

PENNSYLVANIA PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION  
Uniform Cover and Calendar Sheet

1. <b>REPORT DATE:</b> July 16, 2007	2. <b>BUREAU AGENDA NO.</b> JUL-2007-FUS-1034*
3. <b>BUREAU:</b> Fixed Utility Services	
4. <b>SECTION(S):</b> Energy	5. <b>PUBLIC MEETING DATE:</b> July 25, 2007
6. <b>APPROVED BY:</b>  Director: Mgr/Spvr: Diskin <i>PO</i> 214-5558 Legal Review: <i>RJ</i>	DOCUMENT FOLDER
7. <b>PERSONS IN CHARGE:</b> Okoro 2-0613	9. <b>EFFECTIVE DATE OF FILING:</b> N/A
8. <b>DOCKET NO.:</b> A-110500F0392	DOCKETED AUG 27 2007

10. (a) **CAPTION (abbreviate if more than 4 lines)**  
 (b) **Short summary of history & facts, documents & briefs**  
 (c) **Recommendation**

- (a) Letter of Notification of PPL Electric Utilities Corporation (PPL Electric) filed pursuant to 52 Pa. Code Chapter 57 Subchapter G, with respect to the Amcor PET Packaging USA 138/69kV Tap and Line in Upper Macungie Township, Lehigh County, PA.
- (b) On June 11, 2007, PPL Electric filed the above-captioned Letter of Notification. Authority for this procedure is provided for at §57.72(d) (1). No protests were filed and no hearings were held.
- (c) The Bureau of Fixed Utility Services recommends that the Commission adopt the proposed Order.

*RJP*

11. **MOTION BY:** Commissioner Chm. Holland  
**SECONDED:** Commissioner Cawley  
 Commissioner Fitzpatrick - Yes  
 Commissioner Christy - Yes  
 Commissioner Pizzigrilli - Yes

**CONTENT OF MOTION:** Staff recommendation adopted.



COMMONWEALTH OF PENNSYLVANIA  
PENNSYLVANIA PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION  
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July 31, 2007

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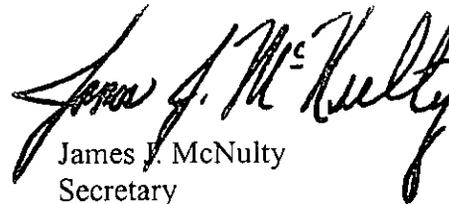
To Whom It May Concern:

This is to advise you that the Commission in Public Meeting on July 25, 2007 adopted an Order in the above entitled proceeding.

An Order has been enclosed for your records.

Very truly yours,

**DOCKETED**  
OCT 18 2007

  
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Secretary

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**PENNSYLVANIA  
PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION  
Harrisburg, PA 17105-3265**

Public Meeting held July 25, 2007

**Commissioners Present:**

Wendell F. Holland, Chairman  
James H. Cawley, Vice Chairman  
Terrance J. Fitzpatrick  
Tyrone J. Christy  
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**ORDER**

**BY THE COMMISSION:**

On June 11, 2007, PPL Electric Utilities Corporation (PPL Electric) filed a Letter of Notification pursuant to 52 Pa. Code §57.72(d) (1) of the Commission's transmission line siting regulation. Section 57.72 authorizes the abbreviated "Letter of Notification" siting application process in lieu of an application for the following:

- i) An HV line which is proposed to be located entirely on an existing transmission line right-of-way, so long as the size, character design, or configuration of the proposed HV line does not substantially alter the right-of-way.

- ii) An HV line which is proposed to be located entirely within a public road.
- iii) An HV line which is proposed to be located entirely within applicant's existing transmission line right-of-way and the property of the sole customer to be served by the line, so long as the size, character, design, or configuration of the proposed HV line does not substantially alter the right-of-way.
- iv) A line for which the voltage is proposed to be increased above its present levels, so long as the size, character, design, or configuration of the proposed HV line does not substantially alter the right-of-way.
- v) An HV line having a proposed route of 2 miles or less.

Copies of the Letter of Notification were served in accordance with Section 57.72(d) (3), on the PA Department of Transportation, PA Historical and Museum Commission, PA Department of Environmental Protection, Lehigh Valley Planning Commission, Upper Macungie Township Board of Supervisors, Upper Macungie Township Manager, Lehigh County, Upper Macungie Township Planning Commission and other interested parties. No protests were filed. No hearings were held.

PPL Electric seeks Commission's approval to modify the existing Wescosville-Trexlerstown #3 & #4 138/69 kV Transmission Line in Upper Macungie Township, Lehigh County. PPL Electric will install a single circuit 138/69 kV transmission line by constructing a double tap from its existing Wescosville-Trexlerstown #3 & #4 138/69 kV Lines and 220 feet of 138 kV transmission line to supply a new 69-12 kV substation being constructed by Amcor PET Packaging USA (Amcor).

PPL Electric states that the proposed 138/69 kV tap from Wescosville-Trexlerstown #3 & #4 138/69 kV Lines and the proposed 138/69 kV transmission line to

the Amcor substation will serve solely Amcor. Supplying Amcor at 69 kV will provide capacity for future expansion of the plant and reduce energy losses on the PPL Electric system. Amcor will construct, own, and pay for the proposed substation. PPL Electric will construct and own the tap from the Wescosville-Trexlerstown #3 & #4 138/69 kV Lines and the proposed 138/69 kV transmission line to the Amcor substation. Amcor, however, will bear the cost of the tap from the Wescosville-Trexlerstown #3 & #4 138/69 kV Lines and the proposed 138/69 kV transmission line.

PPL Electric states that the land over which the proposed transmission line will be constructed is owned by Walsh Higgins No. 34, L. P., which is headquartered in Chicago, Illinois. Walsh Higgins has agreed to convey to PPL Electric a right-of-way that is sufficient and appropriate for the project.

PPL Electric states that the proposed transmission line will be approximately 220 feet in length and will consist of three spans, each of which will be approximately 75 feet in length. The last span will be the terminal span into the proposed Amcor substation. The high tap structure will be approximately 95 feet in height, and the low tap structure will be approximate 45 feet in height. The other four poles, including two load sectionalizing air break switches, will be approximately 75 feet in height. The transmission line will consist of three 556.5 KCMIL, 24/7 strand, ACSR power conductors. One overhead ground wire will be installed.

PPL Electric states that the total estimated cost for the tap from the Wescosville-Trexlerstown #3 & #4 138/69 kV Lines and the proposed 138/69 kV transmission line is \$542,000. The project has a scheduled construction start date of September, 2007, to support the project's in-service date of October, 2007.

PPL Electric states that the project will be designed, constructed, operated,

and maintained in a manner that meets or exceeds the National Electrical Safety Code (NESC) standards, PPL Electric's design criteria and safety practices, and all applicable legal requirements. The proposed project will not create any unreasonable risk of danger to the public health or safety.

PPL Electric states that the proposed project will have no additional land use impacts due to the small size of the project and the entire project will be located on land owned by Walsh Higgins. The proposed transmission line will cross over a railroad spur on the site of Amcor facilities and proper clearance will be maintained. No nearby communication towers, pipelines, or other utilities will be affected by the proposed project. The nearest aviation facilities are the Queen City Municipal Airport, which is about 5.6 miles from the project location and the Lehigh Valley International Airport approximately 9.3 miles from the project location. The project will have no effect on the airports or flight operations.

PPL Electric states that the project has been reviewed with officials from Upper Macungie Township and Lehigh County. Neither of these governmental units objects to the project.

PPL Electric states that the project will not impact any unique geological, scenic, or natural areas. No national natural landmarks, parks, or recreational facilities are located near the project. The proposed transmission line will not cross any wetlands or other aquatic resources. PPL Electric will employ its "Specifications for Soil Erosion and Sedimentation Control on Transmission Line Rights-of-Way" as appropriate.

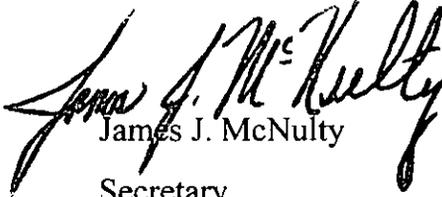
The formal PPL Electric Letter of Notification and manner in which it was filed conforms to the requirements of 52 Pa. Code § 57.72. Moreover, the Commission

has reviewed the filing and does not find it to be inconsistent with the applicable law or Commission policy regarding transmission line siting; **THEREFORE,**

**IT IS ORDERED:**

That the Letter of Notification filed by PPL Electric Utilities Corporation with respect to the modification of the existing Wescosville-Trexlerstown #3 & #4 138/69 kV Transmission Line in Upper Macungie Township, Lehigh County, Pennsylvania, is hereby approved.

**BY THE COMMISSION,**

  
James J. McNulty  
Secretary

(SEAL)

ORDER ADOPTED: July 25, 2007

ORDER ENTERED:

**JUL 31 2007**

**END**