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PJM Withdrawal
oral testimony

Good afternoon Mr. Chairman, Madam Vice Chair. My name is Alex Pavlak I'm a PhD engineer from Severna Park and the chair of the Future of Energy Initiative. My advocacy is numbers.

I'll be brief. In my opinion the General Assembly finding and declaration statement is petty and inaccurate. PJM is very good at delivering reliable electricity at a reasonable cost. The root cause of Maryland's high electricity rates is Maryland policy. In our opinion any clean electric power system will be at least double the cost of a fossil fuel based system.

Replace:

~~SECTION 1. (b) The General Assembly finds and declares that:~~

~~(1) PJM's actions have resulted in increased costs and decreased 1 affordability for electricity ratepayers; and 2~~

~~(2) PJM has failed to: 3~~

~~——— (i) adequately address concerns about the impact of rate increases 4 on ratepayers; or 5~~

~~——— (ii) be responsive to State energy policies.~~

With:

SECTION 1. (b) The General Assembly finds and declares that Maryland's climate policy conflicts with PJM's fuel neutral policy.

