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Re: R-00027870 – Request for waiver of 52 Pa. Code § 54.74 filing requirement

Dear Mr. Murphy:

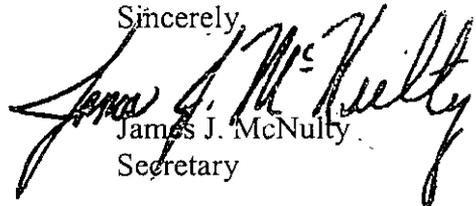
On October 3, 2002, PECO Energy Company (“PECO”) filed a Petition for Expedited Approval of Consensus Modifications to PECO Energy Company’s Universal Service Program and Associated Tariff Changes (“Petition”). At Section III.K, page 17, PECO requests a waiver of 52 Pa. Code § 54.74 filing requirement so that it may “focus its energy on implementing the program changes” in its Petition.

The pertinent regulation at 52 Pa. Code § 54(a)(1) requires PECO to submit a three-year universal service plan for Commission approval on February 28, 2003. Because PECO is *proposing program design changes to its CAP, LIURP, and CARES programs*, PECO will need to reflect those changes in a revised universal service plan. The Commission agrees that PECO will need to focus its attention to effectively implement the changes it proposes.

The regulations at 52 Pa. Code § 54.74 also require PECO to submit a projected needs assessment, projected enrollment levels, and a program budget for each universal service program component.

While we will not approve a complete waiver of the submission of the universal service plan, we will grant an extension of time for submitting the next plan. Therefore, PECO is directed to submit its universal service plan in accordance with 52 Pa. Code § 54.74 no later than October 1, 2003.

Sincerely,



James J. McNulty
Secretary

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