



How to participate in the CPCN Approval process with the Maryland PSC (Public Service Commission).

[Maryland PSC \(Public Service Commission\) overview of the CPCN \(Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity\) Approval Process](#)

From a representative of the Maryland PSC:

*A pre-hearing conference is set for **Thursday, April 9, 2026, at 10:00 a.m.**, in the Commission's 19th-floor hearing room, William Donald Schaefer Tower, 6 St. Paul Street, Baltimore, Maryland, 21202.*

At the pre-hearing conference, any preliminary matters, including the consideration of any petitions to intervene and the establishment of a procedural schedule, will be discussed.

*Petitions to intervene must be **filed by April 3, 2026**, and may be filed electronically through the Commission's website at pscmaryland.com or sent by first-class mail to the Commission's Executive Secretary, Andrew S. Johnston, 6 St. Paul Street, Baltimore, Maryland 21202-6806, referencing Case No. 9857.*

[A more high-level overview here.](#)

All public comments and filings can be viewed in the [Maryland PSC Case Search](#). Search for Case #9857.

WAYS TO PARTICIPATE

**Adapted from this official Maryland PSC's [CPCN Participation Fact Sheet](#), [this stopmprp.com article](#), and this [Sugarloaf Alliance article](#) (both referencing the MPRP line - a different line down state).*

IMPORTANT! All documents, requests, or comments e-filed using the Maryland PSC e-File system must include:

Case No: 9857
ML #326700

Project Name:
NextEra Energy's MidAtlantic Resiliency Link

And project description:

NextEra Energy Transmission MidAtlantic, Inc.'s Application for a Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity to Construct a 500kV Transmission Line associated with the MidAtlantic Resiliency Link Project in Portions of Allegany and Garrett Counties, Maryland

[Here's a detailed list of requirements](#) for ALL e-Filed documents.

1. Petition to Become an Intervenor:

IMPORTANT! The deadline to file a petition to become an Intervenor is April 3, 2026.

- A petition must be e-filed for PSC review and approval
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-Who can petition to become an Intervenor?

Individuals, organizations, and businesses are eligible to intervene. Municipalities and counties also may intervene.

If you would be directly or indirectly affected, and/or if it would affect your organization's business, you are eligible to intervene.

Intervenor responsibilities include:

Engaging in the discovery process, responding to inquiries from other parties, and submitting formal testimony and evidence within established deadlines.

- Approved Intervenor can participate and take an active role in litigation throughout the CPCN Approval process.
- Should be represented by legal counsel, but *can* be pro se (self-represented/without legal counsel) in certain cases
- Pro se litigants are subject to discovery, and if they testify, cross-examination, subject to the penalties of perjury
- To petition to be a party, a motion needs to be e-filed with the Commission in the corresponding case requesting permission to intervene as a party in the proceeding.

RESOURCES:

[Video walkthrough of how to petition to become an Intervenor on the e-file system](#). (This is a must-watch before e-filing.)

[Link to the Maryland PSC e-file system](#).

[Examples of Petitions to Intervene](#) (these are from a different line/project - but the examples and process are the same)

[This stopmprp.com document](#) contains extensive information on the Intervenor process and responsibilities. Please note that it references the MPRP line, not the NextEra MARL line.

2. Register as an “interested person” to receive Commission documents

Interested persons receive documents issued by the Commission electronically (but not filings from other parties), and are listed in the service list.

Being listed on the service list means you’re formally recognized as an interested party in the application process. This list ensures you receive all official filings, notices, and updates related to the case.

As an Interested person, you’ll get:

- Receipt of Documents: You will receive, either electronically or by mail, all documents filed by the applicant (e.g., utility companies), the PSC, and other parties.
- Case Tracking: It allows you to monitor the case's progress, including scheduled public hearings, comment periods, and proposed orders.
- Notification of Changes: You will receive notifications regarding changes in scheduling, such as new notices in high-profile cases like the Maryland Piedmont Reliability Project (MPRP)

[This template](#) can serve as a guide for writing your own request to e-file as an Interested Party.

3) Subscribe to the docket to receive notice of filings

Will receive an email alert when new filings are made in the docket (but you are not listed on the service list)

Register your email address [here](#) to receive notifications.

4) File public comments

-Public comment hearings will be scheduled for each case where oral comments can be made. Hearings can be virtual or in-person. Commission notices will provide the details.

-Members of the public may also e-file written comments.

To make a public comment, [go to this link](#).

You can also mail your comments:

<https://www.psc.state.md.us/make-a-public-comment/>

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