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 Billing Dispute. : : Docket No.
 : : C-20077268
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Hearing Room 1301
State Office Building
Broad and Spring Garden Streets
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania

Tuesday, April 24, 2007

Met, pursuant to notice, at 9:57 a.m.

BEFORE:

CHARLES E. RAINEY, Jr., Administrative Law Judge

APPEARANCES:

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(Pro Se)

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PROCEEDINGS

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2 ADMINISTRATIVE LAW JUDGE CHARLES E. RAINEY: Good
3 morning. My name is Charles E. Rainey and I am the Administrative Law
4 Judge who has been assigned to this case, and this is the matter of Phyllis
5 Walton versus Philadelphia Gas Works at Docket C-20077268.

6 I note the appearance of Laureto Farinas, Esquire, on behalf of
7 Philadelphia Gas Works and the none appearance of the Complainant in
8 this case.

9 A hearing notice was issued on February 26, 2007, informing the
10 parties, including Ms. Walton, of today's hearing. Ms. Walton did not move
11 for a continuance of the hearing nor did she withdraw her complaint in this
12 case and therefore this hearing will proceed without her.

13 Mr. Farinas, how would you like to proceed in this matter?

14 MR. FARINAS: Your Honor, at this time PGW will move for a
15 dismissal of this matter for lack of prosecution.

16 JUDGE RAINEY: Very well, Mr. Farinas. I will take your motion
17 under advisement and is there anything else that we need to take up with
18 regard to this complaint?

19 MR. FARINAS: I have nothing further, Your Honor.

20 JUDGE RAINEY: Thank you and if there is nothing further, then this
21 hearing is adjourned.

22 MR. FARINAS: Thank you, Your Honor.

23 (Whereupon, at 10:00 a.m., the proceedings were adjourned.)

24 (Whereupon, Complainant arrives in hearing room, and
25 proceedings were reconvened.)

1 not yet concluded. That amount covers gas for the period from October
2 26, 1998 through February 22, 2002. That amount is \$8,238.94, which is
3 not on the table at these proceedings. However, PGW has filed a lien on it
4 pursuant to it's authority or pursuant to the Municipal Lien Act and we
5 anticipate it will be paid out in the bankruptcy matter, however that works
6 out.

7 The remaining \$5,369.64, this is the balance of Ms. Walton's post
8 bankruptcy account and it is also subject to the Municipal Lien Act.
9 Ms. Walton is attempting to refinance her property and she has agreed to
10 pay off this amount in a payment arrangement consisting of \$100.00 a
11 week for -

12 MS. WALTON: One hundred dollars a month.

13 MR. FARINAS: I am sorry. \$100.00 a month for approximately 54
14 months. As she is no longer an active customer at this property, she will
15 not receive a bill and she understands that but we will of course reduce the
16 terms of this agreement in writing and forward it to Ms. Walton.

17 JUDGE RAINEY: Thank you, Mr. Farinas. Ms. Walton, have you
18 heard the terms of the settlement as just stated by Mr. Farinas?

19 MS. WALTON: Yes.

20 JUDGE RAINEY: And are you in agreement with those terms?

21 MS. WALTON: Yes.

22 JUDGE RAINEY: Okay. I am going to ask Mr. Farinas to file a
23 Certificate of Satisfaction within five days from today and Ms. Walton, with
24 the filing of the Certificate of Satisfaction, you will have ten days from the
25 date of that filing in which to file any written objections with the

1 Commission. If you do not file any written objections with the
2 Commission, then this case will proceed to close. Do you have any
3 questions?

4 MS. WALTON: Not at this time.

5 JUDGE RAINEY: Is there anything else that we need to take up this
6 morning, Mr. Farinas?

7 MR. FARINAS: I have nothing further, Your Honor.

8 JUDGE RAINEY: I would like to thank the parties for arriving at an
9 amicable settlement of this case and if there is nothing further, then this
10 hearing is adjourned.

11 MR. FARINAS: Thank you, Your Honor.

12 (Whereupon, at 10:30 a.m., the proceedings were concluded.)
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