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

Re: Joint Application of Peoples Natural Gas Company,

LLC, Peoples TWP, LLC and Equitable Gas Company, LLC for all of the authority and the necessary certificates of public convenience Docket Nos. A-2013-2353647, A-2013-2353649

and A-2013-2353651

Dear Secretary Chiavetta:

Enclosed for filing please find the Prehearing Memorandum of United Steelworkers Local 12050 in the above-referenced proceeding.

The document was filed electronically with the Commission on this date.

Very truly yours,

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Enclosure

cc: Mark A. Hoyer, Administrative Law Judge All parties per Certificate of Service

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BEFORE THE PENNSYLVANIA PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION

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Joint application of Peoples Natural Gas Company, LLC, Peoples TWP, LLC and Equitable Gas Company, LLC for all of the authority and the necessary certificates of public convenience: 1) to transfer all of the issued and outstanding limited liability company membership interest of Equitable Gas Company, LLC to PNG Companies, LLC; 2) to merge Equitable Gas Company, LLC with Peoples Natural Gas Company, LLC; 3) to transfer certain storage and transmission assets of Peoples Natural Gas Company, LLC to affiliates of EQT Corporation; 4) to transfer certain assets between Equitable Gas Company, LLC and affiliates of EQT Corporation; 5) for approval of certain ownership changes associated with the transaction; 6) for approval of certain associated gas capacity and supply agreements; and 7) for approval of certain changes in the tariff

of Peoples Natural Gas Company, LLC

Docket Nos. A-2013-2353647

A-2013-2353649 A-2013-2353651

PRE-HEARING MEMORANDUM OF

UNITED STEELWORKERS INTERNATIONAL UNION, LOCAL 12050

Pursuant to 52 Pa. Code § 5.222(d)(1), United Steelworkers, Local 12050 ("USW") hereby files this Pre-hearing Memorandum.

- 1. Party Identification: The USW is the authorized collective bargaining representative of approximately 180 employees of Equitable Gas Company, LLC ("Equitable").
- 2. Representation and Service: The USW is represented by the undersigned counsel, upon whom all documents should be served. Pursuant to 52 Pa. Code § 1.54(b)(3), the USW consents to the service of documents by electronic mail to counsel's email address, to be followed with a hard copy serviced on counsel by first class mail. Contact information for counsel is as follows:

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- 3. <u>History of the Proceeding</u>: On or about March 18, 2013, Peoples Natural Gas Company, LLC; Peoples TWP, LLC (hereinafter referred to together as "Peoples"); and Equitable filed a joint application ("Application") with the Commission seeking approval for the proposed merger of Equitable, with and into Peoples, as well as related transactions, as set forth in the Application. The USW filed a Petition to Intervene in this proceeding on April 12, 2013.
- 4. <u>Proposed Schedule and Discovery</u>: The USW will cooperate with the ALJ and the parties to formulate a reasonable procedural schedule and discovery rules in accordance with the Commission's regulations and ALJ directives.
- 5. <u>Witnesses</u>: The USW has not yet determined if it will be filing testimony in this proceeding, and therefore, it has not determined if it will have a witness. If it decides to call a witness, it will immediately provide notice to the parties and the ALJ of the identity of the witness and the anticipated subject matter of the testimony.
- 6. <u>Issues</u>: The USW has not yet identified specific issues, if any, it intends to address on the record in this proceeding. The ultimate issue of concern to the USW is the impact of the proposed transaction on its members currently employed by Equitable.

Respectfully submitted,

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that I have this day served a true copy of the foregoing document upon the parties listed below, in accordance with the requirements of 52 Pa. Code § 1.54 (relating to service by a party).

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