

**PENNSYLVANIA PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION  
HARRISBURG, PENNSYLVANIA 17120**

**Joint Application of PPL Interstate Energy Company and PPL Electric Utilities Corporation for All of the Necessary Authority, Approvals, and Certificates of Public Convenience (1) for the Transfer of PPL Corporation's Ownership Interest in PPL Interstate Energy Company to Talen Energy Corporation, and Certain Post Closing Transactions Associated therewith; (2) for the Transfer of Certain Property Interests Between PPL Electric Utilities Corporation and PPL Energy Supply, LLC, and its Subsidiaries in Conjunction with the Transfer of All of the Interests of PPL Energy Supply, LLC and its Subsidiaries to Talen Energy Corporation; (3) for any Modification or Amendment of Associated Affiliated Interest Agreements; and (4) for any Other Approvals Necessary to Complete the Contemplated Transactions**

**Public Meeting March 11, 2015  
2435752-ALJ  
Docket Nos. A-2014-2435752; A-2014-2435833**

**MOTION OF  
CHAIRMAN ROBERT F. POWELSON**

Before the Commission today for consideration is the Recommended Decision (RD) of Administrative Law Judge Susan D. Colwell (ALJ Colwell) recommending approval of a Joint Petition for Settlement (Joint Petition) resolving all outstanding issues related to PPL Interstate Energy Company's and PPL Electric Utilities Corporation's (PPL EU) (jointly, PPL) transfer of certain assets and authority related to PPL's spinning off of generation assets to a new, unaffiliated entity, Talen Energy.

I thank ALJ Colwell for her work on this matter and applaud the parties for reaching a reasonable settlement that is clearly in the public interest. There is, however, one Conclusion of Law in the RD that needs to be clarified. Conclusion of Law number 29 states:

Agreements that simply transfer or clarify existing property rights and interests for the existing PPL EU substation facilities located on property of PPL Energy Supply and/or its subsidiaries set forth in Joint Applicants' Exhibit 1,

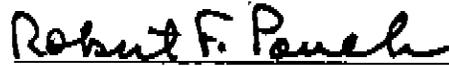
Appendix J, do not require approval because these agreements are simply transferring or clarifying existing rights and no consideration will be exchanged. 66 Pa. C.S. § 1102(a)(3).

By way of clarification, I note that it is the value of the property being transferred, and not whether there is consideration exchanged, that triggers the Commission's jurisdiction. As ALJ Colwell explained, however, because the easements and deeds of transfer at issue are simply memorializing existing PPL EU rights, or transferring existing PPL EU property located at PPL Energy Supply substations back to PPL EU, the Commission's jurisdiction is not triggered and no approvals are necessary. Joint Applicants' Statement No. 4 at 15.

I believe it is necessary, though, for PPL EU to file with the Commission a comprehensive list of the PPL EU property implicated at Joint Applicants' Exhibit 1, Appendix J, within 30 days of closing in order for the Commission to properly account for PPL EU's jurisdictional property.

**THEREFORE, I MOVE THAT:**

1. The Recommended Decision be modified consistent with this Motion; and
2. The Office of Special Assistants prepare an Opinion and Order consistent with this Motion.

  
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ROBERT F. POWELSON  
CHAIRMAN

**DATE: March 11, 2015**