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#### Via First Class Mail

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Re: Philadelphia Gas Works Universal Service Plan for 2017-2020 Submitted in Compliance with <u>52</u> Pa. Code § 62.4, Docket No. M-2016-2542415 – January 1, 2018 Report

### Dear Secretary Chiavetta:

Please accept this January 1, 2018 Quarterly Status Update on behalf of Philadelphia Gas Works ("PGW") regarding its ongoing Hardship Funds discussions with the Utility Emergency Services Fund ("UESF") as required by Ordering Paragraph 7 of the Commission's August 3, 2017 Order.

Since the time of the October Quarterly Status Update, PGW has continued to engage in discussions with UESF regarding UESF's zero balance requirement for CRP customers, and one UESF grant every two-year requirement. UESF is in the process of evaluating possible changes to some of their policies, in light of some of the concerns identified in the October Quarterly Status Update. It is PGW's understanding that these changes have not yet been brought to UESF's Board of Directors for consideration and final approval since they are still being evaluated.

PGW would continue to note that to the extent that PGW is required to make changes that are not approved by UESF, PGW requests that the Commission allow for recovery of such payments, as well as the costs of administering the program (which is currently administered by UESF), through PGW's Universal Service and Energy Conservation Surcharge.

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Sincerely,

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### **CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

I hereby certify that this day I served a copy of PGW's Quarterly Report upon the persons listed below in the manner indicated in accordance with the requirements of 52 Pa. Code Section 1.54.

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