
Fw: BGE Response: CR 169-2025 Amendment 1

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Hi Isaiah,

Will you please add this to the bill file/related docs for CR 169?

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Dear Council Chair Walsh,

Thank you so much for meeting with our team a few weeks ago to discuss Council Resolution 169-2025. We are sharing the below response to Amendment 1. Please feel free to give me a call at 667-313-0179 if you would like to discuss our response further.

Thank you again and as always appreciate the partnership.

Baltimore Gas and Electric Company (BGE) thanks the Howard County Council for the opportunity to comment on Council Resolution 169-2025. BGE respectfully submits this statement regarding Amendment 1 which adds language requiring maintenance and functionality standards for the EV charging stations and imposes penalties for failure to maintain in accordance with state law.

Regarding maintenance and functionality, BGE and all other electric utilities in the state of Maryland (PHI, Potomac Edison, and SMECO) report quarterly on charger reliability to the Maryland Public Service Commission. Any associated fines for not maintaining the National Electric Vehicle Infrastructure (NEVI) 97% uptime are already implemented by the PSC. BGE does not have separate agreements for charger uptime with individual counties. BGE is working to improve its public charger reliability through a rip and replace effort focused on removing aging, failing equipment and replacing with newer Level 2 chargers in areas that have experiences ongoing charger reliability issues.

BGE needs a signed easement agreement notarized and provided back to BGE no later than Friday, November 7, to move forward with this project as all funds for installation must be spent within the 2025 calendar year. BGE does not have Maryland Public Service Commission approval to spend any funds on public charging installations beyond 2025.

The Elkridge Library public charging installation is one of BGE's last public charging sites and BGE does not have authorization to install public chargers beyond 2025. This will be the 9th public charger site within Howard County (with a total of 21 charging stations). This would also be the 5th at a Howard County library.

Unfortunately, if Amendment 1 to CR 169-2025 passes BGE will be unable to move forward with the project due to the language proposed which would potentially subject BGE to penalties for situations outside of its control. BGE is sensitive to the intent of the language in the Amendment but assures the Council that oversight is already provided by the PSC.

BGE strongly supports Maryland's climate goals and would like to partner with the county and the State in their efforts to meet decarbonization goals. As an integrated energy delivery company, BGE has a critical role in enabling decarbonization in Maryland and appreciates Howard County's goals to address climate change.

Thank you for the opportunity to provide comments on CR 169-2025 and we look forward to being a partner to help achieve Maryland's goals using an optimal pathway that fosters greater affordability, equity, reliability, and resilience.

Please feel free to reach out to me directly at 667-313-0179 if you would like to discuss further.

Respectfully submitted,

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