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Via Electronic Filing

Rosemary Chiavetta, Secretary PA Public Utility Commission P.O. Box 3265 Harrisburg, PA 17105-3265

Re:

PECO Energy Company's Petition for Plan for an Advance Payments Program Submitted Pursuant to 52 Pa. Code § 56.17

PECO Energy Company's Petition for Temporary Waiver of Portions of the Commission's Regulations with Respect to the Plan Docket No. P-2016-2573023

Dear Secretary Chiavetta:

Enclosed for electronic filing please find the Retail Energy Supply Association's ("RESA") Prehearing Memorandum in the above-referenced matter. Copies to be served in accordance with the attached Certificate of Service.

Sincerely,

Sarah C. Stoner

SCS/jls Enclosure

cc: Hon. Angela T. Jones, ALJ w/enc.

Cert. of Service w/enc.

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that this day I served a copy of RESA's Prehearing Memorandum upon the persons listed below in the manner indicated in accordance with the requirements of 52 Pa.

Code Section 1.54.

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BEFORE THE PENNSYLVANIA PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION

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and

Docket No. P-2016-2573023

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to that Plan

PREHEARING MEMORANDUM OF THE RETAIL ENERGY SUPPLY ASSOCIATION

Pursuant to 52 Pa. Code §§ 5.72-5.75 and the Prehearing Conference Order issued December 21, 2016, and subject to the granting of the Petition to Intervene being filed on this same date, the Retail Energy Supply Association ("RESA") submits this Prehearing Memorandum.

I. PROPOSED PROCEDURAL SCHEDULE

RESA will cooperate with the other parties and the Presiding Officer to facilitate a workable litigation schedule. RESA does not have any proposals regarding discovery modifications.

II. SETTLEMENT

RESA is willing to participate in settlement discussions with any party to narrow the issues in this matter.

III. WITNESSES

At this time, RESA is still evaluating whether or not to present testimony in this matter.

RESA reserves the right to present a witness as may be necessary depending on the course of the

proceeding and will provide the Presiding Officer as well as the other parties in this matter reasonable notice if necessary. RESA also reserves its right to add additional witnesses or change the identity of its witnesses at any time upon appropriate notice to the Presiding Officer and the parties.

IV. PRESENTLY IDENTIFIED ISSUES

RESA is a trade association of power marketers, independent power producers, and a broad range of companies within the Mid-Atlantic marketplace, each of whom support the electric services industry and seek to develop a more competitive power industry. RESA members are licensed to sell electric energy in the markets of Pennsylvania's major electric distribution companies ("EDCs"), including PECO's service territory.

Consistent with the comments and reply comments filed by RESA in this proceeding, RESA has identified the following issues that should be examined in this proceeding:

- How will PECO's implementation of a prepay billing option affect the ability of suppliers to offer competitive billing options for their electric generation products and services to retail customers in PECO's territory?
- Would granting PECO the right to full cost recovery for the development and implementation of its proposed prepay billing option be consistent with provisions of the Electricity Generation Customer Choice and Competition Act?
- Whether the Commission should reject PECO's petition and focus its efforts on implementing policies to allow EGSs the opportunity to build and maintain a direct billing relationship with customers.

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• If the Commission elects to approve PECO's proposed prepay billing option, what conditions should it place on its approval to address the negative retail market impacts that will follow?

At this time, RESA continues to evaluate its position on and will refine its position based on further study of PECO's proposal, review of discovery and additional input from other parties. RESA reserves the right to address other issues identified through its continued review and analysis of the filing or raised by other parties

V. <u>SERVICE OF DOCUMENTS</u>

RESA requests that all documents be served on:

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RESA also agrees to receive service of documents electronically in this proceeding. To the extent that materials are available electronically, it is requested that copies be served upon:

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