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**Notice of Availability for Public Comment: Draft
Damage Assessment and Restoration Plan – Dominion
Energy Virginia Crystal City Substation Mineral Oil Spill**

Natural resource trustees, the United States Department of the Interior through the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service and the National Park Service, the Commonwealth of Virginia, and the District of Columbia Department of Energy and the Environment invite the public to review and comment on the draft Damage Assessment and Restoration Plan (DARP) and proposed Settlement Agreement for the Dominion Energy Virginia Crystal City Substation mineral oil spill in Arlington, VA.

In accordance with the Oil Pollution Act and through the Natural Resource Damage Assessment and Restoration process, the public is invited to submit comments during the 30-day period starting on February 6, 2018 (publication date of notice of the proposed Settlement Agreement and DARP in the Federal Register). The trustees will review and consider comments received during the public comment period (received no later than March 9, 2018) when preparing the final DARP. Interested parties may submit comments in the following two ways.

1. Submit comments electronically at the National Park Service's Planning, Environment, and Public Comment (PEPC) site:
<https://parkplanning.nps.gov/projectHome.cfm?projectID=75342>.
2. Mail or hand deliver comments to: Superintendent, George Washington Memorial Parkway Headquarters, Attn: Dominion DARP, 700 George Washington Memorial Parkway, McLean, VA 22101.

A copy of the proposed Settlement Agreement may also be obtained by mail from: Assistant Solicitor, Environmental Restoration Branch, Office of the Solicitor, U.S. Department of the Interior, 1849 C Street NW, Washington, D.C. 20240.

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BBB INVESTMENTS, LLC trading as CHILL ZONE, 2442 N HARRISON ST, ARLINGTON VA 22207. The above establishment is applying to the VIRGINIA DEPARTMENT OF ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGE CONTROL (ABC) for a WINE AND BEER ON PREMISES license to sell or manufacture alcoholic beverages. DUNG ANH BUI. NOTE: Objections to the issuance of this license must be submitted to ABC no later than 30 days from the publishing date of the first of two required newspaper legal notices. Objections should be registered at www.abc.virginia.gov or 800-552-3200.

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ABC LICENSE

Vasilou LLC trading as Delia's, 2931 S. Glebe Rd Arlington, Va 22206. The above establishment is applying to the VIRGINIA DEPARTMENT OF ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGE CONTROL (ABC) for a Wine and Beer on premises & Mixed Beverage on premises license to sell or manufacture alcoholic beverages. George Theodorou / Owner. NOTE: Objections to the issuance of this license must be submitted to ABC no later than 30 days from the publishing date of the first of two required newspaper legal notices. Objections should be registered at www.abc.virginia.gov or 800-552-3200.

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AT&T Mobility, LLC is proposing to modify wireless telecommunications antennas on an existing building rooftop located at 2425 Wilson Boulevard, Arlington, VA. The modification will consist of installing three antennas at a tip height of 90 feet above ground level. In addition, RRHs will be replaced with new RRHs and additional RRHs added as well. Any interested party wishing to submit comments regarding the potential effects the proposed facility may have on any historic property may do so by sending such comments to: Project 6118000298-SF c/o EBI Consulting, 6876 Susquehanna Trail South, York, PA 17403, or via telephone at (781) 273-2500.

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The 2015 DC Design House was located in McLean.

End of an Era

The D.C. Design House is no more. The annual style event in which a grand Washington-area home was transformed into a showcase house has closed its doors for the final time.

The board of directors for DC Design House, Inc., the nonprofit that oversees the running of the annual show house, voted unanimously to disband. Citing difficulty getting enough volunteer support, DC Design House co-founder Skip Singleton announced the decision last week saying, "We all want to proudly end the DC Design House on a high note for what we collectively achieved. We are grateful for our all-volunteer staff working hard throughout the years to keep costs low in an ef-

fort to maximize our annual donation to Children's."

After discussing a range of ways to continue, the board decided that it was time to end the annual showhouse.

"It's always been more than a month-long event; it was a year-long effort for our dedicated board, executive committee and volunteers," added Singleton. "And we want to thank each and every one of them for making the DC Design House the success it was."

Over the 10-year period of its existence, the effort attracted more than 90,000 visitors and raised more than \$2 million for Children's National Health System.

— MARILYN CAMPBELL

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

FROM PAGE 4

The Republican-led subcommittee indicated the reason for the denial was due to the fact that violence is already a crime and adding any other protected classes would make the law more complicated. Not extending protections on the basis of sexual orientation and gender identity sends a message that the protection of the LGBTQ+ community is not as important as that of individuals who experience violence on the basis of their race, religion, or national origin. This very problematic considering that anti-LGBT hate crimes are on the rise, particularly for the transgender community, which has seen an increase of more than 43 percent. Additionally, in 2017 a record number of deaths of transgender people were reported due to fatal violence.

This alarming information is a sign that our existing laws are not strong enough to protect the transgender community. For the

legislatures to not consider the spate of violence that is occurring in the transgender community is troubling. Failing to protect a community that is already vulnerable is problematic, especially for youth who identify or have yet to identify as transgender. It fosters an environment that is not inclusive and welcoming, which puts these youth at a greater risk for bullying, harassment, suicide, and violence.

I'm sure that the House of Delegates was not trying to send a message that health and safety of transgender individuals are not important. However, ignoring the problem because it would complicate laws we already have in place is not a step in the right direction. I think we all can agree that time could and should be made to work out these "complications," especially when lives are at stake.

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