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Re: Duquesne Light Company - General Base Rate Increase
Docket No. R-2013-2372129

Dear Secretary Chiavetta:

Duquesne Light Company ("Duquesne Light" or the "Company") hereby files Supplement No. 81 to the Company's Tariff Electric - Pa. P.U.C. No. 24. In Supplement No. 81, the Company is proposing a general increase in electric distribution rates of approximately \$76.3 million. Supplement No. 81 is appended to the Direct Testimony of William V. Pfrommer (DLC Exhibit 5, Duquesne Light St. No. 12) as Exhibit No. WVP-1. Duquesne Light is also attaching a copy of Supplement No. 81 to this letter for the convenience of the Pennsylvania Public Utility Commission ("Commission"). Supplement No. 81 contains an issue date of August 2, 2013 and an effective date of October 1, 2013.

A summary of the reasons for the rate increase is provided in the Statement of Reasons contained in DLC Exhibit 2. Supporting data for the Supplement and requested revenue increase, including data requested by 52 Pa. Code §§ 53.52 - 53.53, is contained within the filing. The Company is also providing an electronic copy of the filing on CD.

The data in support of the proposed distribution rate increase is based upon a fully projected future test year ending April 30, 2015, as adjusted for ratemaking purposes. On July 10, 2013, Duquesne Light requested the Commission's permission to depart from the requirements of 52 Pa. Code § 53.52(b)(2) concerning the time period between the historic test year ended March 31, 2013 and the date on which a proposed increase in distribution rates is filed so that Duquesne Light would be permitted to submit this base rate filing on, or before, August 28, 2013. By letter dated July 11, 2013, the Commission granted the Company's request.

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If the Company's entire request is approved, the total bill for an average residential default service customer using 600 kilowatt-hours per month would increase from \$77.77 to \$86.00 or 10.58%. The total bill for an average commercial default service customer using 10,000 kilowatt-hours per month would increase from \$853.07 to \$900.39 or 5.55%. The total bill for an average industrial default service customer using 200,000 kilowatt-hours per month would increase from \$16,179.63 to \$16,680.30 or 3.09%. These proposed increases and percentages represent total Duquesne Light rates, which include rates for distribution, transmission and default service generation based upon current rates in effect as of July 1, 2013.

Duquesne Light hereby advises the Commission that it has elected to use the alternative method of customer notification set forth in Section 53.45(b)(4) of the Commission's regulations, 52 Pa. Code § 53.45(b)(4).

Duquesne Light will notify its customers of the proposed rate increase through bill inserts along with press releases to local newspapers, radio and TV and paid newspaper advertisements in major local newspapers. Duquesne Light also agrees to extend from 60 to 90 days the minimum period within which the filing of a complaint places the burden of proof upon the Company with respect to proposed rates, pursuant to 52 Pa. Code § 53.45(b)(4)(vi).

Duquesne Light will be represented by the following counsel in this proceeding:

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Duquesne Light's attorneys are authorized to accept service on behalf of the Company in this proceeding. Duquesne Light request that the Commission and all parties serve copies of all documents in this proceeding on its attorneys.

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**REQUEST FOR CONFIDENTIAL TREATMENT
OF PROPRIETARY INFORMATION**

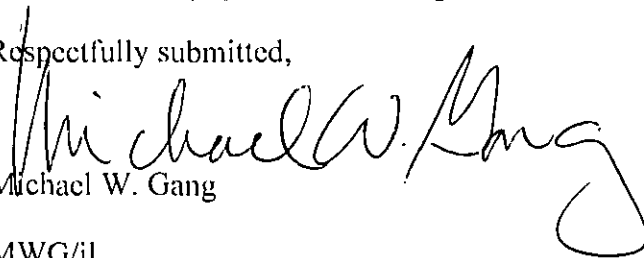
Certain attachments to DFR-I-B-3 and DFR-III-F-1 contained in DLC Exhibit No. 1 contain information that Duquesne Light considers to be proprietary and confidential. These pages have been marked **Highly Confidential** and are enclosed in separate envelopes.

Duquesne Light requests that the copies of the materials that have been marked **Highly Confidential** that are contained in the envelopes marked **Highly Confidential** be given confidential treatment by the Commission, including its various offices and bureaus. That is, Duquesne requests that the **Highly Confidential** materials be excluded from the Commission's public document folder and that **Highly Confidential** copies not be disclosed to the public.

As indicated on the attached Certificate of Service, the Company has served copies of this filing on the Commission's Bureau of Investigation and Enforcement, the Office of Consumer Advocate, the Office of Small Business Advocate and all active parties in the Company's last base rate proceeding at Docket No. R-2010-2179522.

Please direct any questions with regard to this filing to the undersigned.

Respectfully submitted,



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Enclosures

cc: Certificate of Service

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I hereby certify that true and correct copies of the foregoing have been served upon the following persons, in the manner indicated, in accordance with the requirements of § 1.54 (relating to service by a participant).

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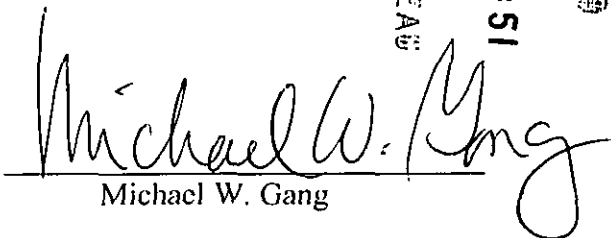
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