THE PENNSYLVANIA UTILITY LAW PROJECT

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Via E-Filing

Secretary Rosemary Chiavetta Pennsylvania Public Utility Commission P.O. Box 3265 Harrisburg, PA 17105-3265

Re: Duquesne Light Company's Petition for

Approval of its Act 129 Phase II EE&C Plan

Docket No. M-2012-2334399

Dear Secretary Chiavetta:

On December 1, 2012, the Pennsylvania Bulletin published notice of Duquesne Light Company's Petition for Approval of its Phase II EE&C Plan which was filed with the Pennsylvania Public Utility Commission on November 15, 2012. <u>See</u> 43 Pa.B. 7372. That notice provided a period of 20 days for parties to submit comments to PPL's proposed plan.

In the interim, Duquesne's Petition was referred to the Office of Administrative Law Judge and was assigned to ALJ Dennis Buckley for hearings and referral to the Commission for a decision. On December 6, 2012, the Coalition for Affordable Utility Services and Energy Efficiency in Pennsylvania (CAUSE-PA) filed a Petition to Intervene and a Prehearing Memorandum in this proceeding. By Order dated December 12, 2012, ALJ Buckley granted CAUSE-PA's Petition to Intervene and established a procedural schedule. The procedural schedule calls for other parties to file Direct Testimony by noon on January 3, 2013. CAUSE-PA intends to file Direct Testimony and fully participate in the litigated proceeding.

Because the notice filed in the Pennsylvania Bulletin requires the filing of comments within 20 days of its publication, CAUSE-PA is filing this letter in lieu of comments to inform the Commission of its intent to fully participate in the captioned proceeding through the filing of testimony and briefing. CAUSE-PA will not be filing comments separately from the testimony of its witness.

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Should you have any question or concerns about this filing please do not hesitate to contact the undersigned.

Very sincerely,

Patrick M. Cicero

CC: Certificate of Service

BEFORE THE PENNSYLVANIA PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION

Petition of Duquesne Light Company :

for Approval of its Act 129 Phase II : M-2012-2334399

Energy Efficiency and Conservation Plan

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that on **December 21, 2012** I have served the foregoing as set forth below in accordance with the requirements of 52 Pa. Code § 1.54 (relating to service by a party).

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