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Pennsylvania Public Utility Commission v. PP&L, Inc.

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NOTICE OF PETITION by PP&L, Inc., at No. 1880 C.D. 1998, Commonwealth Court of Pennsylvania, from the order of the Commission dated June 15, 1998 in the above-captioned proceeding.

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The Honorable Sam McCullough
Secretary, Department of Community
and Economic Development
Room 433 Forum Building
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Dear Secretary McCullough:

Thank you for forwarding us a letter from the Executive Council for Economic Leadership, City of Lancaster, and its views about the recent decisions of the Public Utility Commission regarding the final restructuring plan for the Pennsylvania Power and Light Company (PP&L) under the Electricity Generation Customer Choice and Competition Act.

PP&L filed a Petition for Reconsideration on June 26, 1998, before the Commission requesting the Commission to increase the amount of stranded costs PP&L could recover from \$2.86 billion to approximately \$4 billion. In its original restructuring plan filed in April of 1998, PP&L had requested \$4.04 billion in stranded cost recovery.

At its Public Meeting of July 9, 1998, the Commission denied PP&L's reconsideration request. PP&L is now free to pursue its appeal which the utility filed before the Commonwealth Court of Pennsylvania challenging the Commission's Order.

We appreciate having the benefit of the views of the Executive Council for Economic Leadership on this matter and I have taken the liberty of forwarding the correspondence to the Secretary of the Commission for inclusion into the official file of this proceeding.

Sincerely,

Rosemary Chiavetta
Rosemary Chiavetta, Esq.
Director of Legislative Affairs

- cc: PUC Chairman John Quain
- PUC Vice Chairman Robert Bloom
- PUC Commissioner David Rolka
- PUC Commissioner Nora Mead Brownell
- PUC Commissioner Aaron Wilson, Jr.
- PUC Secretary James McNulty

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Dear Secretary McCullough:

As members of the Executive Council for Economic Leadership, a group dedicated to the economic revitalization of the City of Lancaster, we write to offer our support for a strong community partner and employer, Pennsylvania Power & Light (PP&L), and ask for your assistance in ensuring their viable future.

Recently, the Public Utility Commission ruled against an administrative law judge's recommendation that would have permitted PP&L to recover about \$4 billion in stranded costs needed to cover the expenses associated with transitions in the utility industry. The PUC ruling, allowing for only \$2.86 billion in recovery costs, will not only impose a significant hardship on our local utility, it will almost certainly end the strong community partnership PP&L has long offered to the citizens and businesses of Lancaster County.

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On behalf of our community, we ask that you involve yourself in this PUC decision in order to ensure that PP&L remains the strong corporate and community citizen that we have relied on and benefited from for many years.



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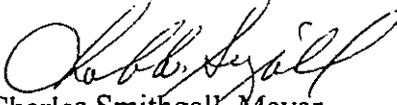
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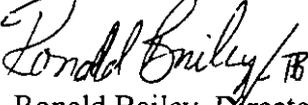
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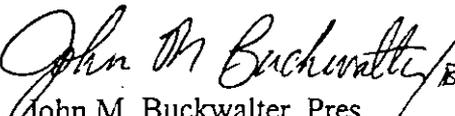
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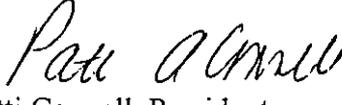
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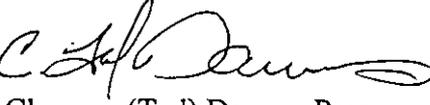

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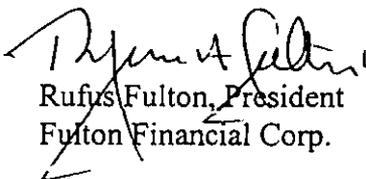

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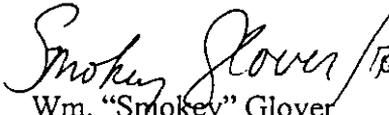

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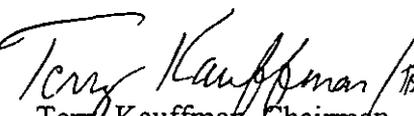

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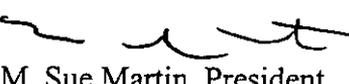

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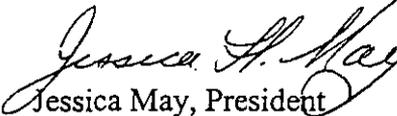

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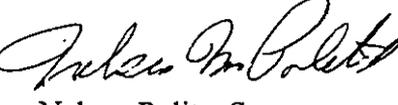

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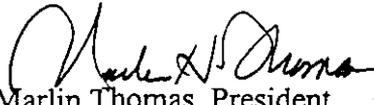

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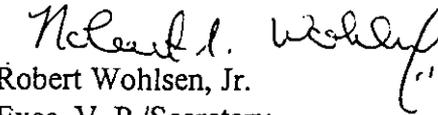

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The Honorable Gibson E. Armstrong
Senate of Pennsylvania
Senate Post Office - Main Capitol
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Dear Senator Armstrong:

Thank you for your letters of July 1, 1998, to Commissioners David Rolka, Nora Mead Brownell, and Aaron Wilson, Jr. of the Pennsylvania Public Utility Commission regarding a letter you received from the Executive Council for Economic Leadership, City of Lancaster, commenting on the restructuring case of the Pennsylvania Power and Light Company (PP&L) which was pending before the Public Utility Commission.

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Thank you again for the benefit of your thinking on this matter.

Sincerely,

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July 1, 1998

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Dear Dave:

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I know the procedure is extremely complicated and you have a difficult job deciphering all the information, but I would ask you to re-examine the final order which will be before you July 9th, 1998.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Gibson E. Armstrong".

Gibson E. Armstrong, Senator
Lancaster and York Counties

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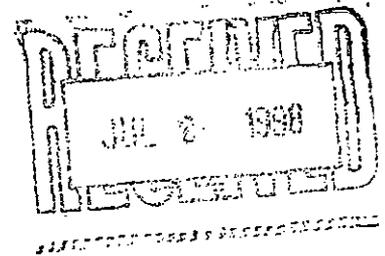
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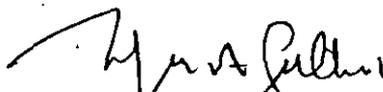
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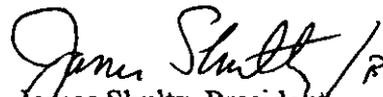
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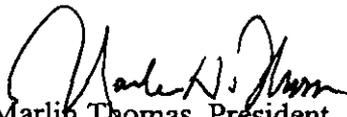
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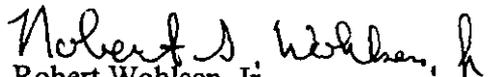
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