

CAPTION SHEET

CASE MANAGEMENT SYSTEM

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DIRECTOR:	:	00/00/00
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6. PERSON IN CHARGE:	:	7. DATE FILED: 03/30/06
8. DOCKET NO: F-01974802	:	9. EFFECTIVE DATE: 00/00/00

PARTY/COMPLAINANT: SAMSON, BONNIE R.

RESPONDENT/APPLICANT: PHILADELPHIA GAS WORKS

COMP/APP COUNTY: PHILADELPHIA

UTILITY CODE: 125042

ALLEGATION OR SUBJECT

COMPLAINANT STATES SHE HAS BEEN PAYING \$150 PER MONTH ON HER BILL. PGW WANTS HER TO PAY \$214, WHICH SHE CAN'T AFFORD. SHE WANTS THE PUC TO KEEP HER MONTHLY PAYMENT AT \$150 SINCE SHE CAN'T AFFORD MORE.

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Must be returned by MARCH 30, 2006

PENNSYLVANIA PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION

Formal Complaint Form

Please print or type.

F-01974802

1. CUSTOMER NAME (COMPLAINANT)

Your name, mailing address, county, telephone number, utility account number and service address:

Name BONNIE R. SAMSON

Street/P.O. Box 730 KENTWOOD ST Apt # _____

City PHILA State PA Zip 19116

County PHILA

Area Code/HOME Phone 215-969-0106

Area Code/WORK Phone _____

Utility Account Number 2120035833
(from your bill)

If your complaint involves utility service provided to a different address than your mailing address, please list this information below.

Name _____

Street/P.O. Box _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

2. UTILITY NAME (RESPONDENT)

Name of utility company your complaint concerns: PHILA GAS WORKS

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3. TYPE OF UTILITY (check one)

ELECTRIC

STEAM HEAT

GAS

WASTE WATER

WATER

MOTOR CARRIER

(taxi, moving company, limousine)

TELEPHONE

(local, long distance)

4. COMPLAINT (check one)

A. In general, what is your complaint?

I want to oppose the company's proposed rate increase.

There are incorrect charges on my bill.

There is a reliability, safety or quality problem with my utility service.

I received a notice that my utility service is being terminated.

I would like a payment agreement.

Other. I HAVE BEEN PAYING \$150.00 PER MONTH ON MY BILL, WHICH (explain) WILL CATCH UP IN THE SUMMER.

B. State the facts of your complaint.

Include any specific dates, times or places that are important. If the complaint is about a bill, tell us about any charges that you believe are not correct. Use additional paper if you need more space. Provide copies of all relevant documents you believe will support your complaint.

THEY (PGW) WANT ME TO PAY \$214.00 WHICH I CANNOT AFFORD. I AM NOT WORKING. I ONLY HAVE MY UNEMPLOYMENT, WHICH WILL EXPIRE IN JUNE. I HAVE A \$1266.00 A MONTH MORTGAGE, PLUS ELECTRIC, WATER, INSURANCE, TAXES AND OTHER BILLS; SUCH AS MEDICAL INS + EXPENSES, ETC. IT IS A STRUGGLE TO PAY WHAT IS BEING PAID NOW, WITHOUT HAVING TO PAY MORE.

5. RELIEF

What do you want the Public Utility Commission to do about your complaint? Use additional paper if you need more space.

KEEP MY MONTHLY PAYMENT AT \$150.00 SINCE
I CANNOT AFFORD MORE.

6. PROTECTION FROM ABUSE

Answer the following question if your complaint is against a natural gas distribution company, an electric distribution company or a water company **AND** your complaint is about a billing problem, an application for service problem, a termination of service problem or a request for a payment agreement.

Has a court granted a "Protection from Abuse" order for your personal safety?

YES

NO

7. PRIOR UTILITY CONTACT

Answer the following question only if you are a residential customer and your complaint is against an electric distribution utility, natural gas distribution utility or a water distribution utility.

Have you spoken to a utility company representative about this complaint?

YES

(includes appeals of BCS determinations)

NO



If you tried to, but could not speak to a utility company representative about your complaint, please explain why.

8. VERIFICATION AND SIGNATURE

You must print or type your name below on the line provided for the verification paragraph, and you must sign and date (in ink) this form on the lines provided.

Verification:

I BONNIE R. SAMSON, hereby state that the facts above set forth are true and correct (or are true and correct to the best of my knowledge, information and belief) and that I expect to be able to prove the same at a hearing held in this matter. I understand that the statements herein are made subject to the penalties of 18 Pa. C.S. § 4904 (relating to unsworn falsification to authorities).

Bonnie R. Samson
(Signature)

2/24/06
(Date)

9. LEGAL REPRESENTATION (IF ANY)

If you are represented by a lawyer in this matter you must provide your lawyer's name, address and telephone number.

Lawyer's Name _____

Street _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Area Code/Phone Number _____

10. FILING

Please return the completed form to one of the addresses listed below:

If using U.S. Postal Service:

If using overnight delivery service:

Secretary Pennsylvania Public Utility Commission P.O. Box 3265 Harrisburg, PA 17105	Secretary Pennsylvania Public Utility Commission 400 North Street Commonwealth Keystone Building, 2 nd Floor Harrisburg, Pennsylvania 17120
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Facsimiles and/or electronic filings of the complaint form will not be accepted.

If you have any questions about filling out this form, please contact the Secretary's Bureau at 717-772-7777.

Keep a copy of your complaint for your records.

**Request for Formal Complaint Form
(Notification of Intent to Appeal)**

Notice to Customer:

If you sign and return this form, you are telling the Public Utility Commission that you want to appeal this decision. Do not return this form unless you want to appeal this decision.

If you want to appeal, you must return this form within 20 days of 2/21/2006. The Commission will send you formal complaint forms if you return this form.

You must comply with this decision until the Public Utility Commission completes the formal complaint process. You must make all of the required payments or the utility company may shut off your service.

Sincerely,
Pennsylvania Public Utility Commission

Yes, I want to appeal this decision. Please send formal complaint forms to me at the following address:

Customer name and address:
(Please correct any mistakes.)

BONNIE SAMSON
730 KENTWOOD ST
PHILADELPHIA PA 19116 - 3622

215-969-0106
(Area Code) Telephone Number
BCS. 1974802
Company: PHILADELPHIA GAS
WORKS

Bonnie P. Samson
Signature
Date of Mailing: 2/21/2006

Mail this completed form to:

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

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PENNSYLVANIA PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION
P.O. BOX 3265, HARRISBURG, PA 17105-3265

IN REPLY PLEASE
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March 10, 2006

BCS1974802

BONNIE SAMSON
730 KENTWOOD STREET
PHILADELPHIA PA 19116

Dear Sir/Madam:

We have received your request to appeal the decision of the Bureau of Consumer Services.

We have enclosed one complaint form for you to complete. Please read carefully the instructions to help you complete the form.

**** Please make sure you sign the form. We must receive your original signature in order for us to process your complaint. Your form will be returned to you if an original signature is not received.**

Return the form to us on or before MARCH 30, 2006 to the address listed below:

James J. McNulty, Secretary
Pennsylvania Public Utility Commission
P.O. Box 3265
Harrisburg, PA 17105-3265

While you wait for us to reach a decision on your complaint, you must pay all undisputed bills (ones that are not a part of your complaint). As long as you pay all undisputed bills and return these formal complaint forms to us on time, the company is not permitted to terminate your service.

Commission Procedures for Formal Complaints

- We send a copy of this letter to the company so they know you are appealing the Bureau of Consumer Services' decision;
- We also send the company a copy of your completed formal complaint forms. Once they receive it, they have 20 days to send us an answer to your complaint. The company will send you a copy of their answer.

- Once we receive all the paperwork, we usually will schedule your hearing before an Administrative Law Judge.
- We will notify both you and the company by mail when the hearing date is set.
- If you cannot travel to your hearing, you can request that the hearing be held by phone. This is called a telephonic hearing. If we can, we will schedule a telephonic hearing for you.
- We will most likely schedule your hearing sometime within three months after you file your complaint forms. If you know of certain dates when you will not be available for a hearing, let us know when you file your forms. We will try to work around your schedule.
- If you cannot attend the hearing on the scheduled date, you must request a different time or date. You should request the change at least 5 days before your hearing by writing to:

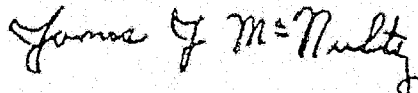
Office of Administrative Law Judge
Public Utility Commission
P.O. Box 3265
Harrisburg, PA 17105-3265

YOU SHOULD INCLUDE YOUR DAYTIME TELEPHONE NUMBER IN YOUR LETTER. DEPENDING ON YOUR REASON FOR NOT BEING ABLE TO ATTEND THE SCHEDULED HEARING, YOUR REQUEST TO CHANGE THE HEARING MAY OR MAY NOT BE APPROVED. WE WILL LET YOU KNOW OUR DECISION ON YOUR REQUEST FOR CHANGING THE HEARING DATE BEFORE THE DATE OF THE HEARING.

YOU MUST ATTEND SCHEDULED HEARINGS IN PERSON OR BY PHONE. IF YOU DO NOT ATTEND, YOUR COMPLAINT MAY BE DISMISSED (THROWN OUT).

If you have any questions about the complaint process, please call the Bureau of Consumer Services, toll free, at 1-800-782-1110.

Very truly yours,



James J. McNulty
Secretary

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cc: PHILADELPHIA GAS WORKS

BEFORE THE PENNSYLVANIA PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION

DATE SERVED: MARCH 31, 2006

BONNIE R. SAMSON
Complainant

v.

PHILADELPHIA GAS WORKS
Respondent

Complaint Docket
No: F-01974802

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FORMAL COMPLAINT NOTICE TO RESPONDENT TO ANSWER OR SATISFY

TO: PHILADELPHIA GAS WORKS

TAKE NOTICE:

That a complaint in the above entitled matter, of which the attached is a true and correct copy, has been presented and filed of record with the Pennsylvania Public Utility Commission. Section 702 of the Public Utility Code, 66 Pa. C.S. Section 702, requires the Commission to serve on each party named in a complaint a copy of the complaint and notice calling upon each party to satisfy the complaint, or to answer the same in writing within a specified time; THEREFORE,

1. You have twenty (20) days from the date on which this complaint is served to either satisfy this complaint or to file with the **Secretary of the Pennsylvania Public Utility Commission, P. O. Box 3265, Harrisburg, PA 17105-3265**, an answer (original and three copies), in writing, under oath, which, as required by Section 5.61 of the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure, 52 Pa. Code Section 5.61, either affirms or specifically denies the allegations in this complaint. You must also serve a copy of the answer upon the complainant. The date of service is the mailing date as indicated by the date at the top of this Notice. Section 1.56(a) of the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure, 52 Pa. Code Section 1.56(a).

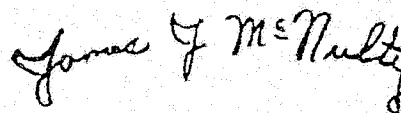
2. If you fail to either satisfy this complaint or to file answer or other responsive pleading within twenty (20) days, you will be deemed to have admitted all the allegations in this complaint in accordance with Section 5.61 of the Commission's Rules of Administrative Practice and Procedure, 52 Pa. Code Section 5.61. In that event, the Commission may, without hearing, enter an order which either revokes or suspends any certificate or permit held by you or which imposes a fine or any other appropriate penalty or remedy authorized by the Public Utility Code, 66 Pa. C.S. Section 101, et seq.; and, if

you are a customer of a utility, an order may be entered which prescribes a payment schedule or which authorizes termination of utility services. The Commission is not limited to the relief sought by the complainant in paragraph 4 of the attached complaint.

3. If you elect to satisfy this complaint you must file, within twenty (20) days from the date on which this complaint is served, affidavits executed by each complainant that this complaint has been satisfied. Such affidavits must describe the basis on which this complaint was satisfied; any settlement agreement between the parties must be reduced to writing and attached to the affidavit. Such affidavits are to be filed with the Secretary of the Commission at the address set forth in paragraph 1. Upon receipt of affidavits of satisfaction from all complainants, this complaint may be dismissed by the Commission in accordance with Section 703(a) of the Public Utility Code, 66 Pa. C.S. Section 703(a), unless the Commission determines that such dismissal would be contrary to the public interest, in which event the Commission may direct that hearings be held upon the complaint.

4. If you file an answer which admits the allegations in this complaint, or which fails to specifically deny the allegations in this complaint, the Commission may, without hearing, enter an order which either revokes or suspends any certificate held by you or which imposes a fine or any other appropriate penalty or remedy authorized by the Public Utility Code, 66 Pa. C. S. Section 101, et seq.; and, if you are a customer of a utility, an order may be entered which prescribes a payment schedule or which authorizes termination of utility services. The Commission is not limited to the relief sought by the complainant in paragraph 4 of the attached complaint.

5. If you file a timely answer which specifically denies the allegations in this complaint, or which raises material questions of law or fact, this matter shall be referred to the Office of Administrative Law Judge for hearing and decision. If, after hearing on the issues raised by that answer, you are found to have committed any of the violations alleged in the complaint, the Administrative Law Judge may render a decision which either revokes or suspends any certificate or permit held by you or which imposes a fine or any other appropriate penalty or remedy authorized by the Public Utility Code, 66 Pa. C. S. Section 101, et seq.; and, if you are a customer of a utility, an order may be entered which prescribes a payment schedule or which authorizes termination of utility services. In the imposition of a penalty, after a hearing the Administrative Law Judge is not bound by the relief sought by the complainant in paragraph 4 of the attached complaint.



James J. McNulty
Secretary

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PENNSYLVANIA PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION
P.O. BOX 3265, HARRISBURG, PA 17105-3265

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DATE SERVED: MARCH 31, 2006

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LAURETO FARINAS ESQUIRE
PHILADELPHIA GAS WORKS
800 W MONTGOMERY AVE
PHILADELPHIA PA 19122-2898

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Dear Mr. Farinas:

A complaint has been filed against you before the Pennsylvania Public Utility Commission by BONNIE R. SAMSON. To defend yourself against the claims stated in the following pages, you must act within twenty (20) days by filing in writing with the Commission, either personally or through your attorney, your defenses or objections to the claims stated against you. Or, you may satisfy the complaint by settling the matter with the Complainant and submitting proof of settlement to the Commission within twenty (20) days.

IF YOU FAIL TO RESPOND WITHIN TWENTY (20) DAYS, THE CASE MAY GO FORWARD IN YOUR ABSENCE AND A JUDGEMENT MAY BE ENTERED AGAINST YOU BY THE COMMISSION WITHOUT FURTHER NOTICE.

CUSTOMER OF A UTILITY

A payment schedule may be prescribed or a termination of utility services may be authorized. You may lose money or property or other rights important to you.

COMPANY/UTILITY

An Administrative Law Judge may revoke or suspend any certificate or permit held by you, or impose a fine, or any other appropriate penalty or remedy authorized by the Public Utility Code. You may lose money or property or other rights important to you.

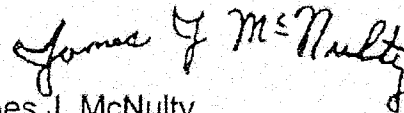
Detailed instructions on how to proceed are contained in the attached pages. You are advised to read them carefully.

MARCH 31, 2006

Unless you are a corporation or other organization, you may proceed without a lawyer. However, if you want a lawyer and do not have one or cannot afford one, the office listed below can tell you where you can get legal help:

Pennsylvania Lawyer Referral Service
Pennsylvania Bar Association
P.O. Box 186
Harrisburg, PA 17108
(800) 692-7375

Very truly yours,



James J. McNulty
Secretary

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Mary M. Chan, Paralegal
Legal Department
Direct Dial: (215) 684-6830
Fax: (215) 684-6798
E-mail: mary.chan@pgrworks.com

April 19, 2006

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

RE: Bonnie Samson vs. PGW, Docket No. F-01974802

Dear Secretary McNulty:

Pursuant to 52 Pa. Code §5.61, the Philadelphia Gas Works ("PGW") hereby files the original and three (3) copies of its Answer to the Complaint in the above captioned matter.

If additional information is needed about this matter, please do not hesitate to contact me at my direct-dial number above. Thank you for your assistance in this matter.

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Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be "Mary M. Chan", written over a horizontal line.

Mary M. Chan

Enclosure

cc: Bonnie Samson
Eloise Carnall

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BEFORE THE
PENNSYLVANIA PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION

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Bonnie R. Samson

v.

Philadelphia Gas Works

Docket No.: F-01974802

Answer of the Philadelphia Gas Works

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Pursuant to 52 Pa. Code §5.61, the Philadelphia Gas Works ("PGW") hereby answers the Complaint filed in the above captioned matter. PGW hereby avers the following:

1. Admitted.
2. Admitted.
3. Admitted.
4. (a) Admitted. It is admitted that the Complainant has been paying \$150 per month on her bill.
(b) Denied. PGW denies the averments concerning the payment arrangement terms and the affordability of the arrangement given the Complainant's other expenses. PGW has no knowledge of the Complainant's other expenses. Therefore, PGW denies the averments in Paragraph 4(b).
5. Denied. The averment in Paragraph 5 of the Complaint is a request for relief to which no response is required. PGW therefore denies the averments in this paragraph.
6. Admitted.
7. Admitted.

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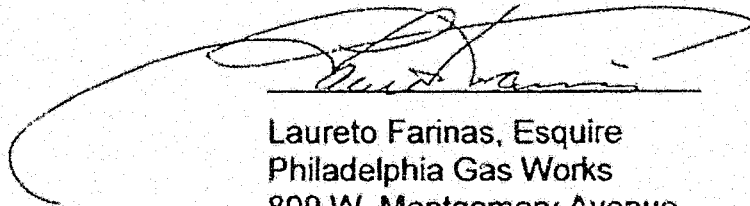
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SECRETARY'S BUREAU

Wherefore, PGW respectfully requests that this Commission find against the Complainant, and affirm the decision of the BCS in this matter. PGW requests that, the Commission enter an Interim Order directing the Complainant to make payment of the current bill during the pendency of the hearing in this matter. PGW further requests that the Interim Order directing payment authorize PGW to terminate service if the Complainant fails to comply with that Interim Order.

Respectfully submitted,

April 19, 2006

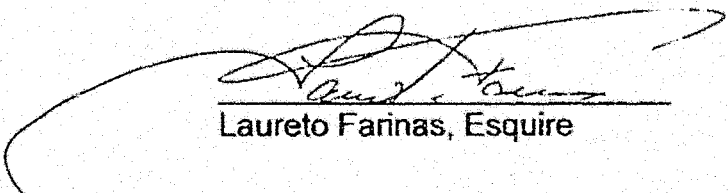
A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Laureto Farinas", is written over a horizontal line. The signature is stylized and cursive.

Laureto Farinas, Esquire
Philadelphia Gas Works
800 W. Montgomery Avenue
Philadelphia, PA 19122
(215) 684-6982

VERIFICATION

I, Laureto Farinas, hereby declare that I am counsel for the Philadelphia Gas Works. I am authorized to make this verification on its behalf. The facts set forth in the foregoing Answer are true and correct to the best of my knowledge, information and belief. I expect to be able to prove these facts at a hearing held in this matter. This verification is made subject to the penalties of 18. Pa. C.S. §4904, concerning false statements to authorities.

Dated: April 19, 2006



Laureto Farinas, Esquire

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

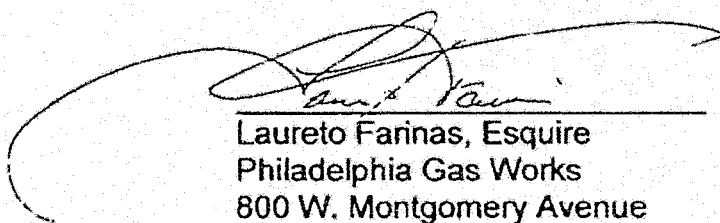
I HEREBY CERTIFY THAT I HAVE THIS DAY SERVED A TRUE COPY
OF THE FOREGOING DOCUMENT UPON THE PARTICIPANTS LISTED
BELOW, IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE REQUIREMENTS OF 52 PA CODE
§1.54 (RELATING TO SERVICE BY A PARTICIPANT).

Service List:

For Complainant:

Bonnie Samson
730 Kentwood Street
Philadelphia, PA 19116

Dated: April 19, 2006



Laureto Farinas, Esquire
Philadelphia Gas Works
800 W. Montgomery Avenue
Philadelphia, PA 19122
(215) 684-6982

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 Office of Administrative Law Judge
 P.O. BOX 3265, HARRISBURG, PA 17105-3265
 April 27, 2006

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In Re: F-01974802

(SEE ATTACHED LIST)

Bonnie Samson v. Philadelphia Gas Works

Requests payment arrangements

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Hearing Notice

This is to inform you that your case is scheduled for hearing at 1:30 p.m. in Hearing Room 1 in the Philadelphia State Office Building. Your case is one of several cases that have been scheduled at this time in Hearing Room 1. 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 presiding 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 afternoon, 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.

Type: Initial Hearing
Date: Tuesday, May 30, 2006
Time: 1:30 p.m.
Location: Hearing Room 1
 State Office Building
 Broad & Spring Garden Streets
 Philadelphia, PA

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Presiding: Administrative Law Judge Ky Van Nguyen
1302 Philadelphia State Office Building
1400 West Spring Garden Street
Philadelphia, PA 19130
Telephone: 215.560.2105
Fax: 215.560.3133

Attention: You must be available in the hearing room when your case is called by the presiding Administrative Law Judge. 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.

If you intend to file exhibits, bring 4 copies with you to the hearing.

Individuals may represent themselves or be represented by an attorney. Individuals representing themselves do not need to be represented by an attorney. If you have an attorney representing you, your attorney should file a Notice of Appearance before the scheduled hearing date.

If you are a person with a disability, and you wish to attend the hearing, we may be able to make arrangements for your special needs. Please call the scheduling office at the Public Utility Commission at least (2) two business days prior to your hearing:

- Scheduling Office: (717) 787-1399.
- AT&T Relay Service number for persons who are deaf or hearing-impaired: 1-800-654-5988.

pc: Judge Nguyen
Dawn Reitenbach
Beth Plantz
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