

PENNSYLVANIA PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION
Harrisburg, Pennsylvania 17105-3265

PA PUC, Bureau of Investigation and
Enforcement v. PECO Energy Company

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Docket No. C-2015-2479970

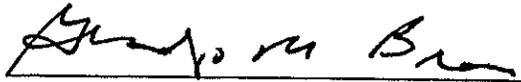
STATEMENT OF CHAIRMAN GLADYS M. BROWN

On July 17, 2014, when PECO Energy Company (PECO) performed an uprating project in Coatesville, a home exploded. Thankfully, no one was injured. Our Bureau of Investigation and Enforcement's (BI&E) investigation of the matter revealed that problems with the accuracy of PECO's maps of its service territory led to this incident. Before the Commission for consideration and disposition is the Joint Petition for Settlement (Settlement) filed by BI&E and PECO. The proposed Settlement provides that:

- PECO will develop a \$3 million gas mapping plan which will allow it to map and locate its facilities with sub-foot accuracy
- PECO will spend an additional \$2.3 million on related infrastructure improvements
- The re-mapping of the service territory will take 10-20 years
- PECO will pay a civil penalty of \$900,000 not to be recovered in rates

I believe that the work which PECO will undertake as a result of this Settlement is critical for public safety. Because this work is so essential, I do not understand why it should take up to 20 years. I urge PECO to narrow this timeline and carry out this work as swiftly as possible.

October 27, 2016
Date


Gladys M. Brown, Chairman