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July 20, 1998

**Re: Application of Pennsylvania Power & Light Company for Approval of
Restructuring Plan; Docket No. R-00973954**

To: All Parties of Record

By letters submitted on July 14 and 15, 1998, the Office of Consumer Advocate (OCA) and the PP&L Industrial Customer Alliance (PPLICA) request extensions of time for submitting comments to PP&L's compliance filing, which was filed on July 17, 1998. Under the terms of the Commission's Order adopted on June 4, 1998, comments are due within seven days after the submission of the Company's compliance filing. Therefore, comments are due on July 24, 1998. The parties request an extension until July 31, 1998.

The OCA and PPLICA explain that this request is necessitated by the fact that two other compliance filings, those of Metropolitan Edison Company (Met-Ed) and Pennsylvania Electric Company (Penelec), are due to be filed on July 20, 1998. In order to adequately review these three complex filings, the OCA and PPLICA urge the Commission to grant them an additional week for submitting comments to PP&L's compliance filing. By separate requests, the parties have also sought to extend the time for submitting comments to the Met-Ed and Penelec compliance filings until July 31, 1998. Both parties commit to completing their review as promptly as possible and recognize the importance of resolving compliance issues in a timely manner.

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Given the concerns raised by the OCA and PPLICA regarding the need for additional time to ensure an adequate review of PP&L's compliance filing, we believe that an extension for the filing of comments is reasonable. We are concerned, however, about our ability to thoroughly review the comments in a timely manner if we receive comments in all three proceedings on the same date.

Therefore, we extend the time for all parties of record to file comments to PP&L's compliance filing to July 28, 1998. By a separate letter at the dockets for the restructuring proceedings of Met-Ed and Penelec, we are establishing July 31, 1998 as the date by which parties may file comments to those compliance filings. To facilitate the Commission's review, we urge parties to submit comments as early as possible, and we direct that one copy of comments, in addition to the normal filings with our Secretary's Bureau, be delivered to our Bureau of Fixed Utility Services in Room 200 of the North Office Building in Harrisburg.

Very truly yours,

James J. McNulty

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