



August 13, 2018

Dear Mayor Silberberg and Members of Council:

The Virginia Department of Mines, Minerals and Energy (DMME) is responsible for preparing and submitting to the Governor, the State Corporation Commission (SCC), and the General Assembly the 2018 Virginia Energy Plan covering a 10-year period to propose actions that are consistent with the Commonwealth's Energy Objectives and that will implement the Commonwealth's Energy Policy.

The preparation of the Virginia Energy Plan focuses on:

- Solar and Wind Resources
- Energy Efficiency
- Electric Vehicles and Advanced Transportation
- Storage
- Offshore Wind

DMME's preparation of the Virginia Energy Plan includes a stakeholder engagement process and acceptance of written comments. Written comments are due August 24, 2018.

The EPC requests that the City submit written comments to the DMME consistent with the City's energy priorities as identified by the Environmental Action Plan, including consideration of the EPC's draft recommendations in Phase 1 of the EAP update on Community Energy Use.¹

This is a rare opportunity for our broader energy priorities to be heard and considered in Richmond, and we should seize it.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "J. Kapsis".

Jim Kapsis
Chair
EPC

¹ [https://www.alexandriava.gov/uploadedFiles/tes/oeq/info/18-7744_EPC%20Recommendations\(1\)%20\(1\).pdf](https://www.alexandriava.gov/uploadedFiles/tes/oeq/info/18-7744_EPC%20Recommendations(1)%20(1).pdf)