RESOLVED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND, That the General Assembly approves the changes in the rate of payment to outside monitors and physicians adopted by the Board of Public Works at its meeting on March 24, 1976; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution be sent to the Department of Budget and Fiscal Planning.

Approved May 4, 1976.

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(House Joint Resolution No. 175)

A House Joint Resolution concerning

Conowingo Power Company

FOR the purpose of requesting that the Federal Power Commission expedite their hearings in the case of The Federal Power Commission v. Philadelphia Electric Company and Conowingo Power Company; and to request the Federal Power Commission to render a decision that will alleviate the economic hardship placed upon the residents of Northeastern Maryland by an earlier Commission decision.

The imposition of a temporary increase \$5,658,000 on the consumers of Conowingo Power Company has had a devastating impact upon the lives of many Northeastern Maryland residents and the full impact of the purchased power adjustment has been to cause a large percentage of the consumers to be unable to pay their utility bills.

The only protection to the customer in the State of Maryland from overcharges resulting from purchased power agreements lies in the action of the Federal Power Commission.

The Federal Power Commission has granted the request of the Office of the People's Counsel for the State of Maryland to reopen public hearings in order to review the Commission's earlier approval of a purchased power adjustment affecting the citizens of Northeastern Maryland; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND, That this Body urges the Federal Power Commission to expedite its rehearing in the matter of The Federal Power Commission v. Philadelphia Electric Company and Conowingo Power Company and further urges the Commission to render a decision favorable to the hard-pressed citizens of Northeastern Maryland; and be it further