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Angela Gerace vs. PECO Energy Company
Requests payment arrangements.
Initial hearing. Call of the Docket.

Docket No. Z-01646034

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Met, pursuant to notice, at 3:25 p.m.

BEFORE:

Allison K. Turner, Administrative Law Judge

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1 P R O C E E D I N G S

2 ADMINISTRATIVE LAW JUDGE ALLISON K. TURNER:

3 At this point we have one other case that was listed for the
4 call of the docket. Tamara Staton settled. Wanda Costello had
5 previously settled?

6 MS. HOPPER: That's correct.

7 JUDGE TURNER: We just heard Mr. Abram Jordan's
8 case. And if Angela Gerace were here, we would call her case.
9 However, she's not here. So it's really up to PECO'S discretion
10 how they want to proceed faced with her failure to prosecute.

11 MS. HOPPER: I would like to move to dismiss for
12 Ms. Gerace's failure to appear and pursue her complaint. But we
13 have Mr. Costello, who can put some basic account information
14 into the record.

15 JUDGE TURNER: Sounds fine to me. Mr. Costello,
16 would you take the witness desk.

17 ANTHONY COSTELLO,
18 having been duly sworn, testified as follows:

19 JUDGE TURNER: Please proceed.

20 DIRECT EXAMINATION

21 BY MS. HOPPER:

22 Q. Mr. Costello, would you state and spell your name for the
23 record?

24 A. Anthony Costello, C-O-S-T-E-L-L-O.

25 Q. By whom are you employed?

1 A. PECO Energy Company.

2 Q. Your business address?

3 A. PECO Energy Company, 2301 Market Street, Philadelphia, PA
4 19103, Suite S15-1.

5 Q. What is your position with PECO?

6 A. Regulatory assessor.

7 Q. How long have you been a regulatory assessor?

8 A. Five years.

9 Q. How long have you been employed with PECO?

10 A. For 17 and a half years.

11 Q. Could you describe your duties as a regulatory assessor?

12 A. To review customer complaints as filed with the Public
13 Utility Commission at both the formal and informal level, for
14 accurate and timely response, as well as to appear at formal
15 hearings as a custodian of records.

16 Q. In the course of your employment and with your duties as
17 a regulatory assessor have you had the opportunity to review and
18 become familiar with the account of Angela Gerace?

19 A. Yes.

20 MS. HOPPER: At this time I would like to hand up
21 to Your Honor, and copies to the court reporter, documents that
22 have been previously marked PECO Exhibits One and Two. PECO One
23 is an Account Statement. PECO Exhibit Two is another document.

24 JUDGE TURNER: They may be so marked.

25 MS. HOPPER: Thank you.

1 (Whereupon, the documents were marked as PECO
2 Exhibits 1 and 2 for identification.)

3 MS. HOPPER: Thank you.

4 BY MS. HOPPER:

5 Q. Mr. Costello, I would like to call your attention to
6 PECO Exhibit One, and ask if you can identify and describe this
7 document please?

8 A. PECO Exhibit One is a one-page document for the account
9 of Angela Gerace at 2129 East Sanger Street, Philadelphia, PA
10 19124. PECO Account Number 270349297035, and it contains all
11 the bills that were rendered in Ms. Gerace's name at this
12 address, beginning February fourth, 2004 to the most recent, an
13 actual final bill rendered for August fifth, 2004.

14 Q. What is the balance that is due on this account?

15 A. \$1,036.58.

16 Q. When Ms. Gerace was a customer of PECO Energy at this
17 address, what type of service was she receiving?

18 A. Residential CAP rate.

19 Q. What was her CAP rate discount?

20 A. She was a 50 percent discount on the first 500 kilowatt
21 hours used each month.

22 Q. What was her budget amount?

23 A. On this particular case she didn't really have a budget,
24 as she had transferred a previous balance over from another
25 address and had almost immediately filed her informal complaint.

1 She had not started on a budget yet. And based on the limited
2 period of time, and based on the fact that it was a final bill
3 there would be no budget calculated, only there for six months.

4 Q. Did she have an average bill amount?

5 A. It would have been around, I'm not sure, about \$45.

6 Q. Can you please summarize the payments made on this
7 account?

8 A. There was one payment made February 23, 2004 for \$13.80.

9 Q. How much was transferred in from the previous account?

10 A. \$524.60.

11 Q. Could you direct our attention to where that would be on
12 the exhibit?

13 A. On the second row under the column PECO bill amount slash
14 budget plus agreement. What it shows a bill for that month was
15 \$26.16 for consumption. Then the figure right below it 524.60.
16 That's the former address balance that was transferred in. Over
17 in the comments column will give PECO account number that it was
18 transferred from.

19 Q. I will call your attention to PECO Exhibit Two, and ask
20 if you could explain the exhibit please?

21 A. PECO Exhibit Two is also a one-page document. This is a
22 representation of the decision as issued by Bureau of Consumer
23 Services with the informal complaint. What it was requesting,
24 was that Ms. Gerace pay \$585 by June 11th, 2004, and then she
25 can start a budget of \$21 a month.

1 Q. Has Ms. Gerace complied with the BCS informal decision?

2 A. No.

3 Q. Could you please state PECO's position with respect to
4 this account?

5 A. With respect to this account, because it's a final
6 bill and she's no longer a rate payer of record within PECO's
7 territory PECO would be requesting a full balance of \$1,036.58
8 to be received within two weeks.

9 MS. HOPPER: I have no further questions,
10 Your Honor.

11 JUDGE TURNER: Within two weeks of what,
12 Mr. Costello?

13 THE WITNESS: Today. Final bill would have been
14 due August 30th of 2004.

15 JUDGE TURNER: Normally in our decisions we
16 ask a person to pay within so many days of the date of the
17 Commission's final order. Are you aware of that?

18 THE WITNESS: I am.

19 JUDGE TURNER: But you still want it within two
20 weeks of today?

21 THE WITNESS: That would be our position. If it's
22 decided otherwise, we would comply.

23 JUDGE TURNER: Okay. Did she give you a
24 forwarding address?

25 THE WITNESS: She did.

1 JUDGE TURNER: I want to make sure we have it in
2 order to serve her. I have 2129 East Sanger Street.

3 THE WITNESS: Service address. I believe the
4 forwarding mailing address is 3881 Alberta, which is also in
5 Philadelphia, 19154.

6 JUDGE TURNER: 3881?

7 THE WITNESS: Alberta Drive, Philadelphia, ZIP
8 code 19154.

9 JUDGE TURNER: Did you serve a final bill on that
10 address?

11 THE WITNESS: I believe we did, yes.

12 JUDGE TURNER: You got no response?

13 THE WITNESS: Correct.

14 JUDGE TURNER: Thank you. Any redirect?

15 MS. HOPPER: No redirect. I would ask that
16 Exhibits One and Two be admitted into the record

17 JUDGE TURNER: They will be so admitted.

18 (Whereupon, the documents marked as PECO Exhibits
19 One and Two were received in evidence.)

20 (Whereupon, at 3:30 p.m. the hearing was
21 adjourned.)

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ACCOUNT STATEMENT

Prepared by: A J Costello

CUSTOMER NAME: Angela Gerace

DOCKET NUMBER: Z-01646034

ADDRESS: 2129 E Sanger St.
Philadelphia, PA, 19124

RATE: Residential Electric CAP Rate

ACCOUNT NUMBER: 27-03-49-297035

Page 1

Bill Period	Days	Meter Reading - Type	Usage	Daily Avg Use	PECO Bill Amt / Budget + Agmt	Supp Chg.	Sales Tax	Amount Reqstd	Due Date	Late Chg.	Payment	Date Pymt Rec'd	Balance	Comments
02/04/04	4	99973 - IA 10029 - A	56	14.0	7.80		13.80	03/01/04					*13.80	*includes \$6.00 Transfer Fee
03/03/04	28	10363 - A	334	11.9	26.16 *524.60		557.32	03/29/04	6.56	13.80	02/23/04		557.32	*Fa Balance 27-07-70-499415 BM 03 BM 04
04/05/04	33	10751 - A	388	11.7	29.55		593.75	04/28/04	6.88				593.75	
05/05/04	30	11070 - A	319	10.6	25.22		618.97	06/01/04					618.97	
06/03/04	29	11716 - A	646	22.2	55.55 /21.00		639.97	06/28/04					674.52	
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07/06/04	33	1398 - A	1533	46.4	170.72 /21.00		660.97	07/29/04					845.24	BM 52
08/04/04	29	3088 - A	1690	58.2	191.11		1,036.35	08/30/04					1,036.35	
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12-13-04
199 Philadelphia
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Reading Type Codes: A - Actual E - Estimated C - Customer R - Remote / Actual

Date: 12/6/04

PA. Public Utility Commission
Bureau Of Consumer Services
Inbound Closing Report

Case Number: 1646034
Customer Name: ANGELA GERACE
Address: 2129 E SANGER ST
PHILADELPHIA PA 19124-1620

Opened On: 4/22/04
Utility Type: Electric Distributor
Account Number: 270349297035
Company Name: PECO Energy

Prior Case: Total Balance: \$593.75 Balance Date: 4/23/04

Compliance Violation(Alleged, Actual, No): NO Chap 58/64/Other: Section/Rule:

Decision Issued: Y Oral Written: W
Investigator: GALACCI, THEODORE PUC Decision Issued Dt: 5/18/04 PUC Case Closed Dt: 5/18/04

Decision Recvd Dt: 5/18/04 12:25PM

Letter Description: CAP FULL CATCH-UP

To Restore Service Pay: \$0.00 To Continue Service Pay: \$585.00 By: 6/11/04
Terms: 6/30/2004 (JUNE DUE DATE EXTENDED)
Special Budget Amount: \$21.00 Regular Budget Amount: \$0.00 Plus Arrears Payment: \$0.00
Final Bill Monthly Payment: \$0.00 Current Bill Monthly Payment: \$0.00
End Of Month Payment: \$0.00

Par Description:

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Resolution:

WAIVE LPCS. PAY 585(564 CAPRATE CATCHUP+21 MAY CAPRATE) BY 6/11/2004 THEN PAY 21 CAPRATE BY 6/30/04 (JUNE DUE DATE EXT)

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