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**Re: Application of Duquesne Light Company to Approve
Restructuring Plan Pursuant to 66 Pa. C.S. § 2206(d);
Docket No. R-00974104**

Dear Ms. Barrón:

The purpose of this letter is to address Duquesne Light Company's July 26, 2000 motion for an extension of time to file its reconciliation of the proceeds from the auction of its generation assets.

In the Commission's April 13, 2000 order, the Commission directed Duquesne to file a reconciliation of auction proceeds and transaction costs resulting from the divestiture of its generation assets. Duquesne was also directed to file a proposal for future reconciliation filings of its competitive transition charge amortization. Originally Duquesne was to have submitted these filings 60 days after the closing of the auction.

On June 22, 2000, the Commission granted Duquesne's request for a 30-day extension because the auction proceeds reconciliation filing would have coincided with Duquesne's filing of its "POLR II" petition. The Commission found that the delay would "not affect the benefits to ratepayers of the \$1.705 billion purchase price for Duquesne's assets." July 22, 2000 Order at p. 3. The auction proceeds reconciliation filing was then due on July 27, 2000.

In support of its instant request for an extension of time until August 4, 2000, Duquesne states that it is in the final stages of completing its filing, compiling support for the costs incurred resulting from the auction and completing a final accounting of stranded costs. Duquesne states that it will need several more days to finalize the document and that it expects to make its filing by August 4, 2000. Duquesne also states that the delay in filing will not prejudice any party or affect the benefits of the auction that are to be received by ratepayers.

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Please be advised that the requested extension is approved. Duquesne is directed to file its reconciliation of auction proceeds as required by the Commission's April 13, 2000 order by August 4, 2000.

Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "James J. McNulty".

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