

(2) exercising the right of condemnation in connection with the construction.

(b) (1) To obtain the certificate of public convenience and necessity required under § 7-207 of this subtitle for construction under this section, [an electric company] A PERSON shall file an application with the Commission at least 2 years before construction of the facility will commence.

(2) The Commission may waive the 2-year requirement on a showing of good cause.

(c) [An electric company] ~~A PERSON~~ THE APPLICANT shall:

(1) include in an application under this section the information that the Commission requests initially; and

(2) furnish any additional information that the Commission requests subsequently.

(d) (1) On the receipt of an application under this section, together with any additional information requested under subsection (c)(2) of this section, the Commission shall provide notice to:

(i) all interested persons;

(ii) the Department of Agriculture;

(iii) the Department of Business and Economic Development;

(iv) the Department of the Environment;

(v) the Department of Natural Resources;

(vi) the Department of Transportation; and

(vii) the Department of Planning.

(2) The Commission shall hold a public hearing on the application as required by § 7-207 of this subtitle, after:

(i) the receipt of any additional information requested under subsection (c)(2) of this section that the Commission considers necessary; and

(ii) any publication of notice the Commission considers to be proper.

(3) (i) At the public hearing, the Commission shall ensure presentation of the information and recommendations of the State units specified in paragraph (1) of this subsection and shall allow the official representative of each unit to sit during hearing of all parties.

(ii) Based on the evidence relating to the unit's areas of concern, the Commission shall allow each unit 15 days after the conclusion of the hearing to modify or affirm the unit's initial recommendations.