

BEFORE THE
PENNSYLVANIA PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION

Jacqueline Marie Crabb

v.

PECO Energy Company

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C-20055727

Jacqueline Marie Crabb

v.

Aqua Pennsylvania, Inc.

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v.

Verizon Pennsylvania, Inc.

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PREHEARING ORDER

By Order dated March 9, 2006, the above docketed proceedings were consolidated for hearing.

Accordingly, an Initial Hearing in these cases has been scheduled to be held on Thursday, May 18, 2006 at 10:00 a.m. in an available hearing room I on the 13th floor of the Philadelphia State Office Building, Broad and Spring Garden Streets, Philadelphia, PA 19130.

The parties are hereby directed to comply with the following requirements:

1. A request for a continuance of the scheduled hearing date must state the agreement or opposition of other parties, and must be submitted in writing no later than five (5)

business days prior to the hearing. 52 Pa.Code §1.15(b). Requests for a change of hearing date must be sent to me and all parties of record. The correct address is:

1302 Philadelphia State Office Building
1400 West Spring Garden Street
Philadelphia, PA 19130
Telephone: (215) 560-2105
Fax: (215) 560-3133

Changes are granted only in rare situations where good cause exists.

2. **Commission policy promotes settlements.** 52 Pa.Code §5.231(a). Each of the involved utilities are directed to contact the Complainant at least one week before the scheduled hearing to discuss a possible settlement of their respective cases. Even if the case is unable to be settled, many questions or issues may be resolved during your talks. If an agreement is reached, a formal hearing in your particular case will not be necessary.

3. If you intend to present any documents for my consideration, you must bring four (4) copies to the hearing.

4. This hearing is a formal proceeding and will be conducted in accordance with the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure.

5. Pursuant to 52 Pa.Code §§1.21 & 1.22, you may represent yourself, if you are an individual, or you may have an attorney licensed to practice law in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, or admitted *Pro Hac Vice*, represent you. However, if you are a partnership, corporation, trust, association, or governmental agency or subdivision, you must have an attorney licensed to practice law in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, or admitted *Pro Hac Vice*, represent you in this proceeding. Unless you are an attorney, you may not represent someone else. Attorneys shall insure that their appearance is entered in accordance with the provisions of 52 Pa.Code §1.24(b).

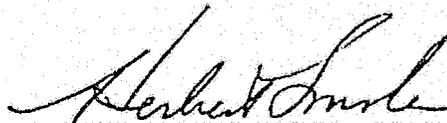
6. If you intend to subpoena witnesses for the hearing, you should review the procedures established in 52 Pa.Code §5.421. You must submit your written application to me sufficiently in advance of the hearing date so that the other parties will have the required ten (10) days' notice to answer or object, and so that you will have enough time to receive the subpoena and serve it.

7. The Complainant is responsible for payment of each utility's current undisputed bills for service pending the resolution of these Complaints. 52 Pa. Code §56.181. Failure to make payments may result in the termination of utility service.

8. THE COMPLAINTS WILL BE DISMISSED IF THE CUSTOMER FAILS TO PARTICIPATE IN THE HEARING AND PRESENT EVIDENCE IN SUPPORT OF THE COMPLAINT.

9. The Complainant bears the burden of proof and must demonstrate by a preponderance of the evidence that he/she is entitled to the relief requested in the Complaint.

Date: April 4, 2006



Herbert Smolen
Administrative Law Judge