

BEFORE THE  
PENNSYLVANIA PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION

Jacqueline Branch

v

Philadelphia Gas Works

Z-01651513

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PREHEARING ORDER

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An Initial Hearing in this case is scheduled for you on Tuesday, March 14, 2006, at 1:30 p.m. in Hearing Room 2 in the Philadelphia State Office Building. Your case is one of several cases that have been scheduled at this time in Hearing Room 2. You must be available in the hearing room when your case is called by the presiding Administrative Law Judge. You should arrive at the Hearing Room no later than 1:15 p.m. and wait in the Hearing Room until the Administrative Law Judge calls your case. Your case might not be the first one to be called and you should be prepared to stay in the hearing room all morning, if necessary. If you are not present and prepared to go forward with your case when it is called, your case will be dismissed by the Administrative Law Judge.

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

1. A request for a change 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 changes of hearing dates must be sent to me and all parties of record. The correct address is:

Administrative Law Judge Angela T. Jones  
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). The utility is directed to contact you at least one week before the scheduled hearing to talk over a possible settlement of this case. Even if you are unable to settle this case, you may still resolve many questions or issues during your talks. If an agreement is reached, a formal hearing will not be necessary and the scheduled hearing will be cancelled.

3. If you intend to present any documents or exhibits 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 Procedures. 52 Pa Code, Chapters 1, 3 and 5.

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 the Administrative Law Judge 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. COMPLAINANT IS RESPONSIBLE FOR PAYMENTS OF BILLS FOR USAGE INCURRED PENDING THE RESOLUTION OF THIS COMPLAINT. FAILURE TO MAINTAIN PAYMENTS MAY RESULT IN THE TERMINATION OF UTILITY SERVICE. IN ADDITION, PAYMENT OF ALL UNPAID BILLS IN ONE LUMP SUM COULD BE REQUIRED UPON RESOLUTION OF COMPLAINT.**

8. Complainant bears the burden of proving the case and should be prepared to support her claim with documentation and/or specific dates of events which could have an impact on the claims.

9. Respondent should be prepared to provide evidence to substantiate charges for January 22, 2001 bill.

Date: December 27, 2005

  
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Angela T. Jones  
Administrative Law Judge

**OALJ Hearing Report**

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Date:	March 14, 2006	Transcript Due:	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
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Name and Telephone Number	Address	Who are you representing?
Jacqueline Branch 215-927-3050	1015 E. Clivedon St Phila PA 19119	self
Luzeta Ferrines 215-684-6982	800 W Montgomery Ave Phila PA 19122 luzeta.ferrines@epgworks.com	TUW

Check this box if additional parties or attendees appear on back of form.

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Georgette McEwen  
Reporter's Signature

Note: Completion of this form does not constitute an entry of appearance, see 52 Pa. Code §§1.24 and 1.25.

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March 15, 2006

James McNulty, Secretary  
Pennsylvania Public Utility Commission  
Room B-20, North Office Building  
Harrisburg, PA 17105-3265

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RE: Jacqueline Branch v. PGW, Docket No. Z - 01651513

Dear Secretary McNulty:

Pursuant to 52 Pa. Code §5.24(b), the Philadelphia Gas Works (PGW) certifies that the above referenced Complaint has been satisfied. PGW and the Complainant have discussed the issues raised in the complaint and reached a settlement. With this discussion and settlement, the Complainant has indicated that she is satisfied with the resolution of this complaint.

By copy of this letter, I am notifying the Complainant of her right to object to any part of this settlement, in writing to the Public Utility Commission within ten (10) days of the date of this letter.

If additional information is needed about this matter, please contact me at my direct-dial number above. Thank you for your assistance.

Sincerely,

Laureto Farinas

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- cc. Jacqueline Branch
- Administrative Law Judge Angela T. Jones (via FAX)
- Cherie Pyle, Hearing Scheduler (via FAX)
- Orlando Rosario
- Linda Pereira
- Anne Marie Cromley

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PA PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION  
DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE

COMMONWEALTH OF PENNSYLVANIA  
PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION

DATE: March 16, 2006

SUBJECT: Z-01651513  
Jacqueline Branch v. Philadelphia Gas Works

TO: Wanda Zeiders  
Docket Management

FROM: Cherie Pyle, ALJ Support Staff  
Office of Administrative Law Judge

On March 15, 2006, a Certificate of Satisfaction was filed in the above-captioned proceeding. If no objection is filed to this certificate within 10 days of service, this proceeding will be closed.

All parties should be notified that the case is closed and a copy of that notification placed in the document folder.

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pc: ALJ Angela T. Jones  
Beth Plantz  
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