BEFORE THE PENNSYLVANIA PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION

PPL Electric Utilities Corporation – Petition:

For Approval of Act 129 Phase II Energy :

Docket No. M-2012-2334388

Efficiency & Conservation Plan

PETITION TO INTERVENE

NOW COMES, the Commission on Economic Opportunity (CEO), by and through counsel,

Joseph L. Vullo, Esquire, and petitions to intervene in the above-captioned matter averring as

follows:

1. The Petitioner, Commission on Economic Opportunity, is a not-for-profit corporation

organized and existing under the laws of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania with its principal

office located at 165 Amber Lane, P.O. Box 1127, Wilkes-Barre, Luzerne County, Pennsylvania,

18703-1127. CEO's telephone number is (570) 826-0510.

2. CEO is an advocate for its clients - the low income population of Luzerne County -

and has been directly involved in assuring that low income persons' utility costs are contained

through counseling, advice, payment assistance and energy conservation measures.

3. CEO seeks permission to intervene in PPL Electric Utilities Corporation's Petition for

Approval of Act 129 Phase II Energy Efficiency & Conservation Plan filed with the Commission.

4. PPL Electric Utilities Corporation serves customers in numerous counties including

Luzerne County. Additionally, CEO is a customer of PPL Electric.

- 5. CEO seeks permission to intervene in this matter to address in large part the portion of the Company's Plan that concerns low income customers. CEO reserves the right to address other parts of the Company's plan.
- 6. CEO's participation as an active party in this proceeding is required to protect its substantial interests and the substantial interests of the low income citizens it represents in ensuring that they receive the energy consumption benefits as required under Act 129. Accordingly, CEO's participation in this proceeding will serve the public interest.
- 7. Because CEO represents low income citizens in Luzerne County, the interests of its clients are not being protected by any other party to this action.

POSITIONS

- 8. CEO reserves the right to address all portions of the Company's Plan but its main purpose is to address that portion of the Plan that addresses low income customers.
- 9. There is a substantial public interest in ensuring that low income customers receive the consumption reduction benefits as required under Act 129.
- 10. CEO has been an active participant in this Company's prior requests for rate increases and other proceedings filed by this Company with the PUC.

REQUEST FOR RELIEF

WHEREFORE, the Commission on Economic Opportunity respectfully requests that the Commission:

1. Receive for filing and docket this Petition to Intervene in order that CEO be a party to such proceedings and be placed on all service lists.

- 2. Grant to CEO active party status with the right to participate in all proceedings relative to this matter.
 - 3. Order that the following individual be designated as CEO's recipients for service:

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- 4. Order that each party to the proceedings provide CEO's designated recipients with copies of all papers filed.
 - 5. Grant such other relief as the Commission may deem necessary and proper.

Respectfully submitted,

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VERIFICATION

I, EUGENE M. BRADY, Executive Director of Commission on Economic Opportunity, hereby verify that I am authorized to execute this Verification and that the facts set forth in the foregoing Petition to Intervene are true and correct to the best of my knowledge, information and belief.

> COMMISSION ON ECONOMIC **OPPORTUNITY**

Dated: 12/6/2012

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

The undersigned certified that he served a copy of the foregoing Commission on Economic Opportunity's Petition to Intervene upon the following participants this 6^{th} day of December, 2012, via first-class mail:

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