



December 8, 2023

Kenneth S. Seiler
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Dear Mr. Seiler:

We are pleased that PJM Staff has recommended that its Board of Managers approve NextEra Energy Transmission MidAtlantic's (NEETMA) MidAtlantic Resiliency Link (MARL) project to address the western cluster of reliability needs for the 2022 Reliability Transmission Expansion Plan (RTEP) Window 3.

NextEra Energy Transmission is a leading competitive transmission company in the United States. We have successfully constructed transmission projects in 11 states around the country, and we recognize that constant and transparent dialogue with the local communities will be critical to our mission of keeping the lights on.

As PJM Staff knows, reliability needs being addressed in RTEP Window 3 represented a challenging and complicated request. The combination of 7,500 MW of load growth, 11,000 MW of generation deactivation, the addition of new solar generation, and modeling advancements by PJM led to the development of more than 70 transmission proposals to address one of the most severe energy reliability needs in this region. We commend PJM Staff for their thorough evaluation of all proposals and for moving forward with the recommended transmission solutions which they believe will ensure continued reliable operations in the region and the stability of the electric grid.

PJM Staff's recommendation of the MARL project has understandably resulted in calls for more information from interested stakeholders. We have reviewed all stakeholder feedback in detail, and we want to assure the PJM Staff and Board of Managers that the route is preliminary. Subject to Board approval, we look forward to engaging with local stakeholders starting in January 2024.

We are in the process of developing a detailed routing study to evaluate route alternatives, including routes that are more closely aligned with existing infrastructure corridors, all of which will be shaped by stakeholder input. Our goal is full transparency and collaboration with those communities and stakeholders that may be impacted, and we look forward to working with them to develop and execute on this project to ensure the critical electric reliability needs of the region are met.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Matt Valle".

Matt Valle
President, NextEra Energy Transmission

CC: Manu Asthana, PJM President and CEO
Mark Takahashi, PJM Board of Managers Chair
The PJM Board of Managers