

**PENNSYLVANIA PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION
HARRISBURG, PENNSYLVANIA 17105**

NGDC Customer Account Number Access Mechanism for NGSs – Philadelphia Gas Works	Public Meeting: July 21,2016 2468991-OCM Docket No. M-2015-2468991
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MOTION OF VICE CHAIRMAN ANDREW G. PLACE

Before the Pennsylvania Public Utility Commission (Commission) is a recommendation from the Commission's Office of Competitive Market Oversight (OCMO) regarding the proposal of Philadelphia Gas Works (PGW or Company) to implement procedures facilitating natural gas suppliers' (NGS) access to PGW customer account numbers in instances where the account number is not available from either the customer or the Eligible Customer List (ECL).

PGW proposes the recovery of its costs for the implementation of the account number access mechanism through its Purchase of Receivables (POR) program and its existing Restructuring and Consumer Education Surcharge. Specifically, PGW proposes recovery of 70% of its costs from NGSs through a POR discount, with the remaining 30% recovered through the surcharge funded by all firm ratepayers.

However, upon examination, PGW's nascent POR program indicates that it is doubtful that the program can currently absorb costs of this magnitude, without raising POR discount rates to levels that could threaten the viability of the POR program itself. Therefore, I suggest that PGW submit a cost recovery that is less reliant on POR or that the Company propose an entirely different method of cost recovery.

THEREFORE, I move that:

1. Philadelphia Gas Works compliance plan cost recovery mechanism be rejected.
2. The Office of Special Assistants prepare an Opinion and Order consistent with this Motion.

DATE: July 21, 2016



Andrew G. Place, Vice Chairman