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March 24, 2010

James McNulty, Secretary  
Pennsylvania Public Utility Commission  
Commonwealth Keystone Building  
P.O. Box 3265  
Harrisburg, PA 17105-3265

Re: Duquesne Light Company Universal Service and Energy Conservation Plan for  
2011-2013

Docket No. M-2010-2161220

Dear Secretary McNulty:

On March 1, 2010, Duquesne Light Company ("Duquesne" or "Company") filed its Universal Service and Energy Conservation Plan for 2011-2013 ("USEC Plan") upon the Commission. The Office of Trial Staff ("OTS") has reviewed the various program components of Duquesne's USEC Plan, including the Customer Assistance Program ("CAP"), CARES Program, Hardship Fund, and Smart Comfort Program (Duquesne's low-income usage reduction program).

Following review of the USEC Program, OTS contacted Duquesne to express concerns regarding the proposed minimum biannual recertification process for CAP customer eligibility. OTS recommended that Duquesne retain a minimum annual recertification process for CAP customer eligibility in accordance with the Commission's Policy Statement on Customer Assistance Programs at 52 Pa. Code 69.265(2)(viii). Duquesne has indicated that it will amend the filed USEC Plan to incorporate a minimum annual recertification process in compliance with 52 Pa. Code 69.265(6)(viii).

OTS has no additional issues with regards to Duquesne's filed USEC Plan. However, as the amended USEC Plan has not been filed with the Commission, OTS will remain active in this proceeding to ensure that any proposed changes are in the public interest.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,

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