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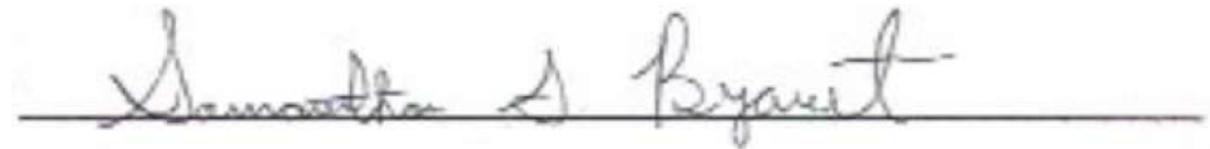
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**Re: Docket No. C-2021-3028302**  
**Samantha Bryant v. Metropolitan Edison Company and MID-ATLANTIC INTERSTATE : TRANSMISSION, LLC :**  
**EXCEPTIONS of Complainant Samantha Bryant to the INITIAL DECISION**

Dear Secretary Chiavetta:

Attached for filing is the Exception of Complainant, Samantha Bryant in the above referenced proceeding as well as the Certificate of Service.

Very Truly Yours,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "Samantha A. Bryant", is written over a solid horizontal line.

**Samantha Bryant**

Cc: The Hon. Mark A. Hoyer  
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Samantha Bryant v. Metropolitan Edison Company MID-ATLANTIC  
INTERSTATE :  
TRANSMISSION, LLC :

EXCEPTIONS of Complainant Samantha Bryant to the INITIAL DECISION

**CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

I hereby certify that a true and correct copy of the foregoing document has been served upon the following person(s), in the manner indicated, in accordance with the requirements.

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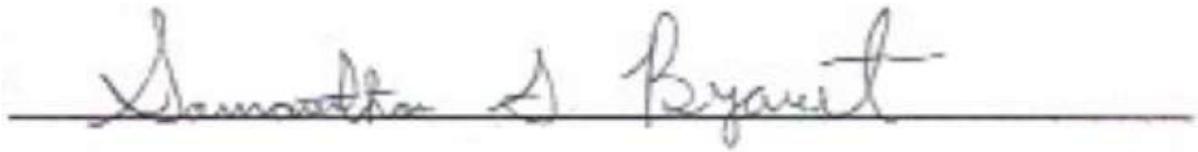
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If there are any questions, please contact me.

Thank you,



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List of pertinent proceedings that have been consolidated noted below:

C-2021-3028186- DEBORA CONNELL v. METROPOLITAN EDISON COMPANY & MID-ATLANTIC INTERSTATE TRANSMISSION, LLC

C-2021-3028464-TRACY AND JILL TROUTMAN V. METROPOLITAN EDISON COMPANY & MID-ATLANTIC INTERSTATE TRANSMISSION, LLC

C-2021-3028278-REBECCA WALIZER V. METROPOLITAN EDISON COMPANY & MID-ATLANTIC INTERSTATE TRANSMISSION, LLC

C-2021-3028416- NEAL WALMER v. METROPOLITAN EDISON COMPANY & MID ATLANTIC INTERSTATE TRANSMISSION, LLC

C-2021-3028211 - MICHAEL AND MARGARET MARINO v. METROPOLITAN EDISON & MID-ATLANTIC INTERSTATE TRANSMISSION, LLC

C-2021-3028346- STANLEY & EILEEN KRASINSKI v. METROPOLITAN EDISON COMPANY & MID-ATLANTIC INTERSTATE TRANSMISSION, LLC

C-2021-3028286-MICHAEL FLORIO v. METROPOLITAN EDISON COMPANY & MID-ATLANTIC INTERSTATE TRANSMISSION, LLC

C-2021-3028283-SAMANTHA BRYANT v. METROPOLITAN EDISON COMPANY & MID-ATLANTIC INTERSTATE TRANSMISSION, LLC

C-2021-3028314-MICHAEL KRAMER v. METROPOLITAN EDISON COMPANY & MID-ATLANTIC INTERSTATE TRANSMISSION, LLC

C-2021-3028414 -ANDREW S. FREIBERG v. METROPOLITAN EDISON COMPANY & MID-ATLANTIC INTERSTATE TRANSMISSION, LLC

C-2021-3028418-KAREN AND MICHAEL FEDASH v. METROPOLITAN EDISON COMPANY & MID- ATLANTIC INTERSTATE TRANSMISSION, LLC

C-2021-3030530-GREGORY BAIR v. METROPOLITAN EDISON COMPANY & MID ATLANTIC INTERSTATE TRANSMISSION, LLC

C-2021-3028302-PINGQI DAI v. METROPOLITAN EDISON COMPANY

C-2021-3028348-COREY & BETTY RIGBERG v. METROPOLITAN EDISON COMPANY

C-2021-3028627-PATRICIALANE V. METROPOLITAN EDISON COMPANY *Updated 06/01/22*

**BEFORE THE  
PENNSYLVANIA PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION**

Samantha Bryant :

Complainant :

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v. : C-2021-3028283 :

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Metropolitan Edison Company MID-ATLANTIC INTERSTATE :  
TRANSMISSION, LLC :

Respondent

EXCEPTIONS of Complainant Samantha Bryant to the INITIAL  
DECISION of the Office of Administrative Law Judge issued on  
June 20, 2023

Dated: July 10, 2023

## I. EXCEPTIONS

After carefully reading the Initial Decision and the First Interim Order posted for our Consolidated Case regarding our Formal Complaints against Metropolitan Edison Company (Met-Ed) and Mid-Atlantic Interstate Transmission, LLC (MAIT), I found the following contradictory points. Here are my Exceptions to the Initial Decision.

### 1. The pole site location

The new wooden pole location on my property moves the pole closer to my home. In the event that a pole would fall, the newer and taller version of the power line poles would touch our home. A guy wire is also scheduled to be placed in the center of our yard where our children play. During our hearings, Ms. Morris said that no one should play near the poles/wires, however she failed to define the word "near."

### 2. Using the PCP treated wooden poles

Our neighborhood relies on well water. The placement of the pole is approximately 65 feet from our well cap. The chemicals that are used to treat the wood are now known toxins and are being phased out, but still being used by MET ED and MAIT.

### 3. The Environmental Impact

The power company stated "open trenching necessary to bury a transmission line causes greater environmental impacts" (page 18 of the Initial Decision). Upgrading the current power lines has happened on both sides of our neighborhood. The wooden roads that are placed on the ground and all the trees and foliage underneath have been dug up and hauled away. Heavy equipment and supplies pile up around the work site as extra trucks run in and out. I'm not sure how to quantify the environmental impacts of this versus underground, but MET ED and MAIT seem to be able to.

### 4. The derivation of The Initial Decision

On Page 4 of the Initial Decision, it said "As detailed in the hearing transcript and January 18, 2023 briefing order, various lines of testimony and exhibits for the Complainants were excluded from the record on hearsay and other grounds".

Our Direct Testimony (DT) with all the facts, accidents caused by the overhead power lines, the regulations/information cited with PCP use, the power company asserts our complainants, “only provide personal opinions, unsubstantiated concerns, speculation, and perceptions regarding the proposed Transmission Line replacement project” (Page 16 of the Initial Decision). The fire on the pole occurred in our backyard while the property was owned by a different family so the information and concerns were considered hearsay and dismissed. This incident is not hearsay and MET ED and MAIT dismiss that accidents like this happen.

## II. CONCLUSION

1. For the reasons set forth above, Complainant Samantha Bryant, respectfully requests that the Commission can grant our request to replace the electric power lines and place them underground for the safety of those living in such close proximity to them.
2. If MET ED and MAIT cannot place the wires underground, replace the poles in kind, leaving them the same height and location, and follow the upcoming EPA standards that do not use toxic chemicals.

Respectfully,  
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