

BEFORE THE
PENNSYLVANIA PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION

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Application of **PROTESTANT** : Docket No.
Eric Wright **FOLDER** : A-00113409

PREHEARING ORDER

On March 17, 1997, I was assigned to preside over this case. The purpose of this order is to bring to the attention of the parties certain procedural rules which apply to the participants in this proceeding. This case is scheduled to be heard in the Philadelphia State Office Building on Tuesday, April 29, 1997 at 10:00 a.m.

The parties are reminded of the availability of this Commission's rules on discovery, found in Subchapter D, Chapter 52 Pa. Code, for learning the facts underlying each party's position on the pending application.

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In order to expedite the conduct of the hearing, on or before April 15, 1997, counsel for the Applicant and the Protestants are directed to confer in person or by telephone to exchange the names, addresses and telephone numbers of all witnesses they intend to call during the hearing. In the course of conferring, they shall informally request copies of any documents deemed relevant so that any such document(s) may be reviewed prior to rather than during the hearing. In the event objections are raised, I will be available during normal working hours and on reasonable notice to confer by telephone conference call to resolve any differences that may arise.

Counsel for the Applicant is directed to provide counsel for the Protestants with copies of all exhibits to be presented on behalf of Applicant's direct case on or before April 21, 1997. Counsel for the Protestant is directed to provide copies of the exhibits for the Protestant's direct case prior to the start of the hearing on April 29, 1997.

Pursuant to 52 Pa. Code §1.15(b), requests for postponement or continuance of hearings must be submitted in writing no later than five (5) days prior to the hearing. Requests for postponement or continuance of initial hearings are to be sent to the Acting Chief Administrative Law Judge Robert A. Christianson with copies to the presiding officer and parties of record.

Finally, all parties are reminded that each party wishing to offer an exhibit is required to provide two copies to the court reporter, one copy to the presiding officer and one copy to each of party of record. 52 Pa. Code §5.409.

ORDER

THEREFORE,

IT IS ORDERED:

The parties shall comply with the procedural rules and regulations discussed herein.

Date: April 7, 1997

Cynthia Williams Fordham
CYNTHIA WILLIAMS FORDHAM
Administrative Law Judge