**BEFORE THE**

**PENNSYLVANIA PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION**

Application of Transource Pennsylvania, LLC :

for approval of the Siting and Construction of the : A-2017-2640195

230 kV Transmission Line Associated with the : A-2017-2640200

Independence Energy Connection - East and West Projects :

in portions of York and Franklin Counties, Pennsylvania. :

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Petition of Transource Pennsylvania, LLC :

for a finding that a building to shelter control equipment :

at the Rice Substation in Franklin County, Pennsylvania : P-2018-3001878

is reasonably necessary for the convenience or welfare of :

the public. :

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Petition of Transource Pennsylvania, LLC :

for a finding that a building to shelter control equipment :

at the Furnace Run Substation in York County, : P-2018-3001883

Pennsylvania is reasonably necessary for the convenience :

or welfare of the public. :

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Application of Transource Pennsylvania, LLC :

for approval to acquire a certain portion of the lands of :

various landowners in York and Franklin Counties, :

Pennsylvania for the siting and construction of the 230 Kv : A-2018-3001881,

Transmission Line associated with the Independence Energy : *et al.*

Connection – East and West Projects as necessary or proper :

for the service, accommodation, convenience or safety of :

the public. :

**TWELFTH PREHEARING ORDER**

 The Parties to this consolidated proceeding recently advised us that a Settlement had been reached with regard to the East Project in York County, Pennsylvania at Docket No. A-2017-2640195. On October 17, 2019, Joint Partial Settlements were filed with the Commission between the following Parties – 1) Transource and the York County Planning Commission; 2) Transource and Citizens to Stop Transource York County, Maple Lawn Farms, Barron Shaw and Shaw Orchards; and 3) Transource and PPL Electric Utilities Corporation.

 Due to the Settlement of the East Portion of these consolidated proceedings, we scheduled a Prehearing Conference for Monday, October 28, 2019 in order to obtain further details of the Settlement and to check the status of the ongoing litigation for the West Project portion of this consolidated proceeding.

 The Prehearing Conference was held as scheduled on October 28, 2019. In attendance were the following participants:

 1) Transource

 2) OCA

 3) Stop Transource Franklin County

 4) Citizens to Stop Transource York County

 5) PPL Electric Utilities Corporation

 6) York County Planning Commission

 7) PECO Energy Company

 8) Allen Rice

 9) Lori Rice

 10) Roy Cordell

 11) Karen Benedict

 12) Rodney Myer

 13) Leonard Kauffman

 14) Michael Cordell

 15) Aaron Kauffman

 16) Allan Stine

 17) Colt Martin

 18) Kristyn Martin

 19) Janet Holland

 20) Clint Barkdoll, Owl’s Inc.

 21) Patrice Nitterhouse

 22) Fred Byers

 23) Darwin Benedict

 24) Mark Stanisz

 During the Prehearing Conference, the Parties advised that, although a Settlement had been reached for the East Project, Transource PA intends to file various documents with the Commission, including, without limitation, Joint or Amended Application(s) and related filings. There may be a Joint Application filed between PPL Electric Utilities Corporation (PPL) and Transource PA siting part of the Eastern route on an expanded PPL transmission line right-of-way. The Amended Application(s) are required to be published in the *Pennsylvania Bulletin*, and the public will have an opportunity to respond via comment and/or protest to any Joint or Amended Application(s). Some of the Parties also advised that there might be a need to conduct additional discovery once the content of the Amended Application(s) are made available, and that there may be a need to submit additional pre-served testimony regarding any Amended Application(s). Transource PA anticipates filing the Joint or Amended Application(s) at the end of 2019 or beginning of 2020.

 Regarding the West Project, at this time there is no full settlement. Accordingly, additional hearings will likely be held in the future but not before the filing of a Joint or Amended Application(s) anticipated at the end of the year, and an opportunity for protestors/intervenors to intervene and comment at a prehearing conference to be scheduled in 2020. In the meantime, we request status reports from the parties in January 2020.

Finally, OCA requested to move into the record additional written testimony of its Witness Peter J. Lanzalotta, who is retiring before the anticipated further hearing. As long as Mr. Lanzalotta signs a verification attached to his testimony, A Joint Stipulation for Admission of Evidence with Mr. Lanzalotta’s testimony may be filed and will be admitted into the record.

This Twelfth Prehearing Order sets forth that particular requirement and addresses ongoing procedural matters.

ORDER

 THEREFORE,

 IT IS ORDERED:

1. That a Joint Stipulation for Admission of Evidence with Peter Lanzalotta’s testimony may be filed for admission into the record.
2. That, on or prior to January 31, 2020, the parties shall submit Status Reports to the Presiding Officers, including in the Reports the following information:

 a) The status of the Joint/Amended Application(s) for the East Project;

 b) The need, if any, to conduct additional discovery for the East Project, including an estimate of the types of discovery and the timing to complete such discovery;

 c) The status of settlement discussion for the West Project;

 d) The need, if any, to conduct additional evidentiary hearings on the reliability issues, including a proposed date or dates for any such hearings.

 e) Any other procedural issues that the Parties need to address.

1. That, upon receipt of the Status Report, the Presiding Officers shall schedule a further Prehearing Conference to finalize the procedural scheduling in this proceeding.

Date: November 7, 2019 /s/

 Elizabeth H. Barnes

 Administrative Law Judge

 /s/

 Andrew M. Calvelli

 Administrative Law Judge

**A-2017-2640195 & A-2017-2640200 ET AL- APPLICATION OF TRANSOURCE PENNSLYVANIA, LLC. FOR APPROVAL OF THE SITING AND CONSTRUCTION OF THE 230KV TRANSMISSION LINE ASSOCIATED WITH THE INDEPENDENCE ENERGY CONNECTION-EAST & WEST PROJECTS IN PORTIONS OF YORK & FRANKLIN COUNTIES.**

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