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Rosemary Chiavetta, Secretary
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**Re: PECO Energy Company's 2016-2018 Universal Service and Energy
Conservation Plan
Docket No. M-2015-2507139**

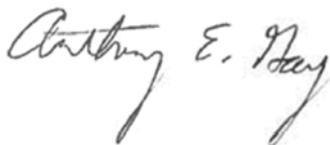
**Re: Petition of PECO Energy Company for Expedited Approval to Establish a
COVID-19 Emergency Grant Program for Low-Income Customers,
Docket No. P-2021-3024799**

Dear Secretary Chiavetta:

Enclosed for filing in the above-captioned proceedings is the **Petition of PECO Energy Company for Leave to Withdraw the Company's March 23, 2021 Petition to Establish a COVID-19 Emergency Grant Program for Low-Income Customers** ("Petition"). As evidenced by the enclosed Certificate of Service, copies of the Petition are being served upon all parties of record to the above referenced dockets and in the Company's pending electric distribution base rate proceeding at Docket No. R-2021-3024601.

If you have any questions, please contact me directly at 215.841.4635.

Very truly yours,



Anthony E. Gay

Enclosures

c: Per Certificate of Service (w/encls.)

**BEFORE THE
PENNSYLVANIA PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION**

PECO ENERGY COMPANY’S 2016- 2018 UNIVERSAL SERVICE AND ENERGY CONSERVATION PLAN	:	:	DOCKET NO. M-2015-2507139
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PETITION OF PECO ENERGY COMPANY FOR EXPEDITED APPROVAL TO ESTABLISH A COVID- 19 EMERGENCY GRANT PROGRAM FOR LOW-INCOME CUSTOMERS	:	:	DOCKET NO. P-2021-3024799
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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify and affirm that I have this day served a true and correct copy of the **Petition of PECO Energy Company for Leave to Withdraw the Company’s March 23, 2021 Petition to Establish a COVID-19 Emergency Grant Program for Low-Income Customers** on the following persons, in the manner specified below, in accordance with the requirements of 52 Pa. Code Section 1.54:

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**PECO ENERGY COMPANY’S 2016- :
2018 UNIVERSAL SERVICE AND : DOCKET NO. M-2015-2507139
ENERGY CONSERVATION PLAN :**

**PETITION OF PECO ENERGY :
COMPANY FOR EXPEDITED :
APPROVAL TO ESTABLISH A : DOCKET NO. P-2021-3024799
COVID-19 EMERGENCY GRANT :
PROGRAM FOR LOW-INCOME :
CUSTOMERS :**

**PETITION OF PECO ENERGY COMPANY FOR LEAVE TO WITHDRAW THE
COMPANY’S MARCH 23, 2021 PETITION TO ESTABLISH A COVID-19
EMERGENCY GRANT PROGRAM FOR LOW-INCOME CUSTOMERS**

PECO Energy Company (“PECO” or the “Company”), pursuant to 52 Pa. Code § 1.82, hereby petitions the Pennsylvania Public Utility Commission (the “Commission”) for leave to withdraw the Company’s uncontested March 23, 2021 Petition to establish a COVID-19 emergency grant program for low-income customers (the “COVID-19 Petition”).

As explained below, the Company is seeking to withdraw the COVID-19 Petition pursuant to the provisions of a comprehensive settlement of PECO’s pending electric distribution base rate proceeding (the “Joint Petition for Settlement”) filed with the Commission on September 15, 2021, at Docket No. R-2021-3024601.

I. BACKGROUND

1. On March 23, 2021, PECO filed the COVID-19 Petition which sought Commission approval to provide emergency grants to qualifying low-income customers utilizing unspent 2020 funds from PECO’s Low Income Usage Reduction Program (“LIURP”).

2. In the COVID-19 Petition, PECO explained that it had been authorized to represent that its proposal was supported by the Office of Consumer Advocate (“OCA”) and was not opposed by the Coalition for Affordable Utility Services and Energy Efficiency in Pennsylvania (“CAUSE-PA”).

3. On March 31, 2021, CAUSE-PA filed an Answer supporting the COVID-19 Petition.

4. On April 12, 2021, the Tenant Union Representation Network (“TURN”) filed a letter stating that it did not oppose the COVID-19 Petition.

5. On July 12, 2021, PECO submitted responses to Commission data requests regarding the COVID-19 Petition.

6. To date, no filings have been made to contest the COVID-19 Petition.

II. THE JOINT PETITION FOR SETTLEMENT

7. On September 15, 2021, PECO filed the Joint Petition for Settlement in its electric distribution base rate proceeding at Docket No. R-2021-3024601. The OCA, CAUSE-PA and TURN, who support or do not oppose the COVID-19 Petition, are among the parties who executed the Joint Petition for Settlement. The Joint Petition for Settlement is now pending before Administrative Law Judge Marta Guhl.

8. Paragraph 33 of the Joint Petition for Settlement provides as follows:

Within 30 days after the date of filing the Joint Petition, PECO will file a Petition to Withdraw its March 23, 2021 Petition for Expedited Approval to Establish a COVID-19 Emergency Grant Program for Low Income Customers, filed at Docket Number M-2015-2507139. The Joint Petitioners agree to either join, support, or not oppose PECO’s Petition to Withdraw pursuant to this provision.”

9. The Joint Petition includes several provisions that address unspent LIURP funds. Those provisions include allocation of unspent 2020 LIURP funds to provide emergency grant assistance to customers through PECO's Matching Energy Assistance Fund ("MEAF"). *See* Joint Petition for Settlement, ¶¶31-34.

10. In compliance with the Joint Petition for Settlement, PECO is submitting this Petition and requests Commission approval to withdraw the COVID-19 Petition.

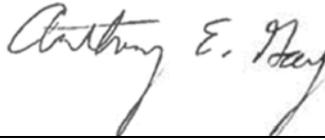
III. NOTICE

11. PECO is serving copies of this filing on the OCA, CAUSE-PA, TURN and all other parties to the Company's electric base rate proceeding at No. R-2021-3024601.

IV. CONCLUSION

Based upon the foregoing, PECO respectfully requests that the Commission grant this Petition to Withdraw.

Respectfully submitted,



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VERIFICATION

I, Richard G. Webster, Jr., hereby declare that I am the Vice President of Regulatory Policy and Strategy for PECO Energy Company; that, as such, I am authorized to make this verification on its behalf; that the facts set forth in the foregoing Petition are true and correct to the best of my knowledge, information and belief; and that I make this verification subject to the penalties of 18 Pa.C.S. § 4904 pertaining to false statements to authorities.

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "R.G.W.", with a horizontal line extending to the right.

Dated: September 17, 2021

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