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INDEPENDENT REGULATORY REVIEW COMMISSION

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June 8, 2017

Rosemary Chiavetta, Secretary
Pennsylvania Public Utility Commission
Keystone Building, 400 North Street
2nd Floor, North Wing
Harrisburg, PA 17120

Re: Regulation #57-313 (IRRC #3132) L-2015-2500632
Pennsylvania Public Utility Commission
Electric Safety Regulations

Dear Secretary Chiavetta:

The Independent Regulatory Review Commission approved the subject regulation today. Our order is enclosed and will be available on our website at www.irrc.state.pa.us.

We appreciate the joint effort that went into producing a regulation that meets the criteria and intent of the Regulatory Review Act.

Sincerely,

George D. Bedwick

Chairman

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Enclosure

cc: Honorable Robert M. Tomlinson, Majority Chairman, Senate Consumer Protection and Professional Licensure Committee
Honorable Lisa M. Boscola, Minority Chairman, Senate Consumer Protection and Professional Licensure Committee
Honorable Robert W. Godshall, Majority Chairman, House Consumer Affairs Committee
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**INDEPENDENT REGULATORY REVIEW COMMISSION
APPROVAL ORDER**

Commissioners Voting:

Public Meeting Held June 15, 2017

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Regulation No. 57-313 (#3132)
Pennsylvania Public Utility Commission
Electric Safety Regulations

On January 27, 2016, the Independent Regulatory Review Commission (Commission) received this proposed regulation from the Pennsylvania Public Utility Commission (PUC). This rulemaking amends 52 Pa. Code Chapter 57. The proposed regulation was published in the February 6, 2016 *Pennsylvania Bulletin* with a public comment period that ended on March 7, 2016. The final-form regulation was submitted to the Commission on May 11, 2017.

This rulemaking amends existing regulations to facilitate safety inspections of electric utilities by the PUC's Electric Safety Division. In addition, the regulation addresses the separation of electric utilities and customer responsibilities, record-keeping requirements and enforcement. It also references the National Electric Safety Code (Code) and requires electric utilities to adhere to the Code.


We have determined this regulation is consistent with the statutory authority of the PUC (66 Pa. C.S. §§ 501 and 1501) and the intention of the General Assembly. Having considered all of the other criteria of the Regulatory Review Act, we find promulgation of this regulation is in the public interest.

BY ORDER OF THE COMMISSION:

This regulation is approved.

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