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RE: Joint Application of West Penn Power Company doing business as Allegheny Power Company, Trans-Allegheny Interstate Line Company and FirstEnergy Corporation for a Certificate of Public Convenience Under Section 1102(A)(3) of the Public Utility Code Approving a Change of Control of West Penn Power Company and Trans-Allegheny Interstate Line Company Docket Nos. A-2010-2176520

A-2010-2176732

Dear Secretary Chiavetta:

Enclosed for filing is the Notice of Appearance of the Office of Consumer Advocate, in the above-referenced proceeding.

Copies have been served as indicated on the Certificate of Service.

Respectfully Submitted,

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Enclosures

cc:

Honorable Wayne L. Weismandel

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BEFORE THE PENNSYLVANIA PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION

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NOTICE OF APPEARANCE

Please enter my appearance in the above-designated matter on behalf of the Office of Consumer Advocate. I am authorized to accept service on behalf of said participant in this matter.

I am already receiving or have access to a copy of each document issued by the Commission in this matter (alone, or in a consolidated proceeding) and do not on the basis of this notice require an additional copy.

Respectfully submitted,

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

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I hereby certify that I have this day served a true copy of the foregoing document, the Notice of Appearance of the Office of Consumer Advocate, upon parties of record in this proceeding in accordance with the requirements of 52 Pa. Code Section 1.54 (relating to service by a participant), in the manner and upon the persons listed below:

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