

July 31, 2024

Demetries Oberc Real Estate Specialist Department of Transportation Division of Transportation Engineering Property Acquisition Section 100 Edison Park Drive, 4th Floor Gaithersburg, Maryland 20878

Re: Abandonment of ROW Request Adjacent to 6401 Broad Street Bethesda, MD 20816 Salsberg, Corey and Sandra

Dear Mr. Oberc:

Pepco Engineers and staff have reviewed the abandonment request made by the Salsberg's to abandon part of the Right of Way adjacent to 6401 Broad Street, Bethesda, MD 20816 and comment as follows:

Pepco maintains a utility pole along with a single phase secondary overheard conductor both of which located within the abandonment area. Pepco also maintains a primary 13kv feeder overhead primary wire that runs just outside of the proposed abandonment area.

This proposed abandonment creates a potential problem to access and maintain the pole lines which presently exist in public space. Currently there are no obstructions which may cause access and maintenance issues. However, should the property be abandoned and revert to private property, Pepco could be faced with access and maintenance issues that could affect power to the entire length of Broad Street.

The request to abandon the referenced area within the Broad Street right-of-way is **not** recommended.

Should the abandonment request be approved, Pepco will require an easement covering the entire abandonment area so that our crews and their equipment can safely access the utility pole and power lines from either side of Broad Street.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,



Lori M. Rickett Pepco Right-of-Way Specialist Real Property Department 201 W. Gude Drive Rockville, MD 20850 Phone: 771-216-550

Enclosure

cc: Exhibit A

