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STATEMENT OF CHAIRMAN GLADYS BROWN DUTRIEUILLE

Before the Commission is the Joint Petition for Settlement (Settlement), Recommended Decision, and Exceptions thereto in the base rate case filed by Duquesne Light Company (Duquesne). The Settlement includes programs to assist the continued expansion of transportation electrification in the Duquesne service territory. Duquesne's existing transportation electrification programs include the offering of a time-of-use generation supply product for electric vehicle (EV) owners as well as the administering of an EV ChargeUp Pilot program in support of Level 2 and DC fast charging. While the time-of-use offering will continue, Duquesne and the Settling Parties propose a portfolio of new transportation electrification programs.

The programs are categorized into two areas: a charging infrastructure portfolio designed to assist investment in distribution upgrades and charging stations, and a customer portfolio designed to bolster education and informational awareness. The charging infrastructure portfolio targets two areas for the upgrade of infrastructure and installation of Level II and DC fast chargers:

- o a Public, Workplace and Multi-Unit Make-Ready Pilot, and
- o a Fleet and Transit Charging Pilot

The customer portfolio includes the following:

- o an Awareness, Education and Engagement program,
- o Fleet Electrification Advisory Services, and
- o a Registration Incentive.

As I have stated before, I believe electric utilities play a key role in supporting the prudent development of the EV marketplace. Look no further than the testimony in this proceeding which states, "transportation electrification market trends demonstrate there is a need and benefit for utility planning and investment in infrastructure and programs." To that end, I commend Duquesne and the Settling Parties for the inclusion of these programs.

December 16, 2021

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Gladys Brown Dutrieuille, Chairman

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