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VIA ELECTRONIC FILINGRosemary Chiavetta, Secretary
Pennsylvania Public Utility Commission
Commonwealth Keystone Building
400 North Street, 2nd Floor
Harrisburg, PA 17120**Re: Application of Transource Pennsylvania, LLC Filed Pursuant to 52 Pa. Code Chapter 57, Subchapter G, for Approval of the Siting and Construction of the 230 kV Transmission Line Associated with the Independence Energy Connection-East Project in Portions of York County, Pennsylvania, and the Independence Energy Connection-West Project in Portions of Franklin County, Pennsylvania; Docket Nos. A-2017-2640195 and A-2017-2640200**

Dear Secretary Chiavetta:

Enclosed for filing please find the Prehearing Conference Memorandum of Mid-Atlantic Interstate Transmission, LLC and West Penn Power Company in the above-referenced matter.

As indicated on the attached Certificate of Service, copies have been served on the parties in the manner indicated.

Please contact me with any questions regarding this matter.

Very truly yours,



Teresa K. Harrold

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Enclosuresc: As Per Certificate of Service
The Honorable Elizabeth H. Barnes
The Honorable Andrew M. Calvelli

in York County, Pennsylvania (“East Application”) and the Independence Energy Connection-West Project in Franklin County, Pennsylvania (“West Application”) at the Pennsylvania Public Utility Commission (“PUC” or “Commission”).

Notice was published in the Pennsylvania Bulletin on January 20, 2018, directing that formal protests and petitions to intervene be filed with the Commission on or before February 20, 2018. On February 20, 2018, the FirstEnergy Companies submitted Petitions to Intervene in each of the above-referenced proceedings. A Prehearing Conference was scheduled for March 13, 2018 before ALJ Barnes and ALJ Calvelli.

II. STATEMENT OF THE ISSUES

Although the FirstEnergy Companies currently take no position regarding Transource’s East and West Applications, proposed changes to the Applications by other intervenors, as well as the Commission’s ultimate disposition of the Applications could directly impact the FirstEnergy Companies. Transource is seeking approval from the Commission to construct 230 kV transmission lines in order to implement a Market Efficiency project, identified as Baseline Upgrade Numbers b2743 and b2752, previously approved by PJM Interconnection, LLC. Under Baseline Upgrade Numbers b2743 and b2752, MAIT will be required to construct a line between the Hunterstown-Conemaugh 500 kV transmission line and a new substation, the Rice Substation, which will be constructed by Transource. If the Independence East Project is approved, MAIT also will be required to make relay upgrades at its substation facilities in Middletown, Pennsylvania. In addition, the Independence West Project may affect the operation of several transmission lines in West Penn’s service territory. Any modifications made to Transource’s Applications during these proceedings may directly impact the FirstEnergy Companies’ operations. Accordingly, the FirstEnergy Companies’ participation will focus on any proposed

changes to the Applications and the impacts of such changes on the FirstEnergy Companies' facilities and future work.

III. WITNESSES

Although the FirstEnergy Companies currently do not intend to present any witnesses, the FirstEnergy Companies reserve their right to present witnesses and testimony based on developments in the proceedings.

IV. SETTLEMENT

The FirstEnergy Companies are willing to participate in any settlement discussions regarding these proceedings, but do not anticipate taking an active position in this matter as of this time.

V. PROPOSED SCHEDULE AND DISCOVERY ISSUES

The FirstEnergy Companies do not object to the procedural schedule identified in the Prehearing Order, or the consideration of modifications to discovery rules in accordance with the Commission's regulations.

VI. SERVICE LIST

For purposes of service in the above-referenced proceedings, please include Teresa Harrold on the service list at the address listed below.

VII. CONSOLIDATION


The FirstEnergy Companies have no objection to the consolidation of the above-referenced proceedings.

VIII. CONCLUSION

WHEREFORE, the FirstEnergy Companies respectfully submit this Prehearing Conference Memorandum.

Respectfully submitted,

Dated: March 8, 2018



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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that I have this day served a true and correct copy of the foregoing document upon the individuals listed below.

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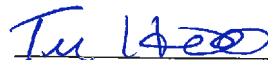
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