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Re: Supplement No. 61 to Tariff Electric – Pa PUC No. 4 effective February 14, 2013  
Updating Reconnection Charge to Include Charge for Remote Reconnections,  
Docket No. M-2009-2123944

Dear Secretary Chiavetta:

PECO Energy Company ("PECO") is submitting Supplement No. 61 to Tariff Electric Pa. P.U.C. No. 4, bearing an effective date of February 14, 2013.

PECO is adding a remote reconnection charge to Rule 18.7 Reconnection Charge of the Electric Tariff. This remote reconnection charge is related to the installation of the new AMI ("smart meters") meters which provide the ability to remote disconnect and connect power to the meter. This functionality added \$57 Million to the cost of the Smart Meter Technology Procurement and Installation Plan previously approved by the Commission on April 22, 2010 at Docket No. M-2009-2123944. Once fully deployed, the remote reconnection functionality is expected to generate \$13 Million in annual savings to PECO and customers. Because the reconnection charge is cost-based, the remote reconnection charge will be significantly lower (\$20) than reconnections physically completed at the customer premise, which currently range from \$75 to \$1,650.

In support of Supplement No. 61 we are providing the following:

Attachment 1 – Revised Electric Tariff page reflecting the revision to Rule 18.7  
Attachment 2 – Q&A Information furnished under 52 Pa. Code, Section 53.52(a)

Thank you for your assistance in this matter and please direct any questions regarding the above to Richard Schlesinger, Manager, Retail Rates (215) 841-5771.

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**ATTACHMENT 1**

# PECO Energy Company

Electric Service Tariff

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**COMPANY OFFICE LOCATION**

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For List of Communities Served, See Page 4.

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LIST OF CHANGES MADE BY THIS SUPPLEMENT

RULES AND REGULATIONS – 5<sup>th</sup> Revised Page No. 25

Updating Reconnection Charge to Include Charge for Remote Reconnections.

**PECO Energy Company**

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**17.7 CALCULATION OF LATE FEE.** Where a late fee is applicable, the amount of the late fee to be added to the unpaid balance shall be calculated by multiplying the unpaid past due balance, exclusive of any previous unpaid late fees, by the appropriate late fee rate.

**17.8 TAX EXEMPTION.** If a customer is tax exempt, the customer must provide a tax exempt form to PECO Energy and to its EGS, regardless of which billing option the customer chooses.

**17.9 BILLING ERRORS.** When the Company provides Consolidated EDC Billing, PECO Energy shall not be responsible for billing errors resulting from incorrect price information received from an EGS.

**17.10 RETURNED CHECK CHARGE.** If a check received in payment of a customer's account is returned to the Company unpaid or if upon a second attempt by the Company or its agent for payment the check is again returned unpaid, then the Company will add a returned check charge to the customer's account in the amount of \$20.00.

**17.11 APPLICABILITY TO CUSTOMERS RESIDING AT PLACE OF BUSINESS.** For purposes of all of the provisions of Rule 17, when a customer resides at a place of business or commercial establishment legitimately served pursuant to a commercial or industrial Base Rate, that is not a residential dwelling unit attached thereto, the customer is not thereby entitled to any of the protections in the Public Utility Code or the Commission's regulations implementing the Pennsylvania Public Utility Code, or to any of the provisions of these rules or this Tariff, that apply exclusively to payment terms for residential customers.

**18. PAYMENT TERMS & TERMINATION OF SERVICE**

**18.1 NON-PAYMENT TERMINATION.** When the Company is providing either Consolidated EDC Billing or Separate EDC Billing, the customer is subject to collection action, including termination of service (in accordance with the Pennsylvania Public Utility Code or the Commission's regulations, on the portion of the past due amount attributable to the Company's charges for: (1) service, (2) Energy and Capacity and (3) to Customer EGS Receivables purchased by the Company. Upon termination of service, the Company may also remove its equipment. Notice that complies with applicable Commission regulations shall conclusively be considered to be "reasonable" hereunder. Consistent with 52 PA Code §56.100, the Company will accept the following most current and valid documents as proof of household income: (1) income tax returns; (2) pay stubs; (3) benefit letters and governmental agency verification; (4) other forms to be accepted at the Company's discretion.

The customer must provide this information within 10 days of the Company's request. This information may also be used by the company to determine deposit requirements, payment arrangements, and any other income specific program.

**18.2 PAYMENT TERMS.** When the Company is providing either Consolidated EDC Billing or Separate EDC Billing, the Company will in accordance with Pennsylvania Public Utility Law and applicable Pennsylvania Public Utility Commission Regulations and Orders, negotiate payment arrangements on the portion of the past due amount attributable to its charges for: (1) service (2) Energy and Capacity and (3) to Customer EGS Receivables purchased by the Company. However, the Company will not negotiate payment arrangements on behalf of an EGS.

**18.3 TERMINATION FOR CAUSE.** The Company may terminate on reasonable notice if entry to the meter or meters is refused or if access thereto is obstructed or hazardous; or if utility service is taken without the knowledge or approval of the Company; or for other violation of these Rules and Regulations and/or applicable Commission rules, including those found at Pennsylvania Public Utility Code or the Commission's regulations.

**18.4 SAFETY TERMINATION.** The Company may terminate without notice if the customer's installation has become hazardous or defective.

**18.5 DEFECTIVE EQUIPMENT TERMINATION.** The Company may terminate without notice if the customer's equipment or use thereof might injuriously affect the equipment of the Company, or the Company's service to other customers; or if a certificate of approval is refused after a re-examination of the customer's installation by a competent inspection agency authorized to perform this service in the specific locality where service is provided.

**18.6 TERMINATION FOR FRAUD.** The Company may terminate without notice for abuse, fraud, material misrepresentation of the customer's identity, or tampering with the connections, the Company's meters, or other equipment of the Company.

**18.7 RECONNECTION CHARGE.** If service is terminated or discontinued by reason or act of the customer, the same customer, whether an applicant or a customer as defined at 66 Pa. C.S. § 1403, shall pay a reconnection charge prior to restoration of service at the same address within twelve months after discontinuance or termination. The reconnection charges, listed below, are based on the Company's current standard schedule of reconnection fees, which include direct labor costs, contractor costs, and material/transportation costs. In the case of fraud, the reconnection charge will also include allocated overheads, all investigative costs, and administrative costs as determined by the Company. All theft and fraud reconnections will be completed at the premise and will not be performed remotely.

	Reconnect Fees For Non-Payment	Reconnect Fees For Theft / Fraud
Electric Reconnect at the Meter	\$ 75.00	\$ 350.00
Electric Reconnect at Tap	\$ 260.00	\$ 1,180.00
Electric Reconnect - Underground dig	\$ 1,650.00	\$ 4,450.00
Electric with dual meters	\$ 100.00	\$ 350.00
Electric Remote Reconnect (one or dual meters)	\$ 20.00	N/A

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**ATTACHMENT 2**

## Proposed Changes to Electric Tariff No. 4 Supplement No. 61

Information furnished with the filing of rate changes under 52 Pa. Code, Section 53.52(a).

### **(a)(1) The specific reason for each change**

PECO is adding a remote reconnection charge to Rule 18.7 Reconnection Charge of the Electric Tariff. The remote connect functionality was explained in Docket No. M-2009-2123944, the Smart Meter Technology Procurement and Installation Plan. This remote reconnection charge is related to the installation of the new AMI meters which provide the ability to remote disconnect and connect power to the meter. This functionality added \$57 Million to the cost of the implementation plan. Once fully deployed, the remote reconnection functionality is expected to generate \$13 Million in annual savings to PECO. Because the reconnection charge (\$20) is cost-based, the remote reconnection charge will be significantly lower than reconnections physically completed at the customer premise (range from \$75 to \$1,650).

### **(a)(2) The total number of customers served by the utility.**

As of November 1, 2012 PECO Energy served 1,578,112 electric customers.

### **(a)(3) A calculation of the number of customers, by tariff subdivision, whose bills will be affected by the change.**

Rates	# of Customers
R	1,245,022
RH	171,582
GS	148,744
HT	3,106

### **(a)(4) The effect of the change on the utility's customers.**

If remote reconnect is available, then the customer will see a reduction in their reconnection charge. For example, a reconnection at the meter is \$75 compared to the \$20 remote reconnection charge.

### **(a)(5) The effect, whether direct or indirect, of the proposed change on the utility's revenue and expenses.**

The reduced revenue from charging less for remote reconnection charges will be offset by reduced operational expenses. Remote reconnection technology from the new AMI meters reduces the need to dispatch a truck to physically reconnect at the customer's premise.

**(a)(6) The effect of the change on the service rendered by the utility.**

Service rendered by the Company will not be affected by this proposed reconnection charge change.

**(a)(7) A list of factors considered by the utility in its determination to make a change. The list shall include a comprehensive statement as to why these factors were chosen and the relative importance of each. This subsection does not apply to a portion of a tariff change seeking a general rate increase as defined in 66 Pa. CS 1308.**

The benefit of AMI meters, as approved in the Smart Meter Technology Procurement and Installation Plan, has provided PECO with the opportunity to use technology to reduce operational expenses.

**(a)(8) Studies undertaken by the utility in order to draft its proposed change. This paragraph does not apply to a portion of the tariff change seeking a general rate increase as defined in 66 Pa. C.S. 1308.**

A cost-based study was completed to design the new remote reconnection charge. This study focused on the remaining costs associated with the AMI reconnection charge. This includes call center charges, back-office support functions as well as IT costs.

**(a)(9) Customer polls taken and other documents, which indicate customer acceptance and desire for the proposed change. If the poll or other documents reveal discernable public opposition, an explanation of why the change is in the public interest shall be provided.**

The Company met with various departments within the Pennsylvania Public Utility Commission and low income advocate groups to discuss the remote reconnection capabilities of the AMI meters during the Smart Meter Technology Procurement and Installation Plan proceeding.

**(a)(10) Plans the utility has for introducing or implementing the changes with respect to ratepayers.**

PECO will notify customers of the reconnection charge changes through a bill insert or newsletter.

**(a)(11) F.C.C., FERC, or Commission orders or ruling applicable to the filing.**

PECO filed the Smart Meter Technology Procurement and Installation Plan, Docket No. M-2009-2123944, which includes information on the remote capabilities and operational savings associated with this function. This filing was approved on April 22, 2010.

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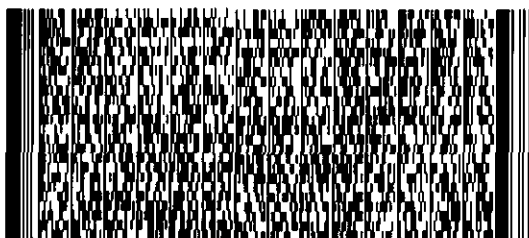
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