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## BY HAND DELIVERY

Hon. Rosemary Chiavetta Secretary's Bureau Pennsylvania Public Utility Commission Commonwealth Keystone Building 400 North Street Harrisburg, PA 17120

> In re: Joint Application of Pike County Light and Power Company, Corning Natural Gas Holding Corporation and Orange and Rockland Utilities, Inc. for: Certificate or Certificates of Public Convenience Evidencing the Pennsylvania Public Utility Commission's Approval of: the Transfer by Sale of 100% of the Issued and Outstanding Stock of Pike County Light & Power Company, a Public Utility Providing Natural Gas and Electric Distribution Service in Pennsylvania, from Seller Orange and Rockland Utilities, Inc. to Buyer Corning Natural Gas Holding Corporation; Approval of Certain Affiliated Interest Filings and Security Certificates; and, All Other Approvals Or Certificates Appropriate, Customary or Necessary Under the Public Utility Code to Carry Out The Transactions : JOINT Described in the Application; Docket No. A-2015-APPLICATION FOR ALL REGULATORY APPROVALS UNDER THE PUBLIC UTILITY CODE OF PIKE COUNTY LIGHT & POWER COMPANY, CORNING NATURAL GAS HOLDING CORPORATION, AND ORANGE AND ROCKLAND UTILITIES, INC.

## Dear Secretary Chiavetta:

Enclosed for filing with the Pennsylvania Public Utility Commission ("Commission") is the Joint Application of Pike County Light and Power Company ("PCL&P"), Corning Natural Gas Holding Corporation ("CNGHC") and Orange and Rockland Utilities, Inc. ("Orange and Rockland") (collectively the "Joint Applicants"). Also enclosed is a check in the amount of \$350.00 to cover the filing fee for this Application. The Joint Applicants request pursuant to 52

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Pa. Code §1.34 that the approvals sought in this Application be considered related transactions which qualify for a single filing fee.

Given the small size of PCL&P and prevailing economic conditions an expedited review and decision of this matter is appropriate and requested. An extended review or proceeding will not be in the public interest as it will cause expense and time to the Joint Applicants and to the Commission. The Joint Applicants want to close the transaction as expeditiously as possible given that timing can affect financing of the Acquisition. The Joint Applicants request that the Application be decided within four (4) months of publication of notice in the Pennsylvania Bulletin.

Copies of this Application have been served as indicated below and on the attached Certificate of Service.

Very truly yours,

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I hereby certify that I have this day served a true and correct copy of the foregoing document upon the parties, listed below, in accordance with the requirements of 52 Pa. Code § 1.54 (relating to service by a party).

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