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**VIA ELECTRONIC FILING**

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

RE: Jeffrey W. Arndt v. Duquesne Light Company  
Docket No. C-2018-3003482

Dear Secretary Chiavetta:

Enclosed for filing is my written response in the above referenced proceeding, is response to Duquesne Light's First Motion for Prehearing conference directed to Complainant as requested in the above-referenced proceeding. Copies will be provided as indicated on the Certificate of Service.

Respectfully Submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Jeffrey W. Arndt', written in a cursive style.

Jeffrey W. Arndt

## **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).

**Via Email**

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BEFORE THE  
PENNSYLVANIA PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION

JEFFREY W. ARNDT,	:	
	:	
Complainant,	:	
	:	
vs.	:	No: C-2018-3003482
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DUQUESNE LIGHT COMPANY,	:	
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Respondent.	:	

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**Motion for Prehearing Conference of Jeffrey W. Arndt**

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Claimant contends that a genuine dispute does exist, is entitled to submittal of this evidence by means of an evidentiary hearing and this material be formally and individually considered as part of my right to due process.

I set forth the following material facts as evidence that support of a motion for pre hearing conference is inappropriate and the moving party is not entitled to a decision in its favor.

1. The motion that Duquesne Light Company has filed to the court without any offer to confer, prior to the filing of this motion is a direct interference to due process. (reference Interim Order stating that any Party may request a pre hearing conference in writing after conferring with opposing Party requesting consent to the scheduling of such conference.)

2. They are asserting that I am preventing them from being in "keeping with the law", operating within or by codes and/or installment procurement plans, when in fact there is

much more responsibility due by Duquesne Light Company than abiding by one aspect of Law or Laws of which they are using to substantiate their arguments.

There are additional governing factors and finer points that apply to this circumstance that must be considered and allowed to be offered in greater detail as evidence in behalf of. Smart meters are an infringement on homeowners' property and person and a violation of the mission statement of the Pa PUC which states "protects the public interest; educates consumers to make independent..... utility choices."

"When injustice becomes law, resistance becomes duty."

~ Thomas Jefferson.

3. A pre hearing conference is a reasonable protection offered to the defendants' rights, but this compensation of granting a pre hearing conference is commonly practiced because of the enormous powers that can be used and invariably placed at the disposal of a prosecuting party, thereby equalizing the stage. In the case of Pro se litigants such as myself, I am limited in ability to draw upon any legal advantages. Time constraints, being this is neither my career, nor do I have the human resources to draw upon that which Duquesne Light Company attorneys have available to them. That puts me at an automatic disadvantage. I refer to the mission statement of the Pa PUC where it states, "The Pennsylvania Public Utility Commission balances the needs of consumers and utilities".

4. I contend that proceeding with the schedule referenced to by Duquesne Light Company in the Motion is more of a waste of time than not. Preparing for these multiple proceedings is a repeated drain on my time, in no way avoids wasteful pretrial activities and is an undue burden on my resources and time. I desire the ability to state my version of the facts and the legal theory under which my case is brought.

5. Duquesne Light Company's ability to facilitate a settlement of the issue of meter placement through arbitration does not address the collective concerns I have about its' installation. Nor does it address or relieve me of the financial burden in doing so.

# VERIFICATION

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## Answers and Responses to Discovery Requests of Jeffrey W. Arndt

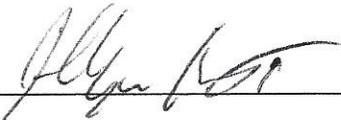
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Jeffrey W. Arndt v. Duquesne Light Company  
Docket No. C-2018-3003432

I, Jeffrey W. Arndt, 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).

Date:

10/05/2018



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Jeffrey W. Arndt