**BEFORE THE**

**PENNSYLVANIA PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION**

Joint Application of Metropolitan Edison : A-2023-3038771, A-2023-3038792,

Company, Pennsylvania Electric Company, : A-2023-3038793, A-2023-3038794,

Pennsylvania Power Company, West Penn : A-2023-3038795, A-2023-3038807,

Power Company, Keystone Appalachian : A-2023-3038808, G-2023-3038818,

Transmission Company, Mid-Atlantic : G-2023-3038819, G-2023-3038820,

Interstate Transmission, LLC, and FirstEnergy : G-2023-3038821, G-00020956

Pennsylvania Electric Company for All of the :

Necessary Approvals and Certificates of Public :

Convenience :

**INTERIM ORDER**

**ADMITTING FILINGS INTO THE RECORD AND CLOSING THE RECORD**

On August 30, 2023, Metropolitan Edison Company (Met-Ed), Pennsylvania Electric Company (Penelec), Pennsylvania Power Company (Penn Power), West Penn Power Company (West Penn), Keystone Appalachian Transmission Company (KATCo), Mid-Atlantic Interstate Transmission, LLC (MAIT) and FirstEnergy Pennsylvania Electric Company (FE PA) (collectively, Joint Applicants); the Office of Consumer Advocate (OCA); the Coalition for Affordable Utility Services and Energy Efficiency in Pennsylvania (CAUSE-PA); the Met-Ed Industrial Users Group (MEIUG), Penelec Industrial Customer Alliance (PICA), and West Penn Power Industrial Intervenors (WPPII) (collectively, Industrial Customer Groups); the Industrial Energy Consumers of Pennsylvania (IECPA); and The Pennsylvania State University (PSU) (collectively, Joint Petitioners) filed a Joint Petition for Approval of Settlement of All Issues (Joint Petition for Settlement) of the Joint Application for All Necessary Approvals and Certificates of Public Convenience (Joint Application) filed by the Joint Applicants in this proceeding on March 6, 2023.

There were ten appendices to the Joint Petition for Settlement: (1) a *pro forma* tariff supplement (Appendix A); (2) proposed findings of Fact (Appendix B); (3) proposed conclusions of law (Appendix C); (4) proposed ordering paragraphs (Appendix D); (5) Joint Applicants’ Statement in Support (Appendix E); (6) OCA’s Statement in Support (Appendix F); (7) CAUSE-PA’s Statement in Support (Appendix (G); (8) Industrial Customer Groups’ Statement in Support (Appendix H); (9) IECPA’s Statement in Support (Appendix I); and (10) PSU’s Statement in Support (Appendix J).

On August 30, 2023, the Commission’s Bureau of Investigation and Enforcement (I&E) filed a letter with the Commission’s Secretary’s Bureau stating it did not oppose the Joint Petition for Settlement (I&E’s Non-Opposition Letter dated August 30, 2023).

On September 28, 2023, the Joint Applicants filed a letter with the Commission’s Secretary’s Bureau clarifying the corporate names of the entities resulting from the merger transactions proposed in the Joint Application (Joint Applicants’ Clarification dated Letter September 28, 2023).

 THEREFORE,

 IT IS ORDERED:

1. That the Joint Petitioners’ Joint Petition for Settlement, together with ten appendices, is admitted into the record.
2. That I&E’s Non-Opposition Letter dated August 30, 2023, is admitted into the record.
3. That the Joint Applicants’ Clarification Letter dated September 28, 2023, is admitted into the record.
4. That the record at Docket No. A-2023-3038771 is hereby closed.

 5. That the Recommended Decision in this case shall be prepared and issued.



Date: October 18, 2023

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Administrative Law Judge

**A-2023-3038771, A-2023-3038793, A-2023-3038794, A-2023-3038795, A-2023-8807, A-2023-3038808, G-2023-3038818, G-2023-3038819, G-2023-3038820, G-2023-8821, G-00020956 - JOINT APPLICATION OF METROPOLITAN EDISON COMPANY, PENNSYLVANIA ELECTRIC COMPANY, PENNSYLVANIA POWER COMPANY, WEST PENN POWER COMPANY, KEYSTONE APPALACHIA TRANSMISSION COMPANY, MID-ATLANTIC INTERSTATE TRANSMISSION, LLC, AND FIRST ENERGY PENNSYLVANIA ELECTRIC COMPANY FOR ALL OF THE NECESSARY APPROVALS AND CERTIFICATES OF PUBLIC CONVENIENCE**

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