

**PENNSYLVANIA PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION**  
**Harrisburg, Pennsylvania 17120**

**Pennsylvania Public Utility  
Commission, et al.**  
v.  
**Citizens' Electric Company  
of Lewisburg, PA**

**Public Meeting held April 16, 2020**  
**3008212-OSA**  
**Docket No. R-2019-3008212**

**STATEMENT OF CHAIRMAN GLADYS BROWN DUTRIEUILLE**

Polling Issue No. 12

Before the Public Utility Commission (Commission) for consideration and disposition is the Recommended Decision issued on February 28, 2020, and Exceptions thereto, in the matter regarding Citizens' Electric Company of Lewisburg, PA (Citizens or the Company) proposed tariff supplement.

Citizens seeks to include a demand based (i.e. capacity based) component within its customer charge. For residential customers, the proposed charge would be comprised of \$12.94 in fixed customer costs and \$2.06 in demand related costs. Pursuant to the Commission's Policy Statement regarding alternative rates, Citizens states that its proposal here more closely aligns rates with costs and that it may serve as a step toward future rate designs promoting efficiency resource utilization by customers.<sup>1</sup>

While there is no rate design panacea to achieve cost causation and efficient utilization goals, I believe this proposal represents reasonable progress in the right direction. This is particularly the case given the ever-changing landscape of the electricity sector. As customer usage profiles evolve and distributed resource numbers grow it is incumbent that regulators consider new rate designs to foster efficient resource utilization. To that end, I wish to voice my support for Citizens proposal.



**April 16, 2020**  
**Date**

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**Gladys Brown Dutrieuille, Chairman**

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<sup>1</sup> Fixed Utility Distribution Rates Policy Statement, Final Policy Statement Order, Docket No. M-2015-2518883, Order entered July 18, 2019.