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PENNSYLVANIA PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION  
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October 27, 1998

Re: Duquesne Light Company Restructuring Case  
Docket No. R-00974104

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To: All Parties of Record

On October 23, 1998, Duquesne Light Company filed an Emergency Petition to Modify Schedule for Filing Comments on Generation Auction Plan. This Petition was filed on behalf of Duquesne and the Supporting Parties, consisting of the Office of Consumer Advocate, the Duquesne Industrial Intervenors, the Office of Small Business Advocate, the Environmentalists, Hospital Shared Services/Administrative Resources, Inc., the Pennsylvania Retailers Association, the International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers, and the Office of Trial Staff.

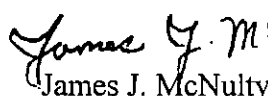
By this Petition, Duquesne and the Supporting Parties request that the Commission extend the time for filing comments and reply comments on Duquesne's Generation Auction Plan. The Commission's Restructuring Order in this case provides that interested parties must file comments, if any, on the Generation Auction Plan 60 days following its submission, with reply comments by Duquesne due 30 days thereafter.

Duquesne filed its Generation Auction Plan on August 27, 1998. Depending on the mode of delivery, comments would be due on either October 27 or October 30. A technical conference was convened on October 21 to discuss the Generation Auction Plan. At that time, several parties indicated a desire for additional time to prepare comments, particularly with respect to the generation exchange with FirstEnergy Corp. that was announced on October 14.

Duquesne and the Supporting Parties request that the date for filing comments be extended to November 6, 1998, except that the Supporting Parties request permission to file comments on November 9, 1998 if such additional time is necessary to evaluate supplemental information received from Duquesne regarding the generation exchange. Also, Duquesne and the Supporting Parties request that Duquesne be permitted to file reply comments within 14 days following the receipt of comments, with Duquesne using its best efforts to file such reply comments at an earlier date to facilitate Commission review of the Auction Plan.

The proposed changes to the schedule for submitting comments to the Generation Auction Plan are reasonable. Therefore, the Commission approves the modifications as outlined in Duquesne's Petition and as set forth above.

Very truly yours,

  
James J. McNulty  
Secretary

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