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**Prince William County Civic Groups and Neighbors Demand Board of County
Supervisors Reject Dominion Energy's Vint Hill Station Upgrade**

*Residents argue industrial project severely threatens local quality of life while citing concerns
over Dominion's public outreach tactics to obscure true scale of the development*

WHAT: Dominion Energy is seeking a Special Use Permit (#SUP2025-00009) to upgrade its existing Vint Hill 230 kV switching station into a substantially larger 500 kV/230 kV hybrid substation/gas-insulated switching station. Residents argue Dominion has understated the project's true, industrial scale. The project is incompatible with the surrounding area because it introduces heavy industrial massing directly adjacent to established and developing residential communities, schools, and a daycare facility.

WHO: Virginia State Senator Danica A. Roem (District 30)
Delegate Elizabeth R. Guzman (22nd District)
Elizabeth H. Ward, Prince William County Sustainability Commission (Gainesville)
Elena Schlossberg, Executive Director, Coalition to Protect PWC
Mindy Diepenbrock and Lisa Cullen, Co-Founders of Save Braemar Coalition
Ginny Colgan Rose, Resident of Braemar Community
Temple Brown, Nokesville Resident

WHEN: **Tuesday, September 22, 2026 - 6:00 pm Rally and 7:00 pm**
Board of County Supervisors Vote on Vint Hill Substation Special Use Permit

WHERE: James J McCourt Building, 1 County Complex Ct, Woodbridge, VA 22192

WHY: Residents will reveal that Dominion's public outreach and PWC ePortal permit documentation has lacked transparency during the application process. Dominion has proposed a heavy industrial expansion without regard to the community's quality of life or the effects of cumulative clustering. The project doubles the facility footprint, adds 120-foot towers directly adjacent to Vint Hill Road, introduces multiple large-scale 500-230 kV transformers, a large generator, and connects an unspecified number of multiple high-voltage power lines in a hub-and-spoke pattern. The community contends that Dominion's public framing has consistently understated what is fundamentally a heavy industrial facility. It is clear that the proposed SUP lacks the zoning controls required for industrial substations in PWC. Further, the public filings lack adequate or clearly defined environmental management plans for the thousands of gallons of diesel fuel, tens of thousands of gallons of transformer oil, or SF-6 gas on site. These are real concerns for community members that should have been addressed earlier in the process.

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