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June 18, 2018

#### VIA HAND DELIVERY

Rosemary Chiavetta, Secretary Pennsylvania Public Utility Commission Commonwealth Keystone Building 400 North Street, 2nd Floor Harrisburg, PA 17120

#### Re: Notice of Assignment of National Choice Energy, LLC Customer Contracts to Astral Energy, LLC Docket Nos. A-2017-2597692 and A-2014-2439632

Dear Secretary Chiavetta:

On behalf of National Choice Energy, LLC ("NCE") and Astral Energy, LLC ("Astral"), enclosed please find a letter notifying the Commission of the assignment of NCE's electricity generation supply customer contracts to Astral. **Confidential** copies of Astral and NCE's Quarterly Reports of Gross Receipts for the last four quarters are also being provided in a separate envelope for filing under seal.

Copies of this filing are being served in accordance with the attached certificate of service. Upon filing, kindly return a time-stamped copy of this filing to our courier. Thank you, and please feel free to contact me if you have any questions or concerns.

Best Regards,

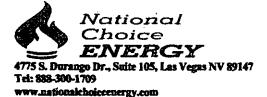
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PA PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION SECRETARY'S BUREAU

Re: Notice of Assignment of National Choice Energy, LLC Customer Contracts to Astral Energy, LLC Docket Nos. A-2017-2597692 and A-2014-2439632

Dear Secretary Chiavetta,

Pursuant to the Commission's Interim Guidelines Regarding Notification by an Electric Generation Supplier of Operational Changes Affecting Customer Service and Contracts (Docket No. M-00960890F0013, please accept this joint letter as notice by National Choice Energy, LLC, (Electric Generation Supplier License No. A-2017-2597692) ("NCE"), and Astral Energy, LLC (Electric Generation Supplier License No. A-2014-2439632) ("Astral"), that NCE will assign its Pennsylvania customer contracts to Astral. Astral is licensed to serve customers in all of the Electric Distribution Company territories where the assigned customers are located.

The assignment will take effect on or about July 19, 2018, and Astral will begin serving NCE's Pennsylvania customers at that time. After the assignment, NCE will have no customers in Pennsylvania. NCE will remain in active operation to serve its load at least until such time as all customers are transitioned to Astral, and thereafter will determine whether it will continue to operate in Pennsylvania. As such, this letter should not be considered a notice of cessation pursuant to 52 Pa. Code § 54.41. Any such filing will be separately made by NCE if and when appropriate.

The assignment transaction will be seamless for customers. Astral will assume NCE's contracts as they stand. Accordingly, customers will experience no change in terms or conditions for the duration of their contracts. NCE does not apply fees for customers who leave prior to the end of their contract, and Astral will honor this provision as well.

As required by the aforementioned Interim Guidelines, NCE and Astral have sent the enclosed materials to customers to notify them of the upcoming transition of their accounts. The materials

include a joint letter to customers from NCE and Astral, and a timeline of what customers can expect to happen next.

NCE and Astral customer service agents have been trained to talk to customers as the transition occurs, and to explain what the transition means for the customers. NCE and Astral are confident that this assignment transaction will be seamless for customers.

Both NCE and Astral are compliant with their Alternative Energy Portfolio Standards obligations and compliant with all Commission assessments. Enclosed herewith are **Confidential** copies of Astral and NCE's Quarterly Reports of Gross Receipts for the last four quarters. Astral and NCE respectfully request that these reports be filed under seal, because they contain confidential business and financial information about the company's that could cause competitive harm if publicly disclosed.

Copies of this filing are being served in accordance with that attached Certificate of Service. The companies respectfully request that the Commission note the transaction, and the companies will continue to notify the Commission of any changes. In the meantime, please contact the undersigned with any questions or concerns.

Respectfully submitted,

James Holmquist CEO National Choice Energy, LLC 4775 S. Durango Dr., Suite 105 Las Vegas NV 89147 jim@coremarkince.com (702)425-4545

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Ashton Fox Chief Operating Officer Astral Energy, LLC 580 Sylvan Ave, Suite 2J Englewood Cliffs, NJ 07632 <u>AshtonFox@astralenergyllc.com</u> (201) 408- 5461

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Utility Acct No.: «LDC\_Acct\_»

«Name» «Address\_1» «Address\_2»

Dear Customer,

While it has been a privilege to supply your electricity, I am writing to inform you that National Choice Energy, LLC will no longer be providing your electricity supply service after July 19, 2018. National Choice Energy has entered into an agreement with Astral Energy, LLC under which National Choice Energy's Pennsylvania customer contracts will be assigned to Astral Energy.

Astral Energy will take over your service contract and will continue to honor National Choice Energy's terms and conditions for your electricity supply service. The transfer of your service to Astral Energy does not require you to do anything – it will take place seamlessly and without any disruption in service. Your utility will continue to read your meter, issue your bill, and respond to emergencies and outages.

Astral Energy, LLC is an established electricity generation supplier that is licensed by the Pennsylvania Public Utility Commission to provide electricity supply service to Pennsylvania customers. More information about Astral Energy, including its contact information, is enclosed with this letter. Should you have any questions or concerns about this transition, you can contact National Choice Energy at 888-300-1709 or Astral Energy at (888) 850-1872. Thank you again for the opportunity to have served you.

**Brian Rose** 

President National Choice Energy

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#### PA PUC License No. A-2014-2439632

Dear Customer -

All of us at Astral Energy, LLC are excited about the opportunity to become your electricity supplier. Together with the staff at National Choice Energy, we are committed to providing a smooth transition for you. Astral Energy has been serving customers as a licensed Electric Generation Supplier in Pennsylvania since 2015. Our goal is to provide our customers with excellent value and customer service.

We will continue to honor the terms and conditions of your National Choice Energy contract. The enclosed Transition Schedule provides more details about the transition. If you have any questions about Astral Energy or the transition, please call our customer service center at (888) 850-1872 between the hours of 10 a.m. and 6 p.m. weekdays or write to us at: Astral Energy, LLC, Attn: Customer Service, 580 Sylvan Ave Suite 2J, Englewood Cliffs NJ 07632. You may also visit our website at <u>www.astralenergyllc.com</u> to learn more about our company.

We look forward to serving you for many years to come.

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Ashton Fox, Chief Operating Officer Astral Energy, LLC

## **IMPORTANT NOTICE**

#### **TRANSITION SCHEDULE**

We at Astral Energy are pleased to have you as a customer. Here is more information about the transition process:

- National Choice Energy and Astral Energy have provided notice of the assignment to the Pennsylvania Public Utility Commission.
- The assignment of customer contracts from National Choice Energy to Astral Energy will become effective on July 19, 2018.
- Astral Energy will be notifying your Electric Distribution Company that we will become your new electricity supplier.
- Your Electric Distribution Company will continue to read your meter, issue your bill, and respond to emergencies and outages.
- National Choice Energy will continue to supply your electricity until approximately July 19, 2018. Astral Energy, LLC will begin supplying your electricity the following day, without any interruption.
- The bill you receive from your Electric Distribution Company will reflect National Energy Choice's charges to you up until their last date of service to you, and then will reflect Astral Energy's charges to you starting with its first date of service you.
- Going forward, your electricity bill will reflect Astral Energy as your electricity supplier, and will show Astral Energy's charges for your electricity supply.
- Your enrollment with Astral Energy will remain in effect until cancelled either by you or by Astral Energy.

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## **CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

I certify that a true and correct copy of the foregoing Notice was served upon the

following by First Class U.S. Mail, postage prepaid on June 18, 2018.

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Office of Consumer Advocate	Office of the Attorney General
5th Floor, Forum Place	Bureau of Consumer Protection
555 Walnut Street	Strawberry Square, 14th Floor
Harrisburg, PA 17120	Harrisburg, PA 17120
Small Business Advocate	Commonwealth of Pennsylvania
Commerce Building, Suite 202	Department of Revenue
300 North Second Street	Bureau of Compliance
Harrisburg, PA 17101	Harrisburg, PA 17128-0946
Bureau of Investigation & Enforcement	Manager Energy Acquisition
Pennsylvania Public Utility Commission	PECO Energy Company
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	Philadelphia, PA 19101-8699
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Legal Department	Legal Department
West Penn Power d/b/a Allegheny Power	Attn: Kimberly A. Klock
800 Cabin Hill Drive	PPL
Greensburg, PA 15601-1689	Two North Ninth Street
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Regulatory Affairs	Director of Customer Energy Services
Duquesne Light Company	Orange and Rockland Company
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Pittsburgh, PA 15219	Spring Valley, NY 10977-5300
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Lewisburg, PA 17837	Post Office Box 12677
	Reading, Pa 19612-2677
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