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Mid-Atlantic Governors Commit to Offshore Wind Partnership

ANNAPOLIS, MD (November 10, 2009) – Governor Martin O’Malley, Governor Tim Kaine of Virginia and Governor Jack Markell of Delaware agreed today on a tri-state partnership for the deployment of off shore wind energy in the Mid-Atlantic coastal region. The Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) creates a formal partnership that will build on the region’s significant offshore wind resources to generate clean, renewable energy and a sustainable market that will bring new economic opportunities.

Important Meeting Coming Up in Virginia

The SCC of Virginia (similar to our Public Service Commission) is having a hearing on November 19th in Lovettsville, VA at 6:00 p.m. They will be hearing oral arguments on a staff (SCC) motion to dismiss the application in Virginia due to the fact there is no official termination for PATH at this time. The meeting will continue with a public input meeting where anyone can speak.

We have been asked by those fighting the line in Virginia to join them in support of this motion, particularly since we can speak to the substation issues. Doug Kaplan will be speaking on behalf of Sugarloaf Conservancy. The meeting is being held at the Lovettsville Community Center located at [57 E. Broadway; Lovettsville, VA 20180](#). Click on link for directions. The Center is only 10 minutes from Point of Rocks.

There is also a staff motion in West Virginia as well, asking for denial of the application on the same rationale and in addition asking for updated need information to be made available.

Sugarloaf Conservancy was formed to protect and enhance the quality of life in Frederick County by education on issues related to wetlands, streams, meadows, rivers, forests, view sheds, conservation, restoration, and preservation. Currently our focus is opposing the overhead PATH high voltage power lines. For more information, go to www.sugarloafconservancy.org or www.nomore towers.org.