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April 20, 2023

Ms. Rosemary Chiavetta Secretary for the PUC Pennsylvania Public Utility Commission North Office Building P.O. Box 3265 Harrisburg, PA 17105-3265

Re: Docket Number: M-00031715F0004

Dear Ms. Chiavetta:

On behalf of Michael Kane, President of the Community Foundation for the Alleghenies, and Kevin Murphy, President of Berks County Community Foundation, I am submitting the name of Kelli Volkomer to serve on the Advisory Board of the Metropolitan Edison Company/Pennsylvania Electric Company Sustainable Energy Fund. Ms. Volkomer currently holds the position of Natural Gas Scheduler & Cash Trader at Shipley Energy. After several interviews and meetings, we believe she has a variety of experience relevant to the advisement of the fund, specifically in relation to natural resources and energy suppliers. Ms. Volkomer will represent the Electricity Supplier position on the Advisory Board.

On April 18, 2023, the Metropolitan Edison Company/Pennsylvania Electric Company Sustainable Energy Fund Advisory Board unanimously approved Ms. Volkomer's nomination. This position was advertised through a variety of sources, including the fund website and on the PUC's website. The Advisory Board respectively requests that the Pennsylvania Public Utility Commission approve the appointment of Kelli Volkomer to the Metropolitan Edison Company/Pennsylvania Electric Company Sustainable Energy Advisory Fund Board.

Sincerely,

Angie Berzonski

Associate Director

cc: David Edinger, PUC Mike Kane, Community Foundation for the Alleghenies Kevin Murphy, Berks County Community Foundation Emily Smedley, Berks County Community Foundation Davitt Woodwell, Pennsylvania Environmental Council



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Kelli Volkomer

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I possess a passion for sustainability. My education blended with my professional experiences provides me with an understanding of our current energy realities along with a desire to aid in the energy transition.

Skills

- Highly proficient computer skills, including Microsoft Excel, Word & Outlook
- Excellent written, oral, and interpersonal communication
- Works well independently and as part of a team
- Relationship building
- Self-starter
- Adaptable

- Ability to multi-task while managing highly detailed information
- Knowledge and understanding of accounting principles
- Acts with a sense of urgency
- Conflict resolution
- Problem Solving
- Critical thinking

Experience

JULY 2018 – PRESENT Natural Gas Scheduler & Cash Trader Shipley Energy; York, Pennsylvania

Responsibilities:

Procurement - purchase of natural gas supply; management of storage and customer imbalances

Optimization of Company Assets – identify opportunities for arbitrage; evaluate the profitability of capacity release; determine hedging strategies

Scheduling – accurately schedule city gate and pipeline natural gas by prescribed deadlines; minimize costs and avoid penalties; participation in on-call rotation

Risk Management – provide accurate position reports to traders, management, and finance; provide month-end reconciliation costs; complete quarterly supply plan reviews for the upcoming season; recommend hedge strategies to the management team; stay informed about regulatory action in the natural gas and electricity industries

Research, Development, and Expansion – research and identify opportunities to grow and expand within current and new utilities and pipelines; add and maintain relationships with pipelines, utilities, suppliers, and customers

Customer Engagement – provide consistent, quality service to all customers; assists commercial sales and retention teams with the acquisition and maintenance of large accounts

Accomplishments:

Lead a successful expansion into Columbia Gas of Ohio utility in 2021, which included initial research and analysis, filing all necessary paperwork, setting up relevant pipelines, creating spreadsheets, and building relationships to procure necessary supplies. Currently, manage the day-to-day operations and storage required by the utility.

Advocated for low-carbon natural gas product options for our customers. Launched our Carbon Neutral Natural Gas product in April 2021. Manage the purchasing of offsets and tracking of emissions from customer consumption. Working to expand this area to include additional low-carbon or carbon-free options.

Currently involved in the development of a company-wide sustainability plan.

Education

DECEMBER 2017

Bachelor of Science in Energy and Sustainability Policy Pennsylvania State University

Cumulative GPA: 3.98

Capstone Project: Analyzing transportation sector GHG emissions inventories for the Borough of State College, PA to provide comparisons and suggest best practices of methodology for future emissions inventories. Earned 1st place for outstanding poster and 2nd place for greatest impact in the Sustainability Institute's 2017 Fall Campus & Community Expo.

Achievements:

Graduated Summa Cum Lauda

Penn State Pi Delta Chi Chapter of the Alpha Sigma Lambda National Honor Society

Full Scholarship to Attend Energypath 2015 Conference & Expo – Including Solar Photovoltaic Energy Pre-Conference Workshop

Director of Membership, Blue and White Society, 2015-2016

2015

Study Abroad: Alternative Energy Technologies, Switzerland Delaware Technical Community College

2 courses + 12-day travel experience abroad

Travel blog: kgswissnrg.weebly.com

Kelli Volkomer graduated from Penn State in 2017 with a Bachelor of Science in Energy and Sustainability Policy. In 2018, she began working for Shipley Energy, where she currently holds the position of Natural Gas Scheduler & Cash Trader. In this role Kelli advocates for the expansion of green energy offerings to all electricity and natural gas customers. In April 2021, she helped launch the Carbon Neutral Natural Gas pilot program. She continues to work towards expanding this program to other low-carbon or carbon-free options. Kelli is also involved with the development of Shipley Energy's sustainability plan. She plans to continue her education in sustainability by pursuing a master's degree in the spring. In her free time, Kelli enjoys running, crocheting, and playing with her golden retriever, Lumen.

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