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Garrett County Commissioners
203 South Fourth Street – Room 207
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RE: Notification of *Updated* Schedule for Potomac Edison Vegetation Management/Tree Trimming for 2013

Commissioners,

Pursuant to Maryland Electric Utility Reliability Standards under Rulemaking 43, Maryland electric utilities are required to provide notice of planned vegetation management to Maryland county and municipal governments. Additionally, all Maryland electric distribution utilities have been directed by the Maryland Public Service Commission to adopt a 5 year trim cycle for electric distribution circuits as part of their utility vegetation management programs.

Individual property owners located along the circuits listed below will be notified at least 7 days prior to commencing vegetation management activities involving their properties which may include tree trimming and vegetation spraying as indicated in the property owner notification.

Circuit(s) Scheduled for Vegetation Management Activities *Updated* for 2013 are listed below:

Westernport – Bloomington – the entire 36 line miles of circuit will be trimmed - ***Trimming is underway and scheduled for completion 6/9. Circuit spraying to be completed by the end of August 2013.***

Hoyes – Accident Circuit – *Tree trimming scheduled 3/22 to 8/25 with circuit spraying to be completed Summer 2013.*

Hoyes – Friendsville Circuit - *Tree trimming scheduled 4/1 to 10/13 with circuit spraying to be completed Summer 2013.*

Gorman Substation – Patriot Mine Circuit – *Tree trimming scheduled 8/11 to 9/15 with circuit spraying to be completed Summer 2013.*

Gorman – Route 50 Circuit - *Tree trimming scheduled 8/25 to 11/24 with circuit spraying to be completed Summer 2013.*

Hoyes – McHenry – Garrett Subtransmission – *Tree trimming scheduled 8/4 to 9/8 with circuit spraying to be completed Summer 2013.*

If you have any questions related to this notification, please feel free to contact Stephen Bouch, Forester, Potomac Edison (301-759-5728), or me at 301-759-5757.