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VIA eFILING

Rosemary Chiavetta, Secretary Pennsylvania Public Utility Commission Commonwealth Keystone Building 400 North Street Harrisburg, PA 17105-3265

Re:

Petition of Pennsylvania Electric Company for Approval To Establish and Implement A Distribution System Improvement Charge

Docket No. P-2015-2508936

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Dear Secretary Chiavetta:

Enclosed for filing is the **Answer of Pennsylvania Electric Company to the Motion for Leave to Amend the Answer of the Penelec Industrial Customer Alliance** (the "Answer") in the above-captioned matter.

As evidenced by the enclosed Certificate of Service, copies of the Answer have been served on all parties to this proceeding.

Very truly yours,

Anthony C. DeCusatis

ACD/tp Enclosures

c: Per Certificate of Service (w/encls.)

BEFORE THE PENNSYLVANIA PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION

PETITION OF PENNSYLVANIA

ELECTRIC COMPANY FOR

APPROVAL TO ESTABLISH AND: Docket No. P-2015-2508936

IMPLEMENT A DISTRIBUTION :

SYSTEM IMPROVEMENT CHARGE:

PENNSYLVANIA ELECTRIC COMPANY'S ANSWER TO THE MOTION FOR LEAVE TO AMEND THE ANSWER OF THE PENELEC INDUSTRIAL CUSTOMER ALLIANCE

NOW COMES the Respondent, Pennsylvania Electric Company ("Penelec" or the "Company"), pursuant to 52 Pa. Code § 5.103(c), and submits this Answer to the Motion for Leave to Amend the Answer of the Penelec Industrial Customer Alliance ("PICA"), as follows:

On March 7, 2016, PICA filed, as a single document, a Petition to Intervene and Answer to the above-captioned Petition of Penelec ("DSIC Petition"). On March 24, 2016, Penelec filed an Answer to PICA's Petition to Intervene and a Reply to New Matter in Paragraph Nos. 11, 12 and 13 of PICA's Answer, which appear under the subheading "Argument."

On April 19, 2016, PICA filed its Motion for Leave to Amend the Answer to the DSIC Petition it filed on March 7, 2016 and offered its proposed Amended Answer for acceptance by the Commission. The Amended Answer offered by PICA in large part expands on the "Argument" portion of its original Answer as set forth in Paragraph Nos. 11 and 12.

Penelec would not oppose PICA's Motion on the condition that, if the Motion is granted and the Commission accepts PICA's Answer, Penelec will have the right, pursuant to 52 Pa.

Code §§ 5.62 and 5.63, to file a Reply to the additional New Matter set forth in the Amended Answer if Penelec determines that such a Reply might be needed.

Penelec's answers to the numbered paragraphs of PICA's Motion are set forth below.

The regulations of the Pennsylvania Public Utility Commission ("PUC" or the "Commission") at 52 Pa. Code §§ 5.62 and 5.63 provide the authority to Reply to New Matter in an Answer.

- 1. Admitted.
- 2. Admitted.
- 3. Admitted.
- 4. The principal averments of Paragraph No. 4 constitute a prayer for relief to which an answer is not required.
- 5. The principal averments of Paragraph No. 5 consist of legal argument, citations to law or regulations that speak for themselves and/or requests for relief to which an answer is not required.
- 6. The principal averments of Paragraph No. 6 consist of legal argument, citations to law or regulations that speak for themselves and/or requests for relief to which an answer is not required.
- 7. The principal averments of Paragraph No. 7 consist of legal argument, citations to law or regulations that speak for themselves and/or requests for relief to which an answer is not required. It is admitted that this case has not been assigned to the Office of Administrative Law Judge and no hearing has been scheduled.
- 8. The principal averments of Paragraph No. 8 consist of legal argument, citations to law or regulations that speak for themselves and/or requests for relief to which an answer is not required.
- 9. The principal averments of Paragraph No. 9 consist of legal argument, citations to law or regulations that speak for themselves and/or requests for relief to which an answer is not required.
- 10. The principal averments of Paragraph No. 10 consist of legal argument, citations to law or regulations that speak for themselves and/or requests for relief to which an answer is not required.

- 11. The principal averments of Paragraph No. 11 consist of legal argument, citations to law or regulations that speak for themselves and/or requests for relief to which an answer is not required.
- 12. It is denied that the amendments proposed by PICA constitute "probative facts" that "are necessary for the Commission to resolve the Company's Petition." It is admitted that PICA is proposing to amend its Answer "at an early stage of the proceeding." The Company does not assert that the proposed amendment would prejudice it at this stage of the proceeding.
- 13. The principal averments of Paragraph No. 13 consist of legal argument, citations to law or regulations that speak for themselves and/or requests for relief to which an answer is not required.
 - 14. Paragraph No. 14 is a prayer for relief to which an answer is not required.

WHEREFORE, Penelec would not oppose PICA's Motion to Amend its Answer on the condition that, if the Motion is granted and the Commission accepts PICA's Answer, Penelec

will have the right, pursuant to 52 Pa. Code §§ 5.62 and 5.63, to file a Reply to the additional New Matter set forth in the Amended Answer if Penelec determines that such a Reply might be needed.

Respectfully submitted,

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BEFORE THE PENNSYLVANIA PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION

PETITION OF METROPOLITAN : Docket No. P-2015-2508942

EDISON COMPANY FOR APPROVAL :

TO ESTABLISH AND IMPLEMENT A

DISTRIBUTION SYSTEM :

IMPROVEMENT CHARGE :

PETITION OF PENNSYLVANIA : Docket No. P-2015-2508936

ELECTRIC COMPANY FOR

APPROVAL TO ESTABLISH AND

IMPLEMENT A DISTRIBUTION :

SYSTEM IMPROVEMENT CHARGE

PETITION OF PENNSYLVANIA : Docket No. P-2015-2508931

POWER COMPANY FOR APPROVAL

TO ESTABLISH AND IMPLEMENT A :

DISTRIBUTION SYSTEM :

IMPROVEMENT CHARGE

PETITION OF WEST PENN POWER : Docket No. P-2015-2508948

COMPANY FOR APPROVAL TO :

ESTABLISH AND IMPLEMENT A :

DISTRIBUTION SYSTEM :

IMPROVEMENT CHARGE :

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify and affirm that I have this day served a copies of the Answers of

Metropolitan Edison Company, Pennsylvania Electric Company, Pennsylvania Power

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the Met-Ed Industrial Users Group, the Penelec Industrial Customer Alliance, the Penn

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