



COMMONWEALTH OF PENNSYLVANIA

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Rosemary Chiavetta, Secretary
Pennsylvania Public Utility Commission
Commonwealth Keystone Building
400 North Street
Harrisburg, PA 17120

**Re: Petition of Duquesne Light Company for Approval of its
Act 129 Phase III EE&C Plan - Docket Nos. M-2015-2515375**

Dear Secretary Chiavetta:

I am delivering for filing today the original of the Notice of Intervention, Public Statement, and Notice of Appearance, on behalf of the Office of Small Business Advocate, in the above-captioned proceeding.

Copies have been served today on all known parties in this case. A Certificate of Service to that effect is also enclosed.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Elizabeth Rose Triscari".

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Enclosures

cc: The Honorable Katrina L. Dunderdale
Mr. Robert Knecht
Parties of Record

**BEFORE THE
PENNSYLVANIA PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION**

Petition of Duquesne Light Company for :
Approval of its Act 129 Phase III Energy and : **Docket No. M-2015-2515375**
Efficiency Conservation Plan :

**NOTICE OF INTERVENTION
OF THE SMALL BUSINESS ADVOCATE**

The Office of Small Business Advocate (“OSBA”) files this Notice of Intervention in the above-captioned proceeding before the Pennsylvania Public Utility Commission (“Commission”). Duquesne Light Company initiated the proceeding by filing a Petition for Approval of its Act 129 Phase III Energy Efficiency and Conservation Plan on November 30, 2015. In support of this Notice of Intervention, the OSBA avers as follows:

1. The OSBA is an agency of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania authorized by the Small Business Advocate Act (Act 181 of 1988, 73 P.S. §§ 399.41 - 399.50) to represent the interest of small business consumers as a party in proceedings before the Commission.

2. Representing the OSBA in this proceeding is:

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**PUBLIC STATEMENT
OF THE SMALL BUSINESS ADVOCATE**

The Small Business Advocate is authorized and directed to represent the interests of small business consumers of utility services in Pennsylvania under the provisions of the Small Business Advocate Act, Act 181 of 1988, 73 P.S. §§ 399.41 - 399.50 (“Act”). The Act further provides that the Small Business Advocate is to issue publicly a written statement setting forth concisely the specific interest of small business consumers to be protected by his initiation of or intervention in any proceeding involving those interests before the Pennsylvania Public Utility Commission (“Commission”) or any other agency or court. This public statement relates to the Small Business Advocate’s intervention in the above-captioned Commission proceeding.

On November 30, 2015 Duquesne Light Company (“Duquesne” or “Company”) filed a Petition for Approval of its Act 129 Phase III Energy and Conservation Plan (“Phase III Plan”). The cost of the Phase III Plan over five years is projected to be \$97,652,861 million. It is designed to reduce annual consumption by 449,734,320 MWh and reduce demand by 44.1 MWh by May 31, 2021.

The Small Business Advocate is intervening in the above-captioned proceeding in order to protect the interests of the Company’s small business customers. A thorough inquiry by the Commission into all of the elements of the Company’s petition is

necessary to ensure that the Company's proposed Phase III Plan is in accord with Act 129 of the Public Utility Code, all other applicable statutes, and Commission regulations and orders.

In view of the foregoing, the Small Business Advocate is requesting that the petition be subject to investigation and evidentiary hearings before the Commission. The Small Business Advocate will ask the Commission to deny or modify any aspect of the Company's proposed Phase III Plan that is not proven by the Company to be in accord with the Public Utility Code and would result in rates that are not just and reasonable.

Dated: December 18, 2015

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Petition of Duquesne Light Company :
for Approval of its Act 129 Phase III : **Docket No. M-2015-2515375**
Energy Efficiency and Conservation Plan :

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that true and correct copies of the foregoing have been served via email and/or First-Class mail (unless other noted below) upon the following persons, in accordance with the requirements of 52 Pa. Code § 1.54 (relating to service by a participant).

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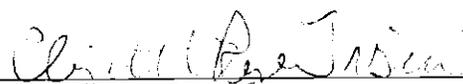
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