfare Road. The route then crosses James Madison Highway (U.S. 15) and continues northeast for 0.7 mile, following the west side of the highway and crossing Thoroughfare Road, Hokie Place, and Market Ridge Boulevard. Continuing northeast, the route then crosses James Madison Highway (U.S. 15) and follows the eastern side of the highway for about 0.5 mile before meeting back with the Carver Road Alternative Route just south of North Fork Broad Run. The route then follows the same path as the Carver Road Alternative Route for the remaining 0.6 mile and terminates at the proposed Haymarket Substation.

#### I-66 Hybrid Alternative Route

The I-66 Hybrid Alternative Route extends from the Haymarket Junction for 5.3 miles through Prince William County and the Town of Haymarket and terminates at the proposed Haymarket Substation. The I-66 Hybrid Alternative Route would utilize both overhead and underground transmission facilities. From Haymarket Junction, the route follows the same path as the Proposed Route for 2.1 miles until it reaches the transition station, where an overhead to underground transition would occur. The transition station is proposed to be located on the west side of the intersection of I-66 and Lee Highway (U.S. 29). At this point the I-66 Hybrid Alternative Route (underground segment) is offset by approximately 25 feet from the proposed sound wall along the I-66 corridor, heads northwest and continues along the southern side of I-66 for 0.7 mile, utilizing VDOT ROW to the extent feasible. After crossing Catharpin Road (SR 676), the route continues northwest, crossing I-66, for approximately 1.2 miles following the northern side of I-66. The route then crosses I-66

and then follows the southern side of I-66 and associated eastbound on-ramp for about 0.3 mile. After crossing James Madison Highway (U.S. 15) the route follows the western side of the highway for about 0.1 mile, crosses John Marshall Highway (SR 55), and then continues northwest on the south side of John Marshall Highway (SR 55) for approximately 0.3 mile before heading south and terminating at the proposed Haymarket Substation.

#### Railroad Alternative Route

The Railroad Alternative Route extends from the Haymarket Junction for 5.7 miles through Prince William County and the Town of Haymarket and terminates at the proposed Haymarket Substation. From Haymarket Junction, the route follows the Carver Road Alternative Route for the first 3.5 miles to a point west of the John Marshall Highway and Norfolk Southern Railroad crossings. The route then follows the southern side of the railroad and the northern side of North Fork Broad Run for 1.0 mile. This segment of the route passes through the Town of Haymarket. After crossing Jefferson Street (SR 625) the route crosses North Fork Broad Run and continues on the south side of the stream for 0.3 mile before the route meets up with the Carver Road Alternative Route and follows it for the remaining 0.8 mile into the proposed Haymarket Substation.

The Commission entered an Order for Notice and Hearing in this proceeding that, among other things, scheduled public hearings in Haymarket, Virginia, and Richmond, Virginia. Public local hearings shall be convened on February 24, 2016, at 4:30 p.m. and 7:00 p.m. at Battlefield High School Auditorium, 15000 Graduation Drive, Haymarket, Virginia 20169, and March 14, 2016, at 4:30 p.m. and 7:00 p.m. at Battlefield High School Auditorium, 15000 Graduation Drive, Haymarket, Virginia 20169, for the sole purpose of receiving testimony of public witnesses. In addition, the Commission Hearing Examiner assigned to this case entered a Ruling on February 8, 2016, scheduling an additional public local hearing on May 2, 2016, at Battlefield High School Auditorium, 15000 Graduation Drive, Haymarket, Virginia 20169. The public hearing will resume on May 10, 2016, at 10 a.m., in the Commission's second floor courtroom located in the Tyler Building, 1300 East Main Street, Richmond, Virginia 23219, to receive testimony from members of the public and evidence related to the Application from the Company, any respondents, and the Commission's Staff. Any person desiring to testify as a public witness at any of the public hearings should appear fifteen (15) minutes prior to the starting time of the hearing and contact the Commission's Bailiff.



Copies of the Application and documents filed in this case are available for interested persons to review in the Commission's Document Control Center, located on the first floor of the Tyler Building, 1300 East Main Street, Richmond, Virginia 23219, between the hours of 8:15 a.m. and 5 p.m., Monday through Friday, excluding holidays. Interested persons also may download unofficial copies from the Commission's website: <http://www.scc.virginia.gov/case>.

Copies of the Application and other supporting materials may also be inspected during regular business hours at the following locations:

Dominion Virginia Power  
OJRP 12th Floor  
701 E. Cary Street  
Richmond, Virginia 23219  
Attn: Diana T. Faison

Dominion Virginia Power  
Lincoln Park II  
3072 Centerville Road  
Herndon, Virginia 20171  
Attn: Timothy J. Sargeant

Loudoun County  
Planning Department  
1 Harrison Street, S.E.  
Leesburg, Virginia 20175  
Attn: Julie Pastor

Persons also may obtain a copy of the Application by submitting a written request to counsel for the Company, Charlotte P. McAfee, Dominion Resources Services, Inc., 120 Tredegar Street, Richmond, Virginia 23219. If acceptable to the requesting party, the Company may provide the documents by electronic means.

Any person or entity may participate as a respondent in this proceeding by filing, on or before March 1, 2016, a notice of participation. If not filed electronically, an original and fifteen (15) copies of the notice of participation shall be submitted to Joel H. Peck, Clerk, State Corporation Commission, c/o Document Control Center, P.O. Box 2118, Richmond, Virginia 23218-2118. A copy of the notice of participation as a respondent also must be sent to counsel for the Company at the address set forth above. Pursuant to Rule 5 VAC 5-20-80 B, *Participation as a respondent*, of the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure, any notice of participation shall set

forth: (i) a precise statement of the interest of the respondent; (ii) a statement of the specific action sought to the extent then known; and (iii) the factual and legal basis for the action. All filings shall refer to Case No. PUE-2015-00107. For additional information about participation as a respondent, any person or entity should obtain a copy of the Commission's Order for Notice and Hearing.

On or before May 3, 2016, any interested person wishing to comment on the Application shall file written comments on the Application with the Clerk of the Commission at the address set forth above. Any interested person desiring to file comments electronically may do so on or before May 3, 2016, by following the instructions on the Commission's website: <http://www.scc.virginia.gov/case>. Compact discs or any other form of electronic storage medium may not be filed with the comments. All such comments shall refer to Case No. PUE-2015-00107.

The Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure may be viewed at <http://www.scc.virginia.gov/case>. A printed copy of the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure and an official copy of the Commission's Order for Notice and Hearing in this proceeding may be obtained from the Clerk of the Commission at the address set forth above.

#### VIRGINIA ELECTRIC AND POWER COMPANY

(4) On or before March 8, 2016, Dominion Virginia Power shall serve a copy of this Ruling Scheduling Additional Local Hearing on the chairman of the board of supervisors or mayor of every county, city, and town through which the proposed Project is to be built. Dominion Virginia Power shall serve these persons by certified mail, return receipt requested.

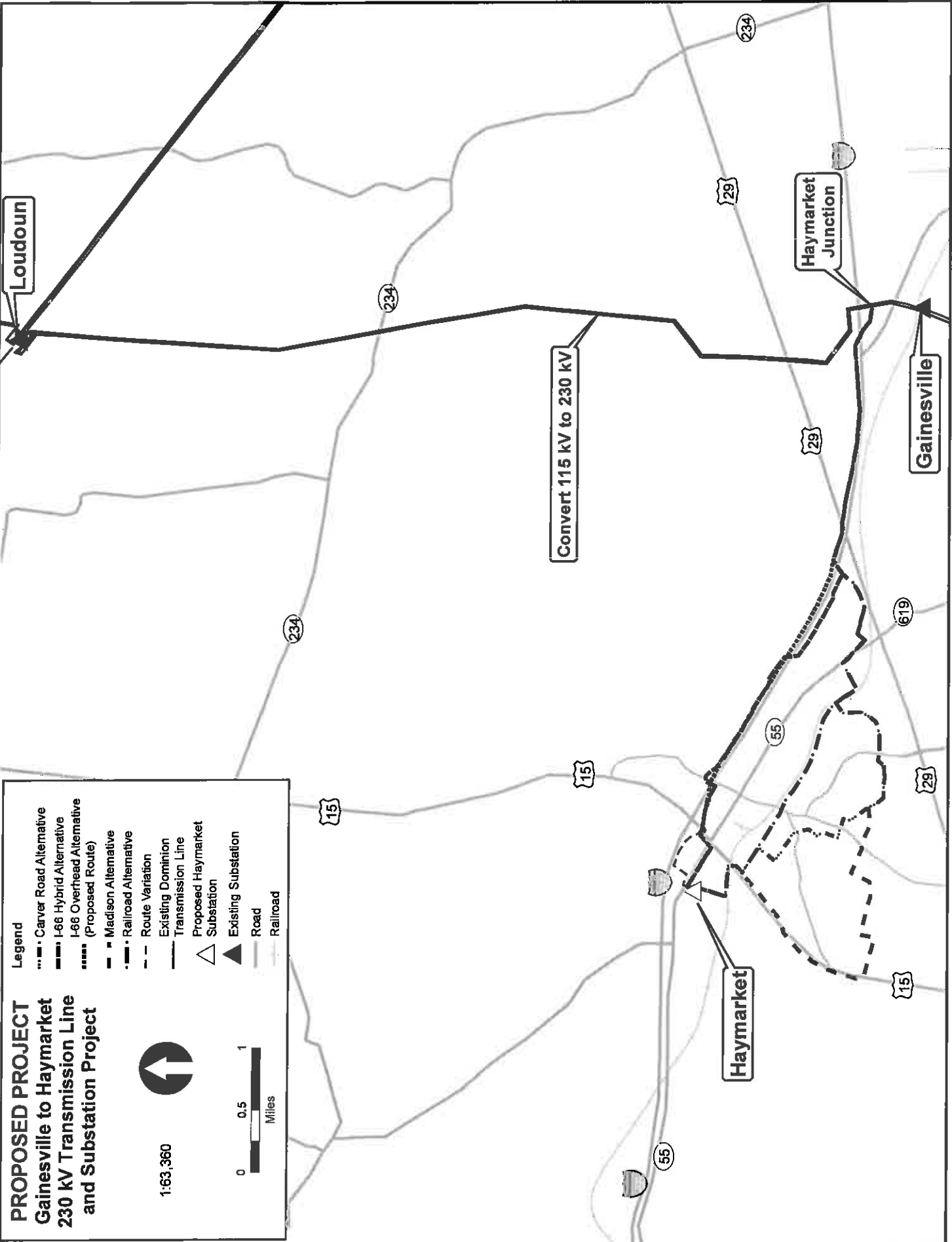
(5) On or before March 22, 2016, the Company shall file proof of the notice and service required by Paragraphs (2), (3), and (4) of this Ruling, including the name, title, and address of each official served with Joel H. Peck, Clerk, State Corporation Commission, c/o Document Control Center, First Floor, Tyler Building, 1300 East Main Street, Richmond, Virginia 23219.



Glenn P. Richardson  
Hearing Examiner

Document Control Center is requested to mail a copy of the above Ruling to: Charlotte P. McAfee, Esquire, Dominion Resources Services, Inc. 120 Tredegar Street, Richmond, VA 23219; Vishwa B. Link, Esquire, and Jennifer D. Valaika, Esquire, McGuire Woods LLP, Gateway Plaza,

800 E. Canal Street, Richmond, VA 23219; Michael J. Coughlin, Esquire, Walsh, Colucci, Lubeley & Walsh, P.C., 4310 Prince William Parkway, Suite 300, Prince William, VA 22192; and C. Meade Browder, Jr., Senior Assistant Attorney General, Division of Consumer Counsel, Office of the Attorney General, 900 East Main Street, Second Floor, Richmond, VA 23219.



**PROPOSED PROJECT**  
**Gainesville to Haymarket**  
**230 kV Transmission Line**  
**and Substation Project**

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**Legend**

- Carver Road Alternative
- I-66 Hybrid Alternative
- I-66 Overhead Alternative (Proposed Route)
- Madison Alternative
- Railroad Alternative
- Route Variation
- Existing Dominion Transmission Line
- △ Proposed Haymarket Substation
- ▲ Existing Substation
- Road
- Railroad