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COMMONWEALTH OF PENNSYLVANIA  
PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION

HELEN WENDELL : DOCKET NO. F-02017304  
vs. :  
PHILADELPHIA GAS WORKS :  
Initial Hearing  
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State Office Building  
1400 Spring Garden Street  
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania 19130  
Thursday, April 19, 2007  
Commencing at 11:00 a.m.

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Before: Angela T. Jones, Administrative Law Judge

APPEARANCES:

LAURETO FARINAS, ESQUIRE  
800 Montgomery Ave.  
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania 19122  
  
Helen Wendell  
114 W. Mt. Pleasant Ave  
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania 19119

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2 PROCEEDING

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4 JUDGE JONES: We are on the record.  
5 This is the time and place for the  
6 matter of Helen Wendell versus the  
7 Philadelphia Gas Works at Docket Number  
8 F-02017304. I am Administrative Law  
9 Judge Angela T. Jones appointed by the  
10 Commission to preside over this matter.  
11 I note the appearance of Mr. Laureto  
12 Farinas, Esquire, representing the  
13 Philadelphia Gas Works, and Miss Helen  
14 Lamb Wendell, representing herself.  
15 The parties have been in negotiations  
16 for approximately one hour to try to  
17 reach some type of agreement over this  
18 dispute.

19 Mr. Farinas, has there been an  
20 agreement reached?

21 MR. FARINAS: Your Honor, I'm  
22 pleased to report that Miss Wendell has  
23 graciously agreed to settle this matter  
24 with PGW.

1 JUDGE JONES: Very well. Miss  
2 Wendell, is that accurate?

3 MS. WENDELL: That's absolutely  
4 accurate.

5 JUDGE JONES: Mr. Farinas, do you  
6 wish to provide the terms of the  
7 agreement on the record?

8 MR. FARINAS: Yes. The terms of  
9 the settlement are as follows: The  
10 balance of Miss Wendell's account for  
11 gas usage at 114 West Mount Pleasant  
12 Avenue as of 3-29-2007 was \$1,529.84.  
13 PG will credit the account in the  
14 amount of \$425, leaving a remaining  
15 balance of \$1,104.84. Miss Wendell has  
16 agreed to pay the remaining balance in  
17 three payments beginning with her May  
18 2007 due date. I believe it's her  
19 intention to pay the bill that's due  
20 this month in April as just paying for  
21 the current bill. She will pay the  
22 current bill plus \$368 beginning May  
23 2007.

24 JUDGE JONES: Miss Wendell, you

1 heard Mr. Farinas recitation of the  
2 terms. Do you agree with those terms?

3 MS. WENDELL: I agree.

4 JUDGE JONES: And what he stated is  
5 accurate?

6 MS. WENDELL: It's accurate.

7 MR. FARINAS: Your Honor, just to  
8 save you some time, I have explained to  
9 Miss Wendell and her brother,  
10 Mr. Stewart, that I will be filing a  
11 certificate of satisfaction with the  
12 Commission. The certificate of  
13 satisfaction contains a notification  
14 that she has 10 days to change her  
15 mind. Should she change her mind she  
16 must let the Commission know in  
17 writing. And I will also reduce the  
18 terms of the settlement to writing and  
19 send them directly to her.

20 JUDGE JONES: Miss Wendell, do you  
21 understand what Mr. Farinas just  
22 stated?

23 MS. WENDELL: I understand  
24 completely.

1 JUDGE JONES: It's important that  
2 once you receive the paperwork if you  
3 should disagree with the terms that is  
4 in the paperwork that you let the  
5 Commission know within the ten-day  
6 period. Otherwise the Commission will  
7 document this matter as closed and  
8 settled. So if we do not hear from you  
9 that's what we'll do. Okay. Is there  
10 anything further that the parties wish  
11 to provide to me at this time?

12 MR. FARINAS: I have nothing  
13 further, your Honor.

14 MS. WENDELL: Nothing further.

15 JUDGE JONES: Very well. We are  
16 adjourned. Thank you.

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18 (Witness excused.)

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20 (Whereupon, the hearing concluded  
21 at 11:05 a.m.)

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