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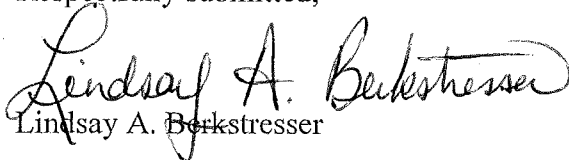
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**Re: Application of PPL Electric Utilities Corporation for Approval of Intercompany
Restructuring
Docket No. A-2017-2629534**

Dear Secretary Chiavetta:

Enclosed for filing, please find the Motion for a Protective Order of PPL Electric Utilities Corporation in the above-referenced proceeding. Copies will be provided as indicated on the Certificate of Service.

Respectfully submitted,


Lindsay A. Berkstresser

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Enclosure

cc: Honorable Joel H. Cheskis
Honorable Benjamin J. Myers
Certificate of Service

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that a true and correct copy of the foregoing has been served upon the following persons, in the manner indicated, in accordance with the requirements of 52 Pa. Code § 1.54 (relating to service by a participant).

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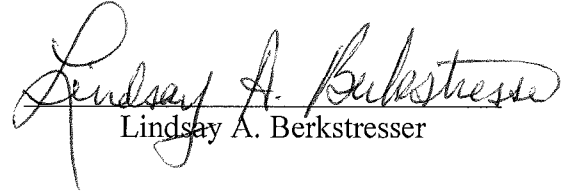
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**BEFORE THE
PENNSYLVANIA PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION**

Application of PPL Electric Utilities :
Corporation for Approval of Intercompany : Docket No. A-2017-2629534
Restructuring :

MOTION FOR A PROTECTIVE ORDER

TO ADMINISTRATIVE LAW JUDGES JOEL H. CHESKIS AND BENJAMIN J. MYERS:

PPL Electric Utilities Corporation (“PPL Electric”) hereby requests that a Protective Order be entered in this proceeding pursuant to the provisions of 52 Pa. Code § 5.365. In support thereof, PPL Electric states as follows:

1. On October 16, 2017, PPL Electric filed an Application for Approval of Intercompany Restructuring (“Application”) requesting Pennsylvania Public Utility Commission (“Commission”) approval of the proposed restructuring.

2. Proprietary Information within the definition of 52 Pa. Code § 5.365 may be presented or requested during the course of this proceeding, which justifies the issuance of a protective order. In addition, some of that information may be of a highly confidential nature. This information includes but is not limited to specific financial information, which may present competitive concerns if publically released. Confidential treatment of such information as set forth in the attached proposed Protective Order is justified because unrestricted disclosure of this information would not be in the public interest. These considerations constitute cause for the restrictions specified in 52 Pa. Code § 5.365 and in Administrative Law Judge or Commission Orders granting relief pursuant to the regulation.

3. Under 52 Pa. Code §§ 5.362(7) and 5.365, the Office of Administrative Law Judge or the Commission may issue a Protective Order to limit or prohibit disclosure of confidential commercial information where the potential harm to a participant would be substantial and

outweighs the public's interest in having access to the confidential information. In applying this standard, relevant factors to be considered include: the extent to which disclosure would cause unfair economic or competitive damage; the extent to which the information may already be known by others; the potential value of such information to the participant and the participant's competitors and trade partners; the degree of difficulty and cost of developing the information; and other statutes or regulations dealing with disclosure of information. 52 Pa. Code §§ 5.365(a)(1) – (5).

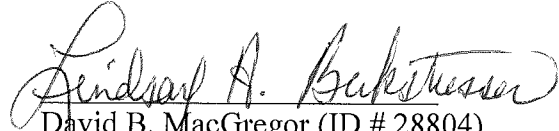
4. Limitation on the disclosure of proprietary information will not prejudice the rights of the participants, nor will such limitation frustrate the prompt and fair resolution of this proceeding. The proposed Protective Order balances the interests of the parties, the public, and the Commission.

5. The attached proposed Protective Order will protect the proprietary information while allowing the parties to use such information for purposes of the instant litigation. The proposed Protective Order permits the Bureau of Investigation and Enforcement (“I&E”) Prosecutors to afford access to CONFIDENTIAL information and HIGHLY CONFIDENTIAL information to I&E’s experts who are full-time employees of the Commission. These employees would be bound by all of the provisions of the Protective Order by virtue of the I&E Prosecutors’ execution of a Non-Disclosure Certificate. The proposed Protective Order also permits counsel for the Office of Consumer Advocate (“OCA”) and Office of Small Business Advocate (“OSBA”) to afford access to CONFIDENTIAL information and HIGHLY CONFIDENTIAL information to the Consumer Advocate and Small Business Advocate, respectively. The Consumer Advocate and Small Business Advocate would be bound by all of the provisions of the Protective Order by virtue of the OCA counsel’s and OSBA counsel’s execution of a Non-Disclosure Certificate.

6. PPL Electric circulated the proposed Protective Order to all parties of record and is authorized to herein represent that no party objects to the proposed Protective Order.

WHEREFORE, for all the foregoing reasons, PPL Electric Utilities Corporation respectfully requests that Administrative Law Judges Joel H. Cheskis and Benjamin J. Myers grant this Motion and issue the attached Protective Order.

Respectfully submitted,



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PROTECTIVE ORDER

Upon consideration of the Motion for a Protective Order that was filed by PPL Electric Utilities Corporation (“PPL Electric”) on January 22, 2018;

IT IS ORDERED THAT:

1. The Motion is hereby granted with respect to all materials and information identified in Paragraphs 2 and 3 below, which are or will be filed with the Commission, produced in discovery, or otherwise presented during the above-captioned proceeding and all proceedings consolidated with it. All persons now or hereafter granted access to the materials and information identified in Paragraphs 2 and 3 of this Protective Order shall use and disclose such information only in accordance with this Order.

2. The information subject to this Protective Order is all correspondence, documents, data, information, studies, methodologies and other materials, furnished in this proceeding, which are believed by the producing party to be of a proprietary or confidential nature and which are so designated by being stamped “CONFIDENTIAL” or “HIGHLY CONFIDENTIAL.” Such materials will be referred to below as “Proprietary Information.” When a statement or exhibit is identified for the record, the portions thereof that constitute Proprietary Information shall be designated as such for the record.

3. This Protective Order applies to the following categories of materials: (A) the parties may designate as “CONFIDENTIAL” those materials which customarily are treated by that party as

sensitive or proprietary, which are not available to the public, and which, if disclosed freely, would subject that party or its clients to risk of competitive disadvantage or other business injury; (B) the parties may designate as “HIGHLY CONFIDENTIAL” those materials that are of such a commercially sensitive nature among the parties or of such a private, personal nature that the producing party is able to justify a heightened level of confidential protection with respect to those materials. The parties shall endeavor to limit their designation of information as “HIGHLY CONFIDENTIAL.”

4. Proprietary Information shall be made available to counsel for a party, subject to the terms of this Protective Order. Such counsel shall use or disclose the Proprietary Information only for purposes of preparing or presenting evidence, cross examination or argument in this proceeding. To the extent required for participation in this proceeding, counsel for a party may afford access to Proprietary Information subject to the conditions set forth in this Protective Order.

5. Information deemed as “CONFIDENTIAL”, shall be made available to a “Reviewing Representative” who is a person who has signed a Non-Disclosure Certificate and who is:

- (a) An attorney who has made an appearance in this proceeding for a party;
- (b) Attorneys, paralegals, and other employees associated for purposes of this case with an attorney described in Paragraph 5(a);
- (c) An expert or an employee of an expert retained by a party for the purpose of advising, preparing for or testifying in this proceeding; or
- (d) Employees or other representatives of a party appearing in this proceeding with significant responsibility for this docket.

With regard to the Bureau of Investigation and Enforcement (“I&E”), information deemed as “CONFIDENTIAL” shall be made available to the I&E Prosecutors, subject to the terms of this Protective Order. The I&E Prosecutors shall use or disclose the CONFIDENTIAL information only

for purposes of preparing or presenting evidence, cross examination or argument in this proceeding. To the extent required for participation in this proceeding, the I&E Prosecutors may afford access to CONFIDENTIAL information only to I&E's experts, without the need for the execution of a Non-Disclosure Certificate, who are full-time employees of the Commission and bound by all the provisions of this Protective Order by virtue of the I&E Prosecutors' execution of a Non-Disclosure Certificate.

With regard to the Office of Consumer Advocate ("OCA") and Office of Small Business Advocate ("OSBA"), counsel for the OCA and OSBA may afford access to CONFIDENTIAL information to the Consumer Advocate and Small Business Advocate, respectively, without the need for execution of a Non-Disclosure Certificate. The Consumer Advocate and Small Business Advocate would be bound by all of the provisions of the Protective Order by virtue of the OCA counsel's and OSBA counsel's execution of a Non-Disclosure Certificate.

6. Information deemed as "HIGHLY CONFIDENTIAL", may be provided to a "Reviewing Representative" who has signed a Non-Disclosure Certificate and who is:

- (a) An attorney for a statutory advocate pursuant to 52 Pa. Code §1.8 or a counsel who has made an appearance in this proceeding for a party;
- (b) An attorney, paralegal, or other employee associated for purposes of this case with an attorney described in Paragraph 6(a);
- (c) An outside expert or an employee of an outside expert retained by a party for the purposes of advising, preparing for or testifying in this proceeding; or
- (d) A person designated as a Reviewing Representative for purposes of HIGHLY CONFIDENTIAL information pursuant to Paragraph 10.

With regard to the I&E, information deemed as "HIGHLY CONFIDENTIAL" shall be made available to the I&E Prosecutors subject to the terms of this Protective Order. The I&E Prosecutors shall use or disclose the HIGHLY CONFIDENTIAL information only for purposes of preparing or presenting evidence, cross examination or argument in this proceeding. To the extent

required for participation in this proceeding, the I&E Prosecutors may afford access to HIGHLY CONFIDENTIAL information, only to I&E's experts, without the need for the execution of a Non-Disclosure Certificate, who are full-time employees of the Commission and bound by all the provisions of this Protective Order by virtue of the I&E Prosecutors' execution of a Non-Disclosure Certificate.

With regard to the OCA and OSBA, counsel for the OCA and OSBA may afford access to HIGHLY CONFIDENTIAL information to the Consumer Advocate and Small Business Advocate, respectively, without the need for the execution of a Non-Disclosure Certificate. The Consumer Advocate and Small Business Advocate would be bound by all of the provisions of the Protective Order by virtue of the OCA counsel's and OSBA counsel's execution of a Non-Disclosure Certificate.

Provided, further, that in accordance with the provisions of Sections 5.362 and 5.365(e) of the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure, 52 Pa. Code §§ 5.362, 5.365(e), any party may, by subsequent objection or motion, seek further protection with respect to HIGHLY CONFIDENTIAL information, including, but not limited to, total prohibition of disclosure or limitation of disclosure only to particular parties.

7. For purposes of this Protective Order, a Reviewing Representative may not be a "Restricted Person."

(a) A "Restricted Person" shall mean: (i) an officer, director, stockholder, partner, or owner of any competitor of the parties or an employee of such an entity if the employee's duties involve marketing or pricing of the competitor's products or services; (ii) an officer, director, stockholder, partner, or owner of any affiliate of a competitor of the parties (including any association of competitors of the parties) or an employee of such an entity if the employee's duties involve marketing or pricing of the competitor's products or services; (iii) an

officer, director, stockholder, owner or employee of a competitor of a customer of the parties if the Proprietary Information concerns a specific, identifiable customer of the parties; and (iv) an officer, director, stockholder, owner or employee of an affiliate of a competitor of a customer of the parties if the Proprietary Information concerns a specific, identifiable customer of the parties; provided, however, that no expert shall be disqualified on account of being a stockholder, partner, or owner unless that expert's interest in the business would provide a significant motive for violation of the limitations of permissible use of the Proprietary Information. For purposes of this Protective Order, stocks, partnership or other ownership interests valued at more than \$10,000 or constituting more than a 1% interest in a business establishes a significant motive for violation.

(b) If an expert for a party, another member of the expert's firm or the expert's firm generally also serves as an expert for, or as a consultant or advisor to, a Restricted Person, said expert must: (i) identify for the parties each Restricted Person and each expert or consultant; (ii) make reasonable attempts to segregate those personnel assisting in the expert's participation in this proceeding from those personnel working on behalf of a Restricted Person; and (iii) if segregation of such personnel is impractical the expert shall give to the producing party written assurances that the lack of segregation will in no way jeopardize the interests of the parties or their customers. The parties retain the right to challenge the adequacy of the written assurances that the parties' or their customers' interests will not be jeopardized. No other persons may have access to the Proprietary Information except as authorized by order of the Commission.

(c) The OSBA's consultant, Mr. Robert D. Knecht, will not be considered to be a "Restricted Person" and Paragraphs 7(a) and 7(b) will not apply to Mr. Knecht, provided that Mr. Knecht does not share, distribute, or discuss the Proprietary Information with any person except authorized OSBA representatives.

8. A qualified "Reviewing Representative" for HIGHLY CONFIDENTIAL information may review and discuss HIGHLY CONFIDENTIAL information with their client or with the entity with which they are employed or associated, to the extent that the client or entity is not a "Restricted Person", but may not share with or permit the client or entity to review the HIGHLY CONFIDENTIAL information, provided however that counsel for I&E, the OCA, and OSBA may share Proprietary Information with the I&E Director, Consumer Advocate, and Small Business Advocate, respectively, without obtaining a Non-Disclosure Certificate from these individuals, provided however, that these individuals otherwise abide by the terms of the Stipulated Protective Agreement.

9. Proprietary Information shall be treated by the parties and by the Reviewing Representative in accordance with the certificate executed pursuant to Paragraph 11(a). Information deemed Proprietary Information shall not be used except as necessary for the conduct of this proceeding, nor shall it be disclosed in any manner to any person except a Reviewing Representative who is engaged in the conduct of this proceeding and who needs to know the information in order to carry out that person's responsibilities in this proceeding.

10. Reviewing Representatives may not use information contained in any Proprietary Information obtained through this proceeding to give any party or any competitor of any party a commercial advantage. In the event that a Party wishes to designate as a Reviewing Representative a person not described in Paragraphs 5(a) through 5(d) or 6(a) through (c) above, the party shall seek agreement from the party providing the Proprietary Information. If an agreement is reached, that person shall be a Reviewing Representative pursuant to Paragraph 6(d) above with respect to those materials. If no agreement is reached, the party shall submit the disputed designation to the presiding Administrative Law Judge for resolution.

11. (a) A Reviewing Representative shall not be permitted to inspect, participate in discussions regarding, or otherwise be permitted access to Proprietary Information pursuant to this Protective Order unless that Reviewing Representative has first executed a Non-Disclosure Certificate provided that if an attorney qualified as a Reviewing Representative has executed such a certificate, the paralegals, secretarial and clerical personnel under the attorney's instruction, supervision or control need not do so, nor do Commission employees assisting I&E as noted above in paragraphs 5 and 6. A copy of each Non-Disclosure Certificate shall be provided to counsel for the party asserting confidentiality prior to disclosure of any Proprietary Information to that Reviewing Representative.

(b) Attorneys and outside experts qualified as Reviewing Representatives are responsible for ensuring that persons under their supervision or control comply with the Protective Order.

12. None of the parties waive their right to pursue any other legal or equitable remedies that may be available in the event of actual or anticipated disclosure of Proprietary Information.

13. The parties shall designate data or documents as constituting or containing Proprietary Information by stamping the documents "CONFIDENTIAL" or "HIGHLY CONFIDENTIAL." Where only part of data compilations or multi-page documents constitutes or contains Proprietary Information, the parties, insofar as reasonably practicable within discovery and other time constraints imposed in this proceeding, shall designate only the specific data or pages of documents which constitute or contain Proprietary Information. The Proprietary Information shall be served upon the parties hereto only in an envelope separate from the nonproprietary materials, and the envelope shall be conspicuously marked "CONFIDENTIAL" or "HIGHLY CONFIDENTIAL."

14. The party will consider and treat the Proprietary Information as within the exemptions from disclosure provided in Section 335(d) of the Public Utility Code, 66 Pa.C.S. § 335(d), and the Pennsylvania Right-to-Know Act, Act of February 14, 2008, P.L. 6, 65 P.S. §§ 67.101 *et seq.*, until such time as the information is found to be non-proprietary.

15. Any public reference to Proprietary Information by a party or its Reviewing Representatives shall be to the title or exhibit reference in sufficient detail to permit persons with access to the Proprietary Information to understand fully the reference and not more. The Proprietary Information shall remain a part of the record, to the extent admitted, for all purposes of administrative or judicial review.

16. Part of any record of this proceeding containing Proprietary Information, including but not limited to all exhibits, writings, testimony, cross examination, argument, and responses to discovery, and including reference thereto as mentioned in Paragraph 15 above, shall be sealed for all purposes, including administrative and judicial review, unless such Proprietary Information is released from the restrictions of this Protective Order, either through the agreement of the parties to this proceeding or pursuant to an order of the Commission.

17. The parties shall retain the right to question or challenge the confidential or proprietary nature of Proprietary Information and to question or challenge the admissibility of Proprietary Information. If a party challenges the designation of a document or information as proprietary, the party providing the information retains the burden of demonstrating that the designation is appropriate.

18. The parties shall retain the right to question or challenge the admissibility of Proprietary Information; to object to the production of Proprietary Information on any proper ground; and to refuse to produce Proprietary Information pending the adjudication of the objection.

19. Within 30 days after a Commission final order is entered in the above-captioned proceeding, or in the event of appeals, within thirty days after appeals are finally decided, the receiving party, upon request, shall either destroy or return to the producing party all copies of all documents and other materials not entered into the record, including notes, which contain any Proprietary Information. In the event that the receiving party elects to destroy all copies of documents and other materials containing Proprietary Information instead of returning the copies of documents and other materials containing Proprietary Information to the producing party, upon request, the receiving party shall certify in writing to the producing party that the Proprietary Information has been destroyed.

Dated: _____

APPENDIX A

BEFORE THE
PENNSYLVANIA PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION

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TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:

The undersigned is the _____ of _____ (the retaining party).

The undersigned has read and understands the Protective Order deals with the treatment of Proprietary Information. The undersigned agrees to be bound by and comply with the terms and conditions of said Protective Order.

SIGNATURE

PRINT NAME

ADDRESS

DATE: _____

EMPLOYER