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Public Hearing July 29 for 5.0 MW Solar Plant Proposed for Harford County

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(BALTIMORE, MD) – Local residents and other interested members of the public are invited to comment on a proposal by Chaberton Solar Bonneville LLC to construct a 5.0 MW solar facility in Harford County. The hearing will take place on **Monday, July 29, 2024** at **6:30 p.m.** before Public Utility Law Judge Kristin Case Lawrence. The hearing location is the Jarrettsville Branch of the Harford County Public Library, 3722 Norrisville Road in Jarrettsville.

In October 2023, Chaberton Solar Bonneville applied to the Maryland Public Service Commission for what is known as a Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity (CPCN), which grants an applicant the authority to construct an energy generating station or high-voltage transmission line in Maryland. According to the application, the solar facility, intended as part of the state's community solar program, would be built on 37 acres of a 186-acre property located at 1624 Jarrettsville Road in Jarrettsville.

The hearing will also have a virtual option for those unable to attend in person. To participate virtually, please sign up in advance to speak by sending an email to psc.pulj@gmail.com by noon on July 29. Participants will receive an email with the link to join in on the virtual platform. For those who want to watch the hearing, please visit the Public Utility Law Judge Division's YouTube channel (MD PSC PULJs): <https://bit.ly/2X6wLiP>

The hearing will include a presentation by the developer, followed by brief statements from the Power Plant Research Program of the Maryland Department of Natural Resources, the Maryland Office of People's Counsel, and the Commission's Technical Staff, and then an opportunity for members of the public to comment on the proposed project.

In addition to the hearing, written comments can be sent (by August 9, 2024) electronically through the Commission's online portal

at <https://www.psc.state.md.us/make-a-public-comment/>, or by mail. Comments sent by mail should be addressed to: Jamie Bergin, Chief Clerk, Maryland Public Service Commission, William Donald Schaefer Tower, 6 St. Paul Street, 16th Floor, Baltimore, MD 21202. So that they are noted in the proper case file, all comments should reference Case No. [9716](#).

In addition to the online docket, the application is available for public review at the Harford County Department of Planning & Zoning, 220 S. Main Street in Bel Air.

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