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Rosemary Chiavetta, Secretary Pennsylvania Public Utility Commission 400 North Street, Filing Room Harrisburg, PA 17120

RE: <u>Pennsylvania Public Utility Commission v. Peoples Natural Gas Company, LLC</u>

Docket No. R-2023-3044549

Dear Secretary Chiavetta:

Please accept for filing the Pennsylvania Weatherization Providers Task Force, Inc.'s Pre-Hearing Conference Memorandum in the above-referenced matter. A copy of this filing was served in accordance with the attached Certificate of Service.

Respectfully submitted,

Joseph L. Vullo

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cc: All Parties of Record

# BEFORE THE PENNSYLVANIA PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION

Pennsylvania Public Utility Commission

Docket No. R-2023-3044549

Office of Consumer Advocate

v.

C-2024-3045268

Office of Small Business Advocate

C-20243045385

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Peoples Natural Gas Company, LLC

PENNSYLVANIA WEATHERIZATION PROVIDERS TASK FORCE, INC.'S PRE-HEARING CONFERENCE MEMORANDUM

# I. <u>HISTORY</u>

The Pennsylvania Weatherization Providers Task Force, Inc. (Task Force) intervened in this matter by Petition to Intervene filed with the PUC on January 18, 2024. The Task Force is a Pennsylvania non-profit corporation and a statewide association of thirty-seven (37) organization providing utility assistance and energy conservation services in each of the Commonwealth's sixty-seven (67) counties. The Task Force has intervened in prior matters before the Pennsylvania Public Utility Commission for the purpose of addressing a company's universal service programs and the effects of any requested rate increases, and rate design on low-income customers. The Task Force intervened in this particular matter to examine the effect of the proposed rate increase and rate structure on low-income customers and to address whether the Company's universal service programs are appropriately funded and available.

#### II. ISSUES TO BE PRESENTED BY THE TASK FORCE

1. Whether the Company's universal service programs are appropriately funded and available and whether those programs will remain appropriately funded and available if the request for a rate increase is granted.

- 2. The effect of any proposed rate increase or rate structure on the residential customer class and particularly low-income, residential customers.
  - 3. Such other additional issues as may arise during the discovery process.

# III. <u>WITNESSES</u>

The Task Force will present the testimony of Jennifer Warabak, a Members of the Task Force. The Task Force reserves the right to supplement this list of witnesses.

# IV. PROPOSED SCHEDULE

The Task Force is working with the other parties to agree upon a proposed schedule and expects an agreement to be reached before the prehearing conference.

Respectfully submitted,

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### **CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

The undersigned certified that he served a copy of the foregoing Pennsylvania Weatherization Providers Task Force Pre-Hearing Conference Memorandum upon the following participants this 31st day of Janaury, 2024, via electronic mail:

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