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PUBLIC NOTICE

**PROPOSED RELICENSING OF THE
CONOWINGO HYDROELECTRIC PROJECT
EXELON APPLICATION FOR WATER QUALITY CERTIFICATION**

PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD EXTENDED

AUGUST 8, 2017

**Applicant: Exelon Generation Company, LLC
300 Exelon Way
Kennett Square, PA 19348**

**Application # 17-WQC-02
Lower Susquehanna River and Upper Chesapeake Bay
Use I & 2 Waters**

On July 10, 2017, the Maryland Department of the Environment (“MDE” or “the Department”) issued a public notice on the Exelon Generation Company, LLC (Exelon) application for a Clean Water Act, Section 401 Water Quality Certification (WQC) required as part of the relicensing of the Conowingo Hydroelectric Project by the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission. The public notice announced that comments must be received by August 9, 2017. The purpose of this public notice is to announce that the public comment period has been extended to August 23, 2017. In addition, MDE will re-open the comment period in the future, should important new information become available.

Exelon’s application for the WQC and supporting information is available on the Department’s website at the following link:

<http://mde.maryland.gov/programs/water/WetlandsandWaterways/Pages/ExelonMD-Conowingo-WQCApp.aspx>

Any person interested in commenting on the water quality impacts of this project is invited to submit written comments to Elder Ghigiarelli, Jr., Deputy Program Administrator, Wetlands and Waterways Program, Water and Science Administration, Maryland Department of the Environment, 1800 Washington Boulevard, Suite 430, Baltimore, MD 21230, or by email to elder.ghigiarelli@maryland.gov.

Subsequent to the close of the comment period, the Department intends to hold a public hearing on this application in the fall, 2017. A public notice announcing the hearing will be advertised in the Maryland Register, placed on the Department’s website, and mailed to the Wetlands and Waterways Program interested persons list.