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Position Statement

SUPPORT

Environment and Transportation

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House Bill 94 -State Vehicle Fleet - Conversion to Zero-Emission Passenger Cars and Other Light-Duty Vehicles

Baltimore Gas and Electric Company (BGE) strongly supports *House Bill 94 – State Vehicle Fleet - Conversion to Zero-Emission Passenger Cars and Other Light-Duty Vehicles*. House Bill 94 would require 100% of passenger cars in the State vehicle fleet be zero emission vehicles (ZEVs) by 2031 and that other light duty vehicles in the state vehicle fleet be ZEVs by the year 2036. This would establish the state as a leader in electric vehicle implementation and realize near- and long-term environmental and health benefits resulting from moving away from fossil fuel-fired light duty vehicles.

Electric vehicle deployment supports many of the state’s environmental and transportation goals and deployment by the state fleet is among the best ways the state can demonstrate its commitment to its goal of having 300,000 ZEVs on the road by 2025, up from about 36,000 currently on the road. Transportation electrification such as that proposed in the Bill represents a core component of decarbonization efforts in Maryland. For this reason, BGE has committed to electrifying 30 percent of our own fleet by 2025, and 50 percent of our fleet by 2030. BGE’s fleet electrification represents a key element in meeting our own “Path to Clean” goal to achieve net-zero operational emissions by 2050.

The state is also in a unique position to direct and ensure the necessary charging infrastructure is in place to meet the needs of an all-electric fleet, especially since many of its vehicles are located at various sites across the state. In order to support the deployment of all necessary charging infrastructure for its fleet, and since the state’s fleet electrification will provide benefits to all Marylanders, BGE urges the Department of General Services to formally coordinate planning and implementation of the necessary charging infrastructure with the electric company in the appropriate distribution territory.

Moving toward an all-electric state government fleet will advance the use of electric vehicles, demonstrate state leadership, and make a positive step toward addressing emissions from the transportation sector, all to the benefit of the public.

House Bill 94 is a good idea which BGE supports and for which BGE requests a favorable committee report.