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**VIA ELECTRONIC FILING**

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

**Re: Robert Redinger, Jr. v. West Penn Power Company**  
**Docket No. C-2018-3000938**

Dear Secretary Chiavetta:

On October 10, 2019, West Penn Power Company (“West Penn”) was served with notice of the filing of exceptions by the Complainant in the above-referenced proceeding. In response, West Penn offers this letter as its brief reply to exceptions. Mr. Redinger simply states as his exceptions that he “objects” to the Initial Decision rendered by Administrative Law Judge Jeffrey A. Watson and states that he did not have an opportunity to “present any information” regarding his complaint, seemingly as a reason why his case should not be dismissed, rather than filing an exception to a specific finding of fact or conclusion of law.

What Mr. Redinger fails to acknowledge is that, despite an order compelling his replies to the discovery requests issued by West Penn, he has yet to provide any responses whatsoever to the discovery requests. Furthermore, Mr. Redinger never identified whether he would be presenting witnesses in this proceeding nor did he file a status report, despite an order from the presiding officer directing him to do both. His only responses to West Penn’s Motions to Compel or Dismiss this matter were short statements wherein he objected to West Penn’s discovery and alleged that he would present his evidence and witnesses at hearing “and not before” in direct contradiction to multiple interim orders issued by the presiding officer.

Overall, Mr. Redinger’s unwillingness to actively participate in the proceeding that he himself initiated impairs West Penn’s ability to effectively defend itself against his claims and against any testimony he would have presented in this matter, and thus its due process rights would

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be in jeopardy should Mr. Redinger's case be permitted to move forward given his repeated disregard for the presiding officer's orders. For these reasons, the Initial Decision should be approved and Mr. Redinger's case should be dismissed, with prejudice.

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Please contact me if you have any questions regarding this matter.

Very truly yours,

  
Tori L. Giesler

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**BEFORE THE  
PENNSYLVANIA PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION**

**ROBERT REDINGER, JR.**

**V.**

**WEST PENN POWER COMPANY**

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**CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

I hereby certify that I have this day served a true copy of this document of West Penn Power Company upon the individuals listed below, in accordance with the requirements of 52 Pa. Code § 1.54 (relating to service by a participant).

Service by First Class Mail, postage prepaid, as follows:

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