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**FAVORABLE – House Bill 1316
Residential Construction - Electric Vehicle Charging**

Potomac Electric Power Company (Pepco) and Delmarva Power & Light Company (Delmarva Power) support **House Bill 1316 Residential Construction – Electric Vehicle Charging**. House Bill 1316 establishes requirements for the residential construction of electric vehicle charging stations in specific types of new housing units. The bill applies only to new construction of single-family detached homes, town houses, and multifamily residential buildings that include a garage, carport, or driveway for individual housing units. With these specifications, a garage, carport, or driveway in a multifamily building must include a level 2 electric vehicle charging station.

In 2013, along with nine other states, Maryland signed a memorandum of understanding on Zero-Emission Vehicle programs. The MOU sets forth a target of 300,000 zero-emissions vehicles in Maryland by 2025. More recently, on January 16, 2019, the Maryland Public Service Commission (PSC) approved a five-year electric vehicle (EV) charging infrastructure pilot program that will be implemented by four of the state's largest electric utilities. Pepco and Delmarva Power are implementing this pilot program through our EVSmart Program which will help Maryland progress to the state's Air Quality and Chesapeake Bay goals. The EVSmart Program provides rebates, tools and information to help customers make more informed decisions when it comes to making the transition to a cleaner transportation option.

Encouraging the growth of EVs is critically important because transportation is the largest contributor to greenhouse gas emissions in Maryland. In summary, this bill is a common-sense approach to standardizing new residential construction to include electric vehicle charging infrastructure. For the above reasons Pepco and Delmarva Power respectfully requests a favorable report on House Bill 1316.

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