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**RE: PECO 2019-2028 Universal Service and Energy Conservation Plan
Docket No. M-2018-3005795**

Overview

On November 10, 2022, PECO Energy Company (PECO) filed and served a Petition (November 2022 Petition) with the Pennsylvania Public Utility Commission (Commission) with a revised 2019-2028 Universal Service and Energy Conservation Plan (Revised 2019 USECP)¹ clarifying that income-eligible residential natural gas non-heating customers are eligible for its Customer Assistance Program (CAP). The Commission has received no filings opposing the November 2022 Petition. This Secretarial Letter approves the November 2022 Petition and the Revised 2019 USECP.

Background

On June 16, 2022, the Commission entered an Order (June 2022 Order) approving PECO's 2019 USECP at Docket No. M-2018-3005795. On July 18, 2022, PECO filed clean and redlined versions of its Revised 2019 USECP. On August 9, the Commission issued a Secretarial Letter identifying additional revisions needed to comply with the June 16 Order. On August 18, 2022, PECO submitted a further Revised 2019 USECP. On August 23, 2022, the Commission issued a Secretarial Letter stating that PECO's further Revised 2019 USECP complied with the June 2022 Order. On November 10, 2022, PECO filed its November 2022 Petition. There were no answers to the November 2022 Petition.

Proposed Revisions to 2019 USECP

In its November 2022 Petition, PECO proposes to revise its 2019 USECP to clarify that residential natural gas and electric customers are eligible for the CAP program, regardless of the heating source, if they meet other eligibility criteria. Specifically, PECO proposes to:

- Add language to the CAP eligibility criteria that states that a customer may be a residential heating or non-heating customer, and

¹ The November 2022 Petition included clean and red-lined versions of the Revised 2019 USECP. All citations to the Revised 2019 USECP refer to the clean version.

- Modify the language on the CAP Monthly Minimum Bill Amount table to reflect a minimum required payment for “gas,” instead of “gas heat.”
- Add language to the CAP eligibility criteria that states that a customer may be a residential heating or non-heating customer.

November 2022 Petition at ¶9-11, Revised 2019 USECP at 4-5.

PECO reports it shared its proposed revisions to the 2019 USECP with the Office of Consumer Advocates (OCA), the Tenant Union Representation Network (TURN), and the Coalition for Affordable Utility Services and Energy Efficiency in Pennsylvania (CAUSE-PA). PECO reports that TURN and CAUSE-PA support the revisions and that OCA is not opposed. November 2022 Petition at ¶2.

Analysis

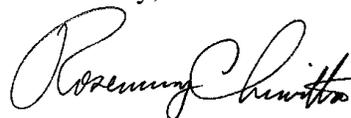
We note that PECO’s proposed revisions to its 2019 USECP seek to clarify existing policy (*i.e.*, that PECO’s CAP is available to non-heating natural gas customers). These changes do not impact the existing policies and procedures of its CAP or its projected program enrollments, budget expenses, or ratepayer-recovered costs for the duration of its 2019 USECP. Therefore, the Commission has no opposition to the proposed revisions.

Conclusion

We find PECO’s proposed clarifying revisions to its approved 2019 USECP to be reasonable as well as reflective of PECO’s actual practice. Accordingly, PECO’s November 2022 Petition is approved.

If you have any questions, please contact Norma Bowman in the Commission’s Bureau of Consumer Services at nobowman@pa.gov.

Sincerely,



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