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***VIA ELECTRONIC FILING***

Rosemary Chiavetta, Secretary  
Pennsylvania Public Utility Commission  
Commonwealth Keystone Building  
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**Re: Duquesne Light Company Supplement No. 71 to Tariff Electric Pa. P.U.C. No. 25  
Docket No. R-2024-3046523**

Dear Secretary Chiavetta:

Duquesne Light Company ("Duquesne Light" or the "Company") hereby files Supplement No. 71 to the Company's Tariff Electric - Pa. P.U.C. No. 25. In Supplement No. 71, the Company is proposing a general increase in electric distribution rates of approximately \$133 million. Because the proposed base rate increase includes \$32 million of revenues currently recovered under surcharges, the increase to customers over current charges is \$101 million. Supplement No. 71 is appended to the Direct Testimony of David Ogden (Duquesne Light St. No. 14) as Exhibit DBO-1. Supplement No. 71 contains an issue date of March 20, 2024 and an effective date of May 20, 2024.

A summary of the reasons for the rate increase is provided in the Statement of Reasons contained in DLC Exhibit 1. Supporting data for the Supplement and requested revenue increase, including data requested by 52 Pa. Code §§ 53.52 - 53.53, is contained within the filing. The data in support of the proposed distribution rate increase is based upon a fully projected future test year ending December 31, 2025, as adjusted for ratemaking purposes.

If the Company's entire request is approved, the total bill for an average residential customer using 600 kilowatt-hours would increase from \$130.67 to \$139.19 per month, or 6.52%. The total bill for an average commercial customer using 10,000 kilowatt-hours would increase from \$1,207.43 to \$1,283.46 per month, or 6.30%. The total bill for an average industrial customer using 200,000 kilowatt-hours would increase from \$19,421.64 to \$20,610.56 per month, or 6.12%. These proposed increases and percentages represent total Duquesne Light rates, which include rates for

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distribution, surcharges, transmission and generation. These calculations are based on current rates in effect as of March 1, 2024.

This filing also includes a request for approval of the following alternative rate mechanisms: 1) Community Development Rider; 2) Residential Managed Charging and Behavioral Load Management Pilots; and 3) Electric Vehicle Time of Use Distribution Rates in accordance with 66 Pa. C.S. § 1330 (relating to alternative ratemaking for utilities.)

Duquesne Light hereby advises the Commission that it has elected to use the alternative method of customer notification set forth in Section 53.45(b)(4) of the Commission's regulations, 52 Pa. Code § 53.45(b)(4). Duquesne Light will notify its customers of the proposed rate increase through bill inserts along with press releases to local newspapers, radio and TV and paid newspaper advertisements in major local newspapers. The bill insert includes notice of the above-referenced alternative ratemaking mechanisms. Duquesne Light also agrees to extend from 60 to 90 days the minimum period within which the filing of a complaint places the burden of proof upon the Company with respect to proposed rates, pursuant to 52 Pa. Code §53.45(b)(4)(vi).

Duquesne Light will be represented by the following counsel in this proceeding:

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Duquesne Light's attorneys are authorized to accept service on behalf of the Company in this proceeding. Duquesne Light requests that the Commission and all parties serve copies of all documents in this proceeding on its attorneys.

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## REQUEST FOR CONFIDENTIAL TREATMENT OF PROPRIETARY INFORMATION

Confidential Exhibits contain information that Duquesne Light considers to be proprietary and confidential. These pages have been marked Confidential or Privileged and are enclosed in separate Book. Duquesne Light requests that the copies of the materials that have been marked Confidential or Privileged be given confidential treatment by the Commission, including its various offices and bureaus. That is, Duquesne Light requests that the Confidential and Privileged materials be excluded from the Commission's public document folder and that Confidential and Privileged copies not be disclosed to the public.

As indicated on the attached Certificate of Service, the Company has served copies of this filing on the Commission's Bureau of Investigation and Enforcement, the Office of Consumer Advocate, the Office of Small Business Advocate and all active parties in the Company's last base rate proceeding at Docket No. R-2021-3024750.

Respectfully submitted,



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Certificate of Service

## CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that true and correct copies of the foregoing have been served upon the following persons, in the manner indicated, in accordance with the requirements of § 1.54 (relating to service by a participant).

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