VIRGINIA ACTS OF ASSEMBLY -- 2011 SESSION

CHAPTER 601

An Act to authorize the Virginia Marine Resources Commission to grant and convey a permanent easement and right-of-way across the bed of the Piankatank River and a permanent easement and right-of-way across the bed of the Narrows adjacent to Hills Bay, including a portion of the Baylor Survey, to Virginia Electric and Power Company (Dominion Virginia Power), for the purpose of installing and operating a submarine electric distribution cable system.

[S 921]

Approved March 25, 2011

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Virginia:

1. § 1. The Virginia Marine Resources Commission is hereby authorized to grant and convey to Virginia Electric and Power Company, its successors and assigns, upon such terms and conditions as the Commission, with the approval of the Governor, shall deem proper, a permanent easement and right-of-way of 50 feet of width and a temporary right-of-way of a reasonable width as needed for the purpose of installing, constructing, maintaining, repairing and operating a submarine electric distribution cable system in and across the bed of the Piankatank River, including a portion of the Baylor Survey, the center line of such easement being described as follows:

Beginning at the mean low water mark on the south side of the Piankatank River and west of Twiggs Ferry Road Bridge, being the property line of a parcel of land now or formerly owned by Laura H. Hughes et al., in the County of Mathews, Virginia; said point having a coordinate value of latitude 37° 30′ 26.92″ north, longitude 76° 25′ 12.41″ west, being on the geographic datum NAD 1983(86), thence to a point ending at the low water mark on the north side of the Piankatank River and west of Twiggs Ferry Road Bridge being a property line of a parcel of land now or formerly owned by Allie J. and Carolyn A. Walton, Jr., R/S, in the County of Middlesex, Virginia; said point having a coordinate value of latitude 37° 30′ 47.49″ north, longitude 76° 25′ 12.60″ west, containing 2.36 acres more or less.

§ 2. The Virginia Marine Resources Commission is hereby authorized to grant and convey to Virginia Electric and Power Company, its successors and assigns, upon such terms and conditions as the Commission, with the approval of the Governor, shall deem proper, a permanent easement and right-of-way of 50 feet of width and a temporary right-of-way of a reasonable width as needed for the purpose of installing, constructing, maintaining, repairing and operating a submarine electric distribution cable system in and across the bed of the Narrows adjacent to Hills Bay, including a portion of the Baylor Survey, the center line of such easement being described as follows:

Beginning at the mean low water mark on the south side of the Narrows adjacent to Hills Bay and west of the Gwynn's Island Bridge, State Route 223, being the property line of a parcel of land now or formerly owned by William Edward Nelson and Cathleen Cameron Nelson, Trustees, in the County of Mathews, Virginia; said point having a coordinate value of latitude 37° 29' 15.94" north, longitude 76° 18' 35.06" west, being on the geographic datum NAD 1983(86), thence to a point, said point having a coordinate value of latitude 37° 29' 19.25" north, longitude 76° 18' 43.87" west, thence to a point ending at the low water mark on the north side of the Narrows adjacent to Hills Bay and west of the Gwynn's Island Bridge, State Route 223, being the property line of a parcel of land now or formerly owned by W.D. Jenkins, Est. in the County of Mathews, Virginia; said point having a coordinate value of latitude 37° 29' 19.76" north, longitude 76° 18' 43.87" west, containing 0.96 acres more or less.

§ 3. The portion of the property described above in § 1 (Piankatank River Crossing) that lies within the Baylor Survey is described below and shall not be considered part of the natural oyster beds, rocks and shoals in the waters of the Commonwealth:

Area within Public Ground No. 5, Mathews County: Beginning on the southern side of the Piankatank River, the first point being along the southern boundary of Public Ground No. 5, Mathews County, and thence upstream of and running parallel with the Twiggs Ferry Road Bridge to a point being: latitude 37° 30' 29.9741" north, longitude 76° 25' 12.7539" west, thence clockwise (northerly) to an intersection point along the joint boundary of Public Ground No. 5, Mathews County, being: latitude 37° 30' 38.5394" north, longitude 76° 25' 12.8303" west, thence clockwise (easterly) to a point along the boundary of Public Ground No. 5, Mathews County, being: latitude 37° 30' 38.6398" north, longitude 76° 25' 12.2107" west, thence clockwise (southerly) to an intersection point along the southern boundary of Public Ground 5, Mathews County, being: latitude 37° 30' 30.0916" north, longitude 76° 25' 12.1343" west, thence clockwise (westerly) to a point along the southern boundary of Public Ground No. 5, Mathews County, being the point of beginning and containing 0.99 acres; and

Area within Public Ground No. 3, Middlesex County: Beginning at the approximate middle of the Piankatank River, the first point being along the southern boundary of Public Ground No. 3, and thence running upstream of and parallel with the Twiggs Ferry Road Bridge to a point being: latitude 37° 30'

38.5394" north, longitude 76° 25' 12.8303" west, thence clockwise (northerly) to a point along the northern boundary of Public Ground No. 3, Middlesex County, being: latitude 37° 30' 41.8477" north, longitude 76° 25' 12.8599" west, thence clockwise (easterly) to a point along the northern boundary of Public Ground No. 3, Middlesex County, being: latitude 37° 30' 41.8510" north, longitude 76° 25' 12.2393" west, thence clockwise (southerly) to a point along the southern boundary of Public Ground No. 3, Middlesex County, being: latitude 37° 30' 38.6398" north, longitude 76° 25' 12.21066" west, thence clockwise (westerly) to the point along the southern boundary of Public Ground No. 3, Middlesex County, being the point of beginning and containing 0.38 acres. All values are in geographic datum NAD 1983(86).

The portion of the property described above in § 2 (Narrows Crossing adjacent to Hills Bay) that lies within the Baylor Survey is described below and shall not be considered part of the natural oyster beds, rocks and shoals in the waters of the Commonwealth:

Area within Additional Public Ground, as set aside by § 28.2-642 of the Code of Virginia, hereafter referred to as Additional Public Ground § 28.2-642: Beginning on the southern side of the Narrows adjacent to Hills Bay, the first point being along the southeastern boundary of Additional Public Ground § 28.2-642, Mathews County, at mean low water, said point being: latitude 37° 29' 15.7067" north, longitude 76° 18' 35.1665" west, thence clockwise (northwesterly) to an intersection point along the boundary of Additional Public Ground § 28.2-642, Mathews County, being: latitude 37° 29' 16.3774" north, longitude 76° 18' 36.9516" west, thence clockwise (northeasterly) to a point along the boundary of Additional Public Ground § 28.2-642, Mathews County, being: latitude 37° 29' 16.7449" north, longitude 76° 18' 36.4750" west, thence clockwise (southeasterly) to an intersection point along the southern boundary of Additional Public Ground § 28.2-642, Mathews County, at mean low water being: latitude 37° 29' 16.3072" north, longitude 76° 18' 35.3101" west, thence clockwise (southeasterly) along the mean low water line to a point along the southern boundary of Additional Public Ground § 28.2-642, Mathews County, being the point of beginning and containing 0.15 acres; and

Area within Public Ground No. 5, Mathews County: Beginning along the southern boundary of Public Ground No. 5, at a point being: latitude 37° 29' 16.3774" north, longitude 76° 18' 36.9516" west, thence clockwise (northwesterly) to a point along the northern boundary of Public Ground No. 5, Mathews County, being: latitude 37° 29' 17.9482" north, longitude 76° 18' 41.1325" west, thence clockwise (northeasterly) to a point along the northern boundary of Public Ground No. 5, Mathews County, being: latitude 37° 29' 18.1976" north, longitude 76° 18' 40.3413" west, thence clockwise (southeasterly) to a point along the southern boundary of Public Ground No. 5, Mathews County, being: latitude 37° 29' 16.7449" north, longitude 76° 18' 36.4750" west, thence clockwise (southwesterly) to the point along the southern boundary of Public Ground No. 5, Mathews County, being the point of beginning and containing 0.41 acres. All values are in geographic datum NAD 1983(86).

§ 4. The instruments granting and conveying these easements and rights-of-way from the Commonwealth to Virginia Electric and Power Company shall be in a form approved by the Attorney General. The legal descriptions above may be modified to correct any errors discovered during the process of finalizing these easements.

2. That an emergency exists and this act is in force from its passage.