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October 20, 2016

### VIA e-FILING

Rosemary Chiavetta, Secretary Pennsylvania Public Utility Commission Commonwealth Keystone Building 400 North Street, 2nd Floor Harrisburg, PA 17105-3265

Re: Petitions of Metropolitan Edison Company, Pennsylvania Electric Company, Pennsylvania Power Company and West Penn Power Company for Approval of A Distribution System Improvement Charge, Docket Nos. P-2015-2508942, et al Office of Consumer Advocate v. Metropolitan Edison Company, et al, Docket Nos. C-2016-2531040, et al.

Dear Secretary Chiavetta:

Enclosed for filing is the **Certificate of Service**, evidencing service of the Second Formal Status Report on Settlement Discussions in the above-referenced matters. A copy has been served on Administrative Law Judge Joel H. Cheskis and the parties / intervenors of record in accordance with the attached Certificate of Service.

Very truly yours,

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**Enclosures** 

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

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### **VIA ELECTRONIC AND FIRST CLASS MAIL**

The Honorable Joel H. Cheskis Administrative Law Judge Pennsylvania Public Utility Commission 400 North Street Harrisburg, PA 17105-3265

Re: Petitions of Metropolitan Edison Company, Pennsylvania Electric Company, Pennsylvania Power Company and West Penn Power Company for Approval of A Distribution System Improvement Charge, Docket Nos. P-2015-2508942, et al
Office of Consumer Advocate v. Metropolitan Edison Company, et al
Docket Nos. C-2016-2531040, et al.

Dear Judge Cheskis:

Enclosed please find the **Second Formal Status Report on Settlement Discussions** for filing in the above-captioned matters. A copy has been served on the parties / intervenors of record in accordance with the attached Certificate of Service.

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## BEFORE THE PENNSYLVANIA PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION

Petition of Metropolitan Edison Company for

Approval of a Distribution System Improvement P-2015-2508942

Charge

Office of Consumer Advocate

C-2016-2531040

v.

v.

Metropolitan Edison Company

Petition of West Penn Power Company for

Approval of a Distribution System Improvement P-2015-2508948

Charge

Office of Consumer Advocate

C-2016-2531019 v.

West Penn Power Company

Petition of Pennsylvania Electric Company for

Approval of a Distribution System Improvement P-2015-2508936

Charge

Office of Consumer Advocate

C-2016-2531060

Pennsylvania Electric Company

Petition of Pennsylvania Power Company for

Approval of a Distribution System Improvement P-2015-2508931

Charge

Office of Consumer Advocate

C-2016-2531054 v.

Pennsylvania Power Company

## SECOND FORMAL STATUS REPORT ON SETTLEMENT DISCUSSIONS

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Pursuant to the Scheduling Order issued on August 12, 2016 in the above captioned consolidated proceedings, Metropolitan Edison Company ("Met-Ed"), Pennsylvania Electric Company ("Penelec"), Pennsylvania Power Company ("Penn Power") and West Penn Power Company ("West Penn") (collectively, the "Companies") submit, on behalf of the parties to this case, this second formal status report with respect to the discussions that have been conducted to attempt to achieve a settlement of all, or substantially all, of the issues that have been referred to the Office of Administrative Law Judge ("OALJ") in the Orders entered June 9, 2016 in the above-referenced dockets (the "Referred Issues").

In the First Status Report, filed on September 19, 2016, the Companies reported, on behalf of the parties, that discussions had been initiated and that the parties anticipated holding additional negotiations focused on the Referred Issues during the following week to try to achieve a possible resolution. On September 27, 2016, a settlement conference was held in Harrisburg. Immediately following the conclusion of that meeting, the Companies, on behalf of the parties that attended the meeting, provided an interim status report, via e-mail, to Administrative Law Judge Joel H. Cheskis reporting, as follows:

The parties have concluded a very productive in-person meeting in Harrisburg that has materially narrowed the issues and provided several paths forward that we are actively pursuing on the remaining sub-issues. We will be convening either in person or telephonically again shortly to continue working to resolve what remains outstanding. Accordingly, we do not see the need to schedule a second prehearing conference at this time. We will, of course, continue to provide status updates, and we anticipate that there will be additional progress to report next week. Thank you for your patience.

Since the September 27, 2016, settlement meeting, the Companies have prepared and circulated to the parties a written summary of the matters discussed at the September 27 meeting

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to focus the parties' attention on the matters where a consensus still needs to be achieved. It is the Companies' understanding that the other parties have been actively engaged in reviewing and analyzing the written summary. Active, on-going communications have been taking place to develop facts and clarify positions, and the parties are working cooperatively to schedule a meeting or conference this week, based on availability, to continue to work through, and hopefully resolve, the remaining issues. Accordingly, the parties do not see the need to schedule a second prehearing conference at this time.

Respectfully submitted,

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# BEFORE THE PENNSYLVANIA PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION

PETITIONS OF METROPOLITAN : Docket Nos. P-2015-2508942, et al

EDISON COMPANY, PENNSYLVANIA : ELECTRIC COMPANY, PENNSYLANIA : POWER COMPANY AND WEST PENN :

POWER COMPANY FOR APPROVAL : OF A DISTRIBUTION SYSTEM :

IMPROVEMENT CHARGE

OFFICE OF CONSUMER ADVOCATE : Docket Nos. C-2016-2531040, et al

METROPOLITAN EDISON COMPANY, ET AL

v.

**CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE** 

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I hereby certify and affirm that I have this day served a copy of the **Second Formal Status Report of Settlement Discussions** on the following persons in the matter specified in accordance with the requirements of 52 Pa. Code § 1.54:

### VIA ELECTRONIC AND FIRST CLASS MAIL

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