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**Via E-Filing**

Rosemary Chiavetta, Secretary  
Pennsylvania Public Utility Commission  
Commonwealth Keystone Building  
400 North Street  
Harrisburg, PA 17105-3265

**SUBJECT: 2018 Electric Distribution Rate Case Commitment - Vegetation Management Ash Tree Removal and Expense by Year, Docket No. R-2018-3000164**

Dear Secretary Chiavetta:

This filing contains PECO's 2020 status report required by the Joint Petition for Settlement of Rate Investigation, Docket No. R-2018-3000164, entered October 9, 2018. Per the settlement, the Company agreed to submit annual reports to the Bureau of Technical Utility Services, Bureau of Investigation and Enforcement, Office of Consumer Advocate and Office of Small Business Advocate that detail the number of ash trees removed per year and average cost per ash tree by year, along with a total breakdown of vegetation management expense by year. Yearly reporting will continue until the next electric base rate case is filed. PECO filed a base rate case on March 30, 2021 and as a result this is the last report as required by the 2018 settlement.

The following attachment is included in support of the filing:

Attachment 1 – Vegetation Management 2020 Ash Tree Removal and Expenses

Due to the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic, PECO's office personnel are working remotely. Accordingly, PECO will not have its usual access to photocopying and U.S. mail, among other services. PECO requests that all communications with PECO be transmitted by email.

Thank you for your assistance in this matter and if you have any questions please contact Richard A. Schlesinger, Manager, Retail Rates at (215) 841-5771 or via email: [rich.schlesinger@peco-energy.com](mailto:rich.schlesinger@peco-energy.com).

Sincerely,



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# ATTACHMENT 1

**PECO Vegetation Management**  
**2020 Ash Tree Removal and Expenses**

**Emerald Ash Borer Tree Removal Program**

<b>2020 Program Target Removals</b>	<b>2020 Program Actual Removals</b>	<b>2020 Budget</b>	<b>2020 Actual</b>	<b>2020 Average Cost per Tree Removal</b>
2,741	3,138	\$5.00M	\$5.01M	\$1,598

**Vegetation Management Expense**

<b>2020 Budget</b>	<b>2020 Actual</b>
\$51.5M	\$52.2M