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PENNSYLVANIA PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION  
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BUREAU OF  
INVESTIGATION  
&  
ENFORCEMENT

December 4, 2023

***Via Electronic Filing***

Rosemary Chiavetta, Secretary  
Pennsylvania Public Utility Commission  
Commonwealth Keystone Building  
400 North Street  
Harrisburg, PA 17120

Re: Pennsylvania Public Utility Commission,  
Bureau of Investigation and Enforcement v.  
Municipal Authority of Hazle Township  
Docket No. C-2023-3043744  
**I&E Motion for Default Judgment (Damage Prevention)**

Dear Secretary Chiavetta:

Enclosed for electronic filing please find the Bureau of Investigation and Enforcement's Motion for Default Judgment in the above-referenced proceeding. Copies have been served on the parties of record in accordance with the Certificate of Service.

Should you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'G. Rosul', written over a light blue horizontal line.

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Enclosures

cc: Administrative Law Judge John M. Coogan (*via email* – [jcoogan@pa.gov](mailto:jcoogan@pa.gov))  
Per Certificate of Service

**BEFORE THE  
PENNSYLVANIA PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION**

Pennsylvania Public Utility Commission,	:	
Bureau of Investigation and Enforcement,	:	
Complainant	:	
	:	
v.	:	Docket No. C-2023-3043744
	:	
Municipal Authority of Hazle Township,	:	
Respondent	:	

**NOTICE TO PLEAD**

The Bureau of Investigation and Enforcement (“I&E”) of the Pennsylvania Public Utility Commission (“Commission”) has filed a Motion for Default Judgment in the above-captioned matter, pursuant to the Commission’s regulations at 52 Pa. Code § 5.103. You are hereby notified to file a written response within twenty (20) days of the service of the Motion, consistent with 52 Pa. Code § 5.61.

Your Answer must be verified, pursuant to 52 Pa. Code § 1.36, and the original sent to:

Rosemary Chiavetta, Secretary  
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Additionally, you must serve a copy on the undersigned prosecutor.



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**MOTION FOR DEFAULT JUDGMENT**

NOW COMES the Pennsylvania Public Utility Commission’s (“Commission”) Bureau of Investigation and Enforcement (“I&E”), by its prosecuting attorney, and files this Motion for Default Judgment against Municipal Authority of Hazle Township (“Respondent”) pursuant to Section 5.103 of the Commission’s regulations, 52 Pa. Code § 5.103. In support thereof, I&E respectfully represents as follows:

1. I&E commenced this action on October 24, 2023, by filing a Complaint in this Damage Prevention matter.

2. The Complaint alleged that Respondent violated various provisions of the Underground Utility Line Protection Law, known as the PA One Call Law, Act of October 30, 2017, P.L. 806, No. 50, 73 P.S. § 176 *et seq.*

3. On October 24, 2023, the Complaint was served by certified mail on Respondent at 79 Harleigh Blvd., Pardeesville, PA 18202, which is the last known mailing address that Respondent provided to the Commission and which had been used to correspond with Respondent prior to the filing of the Complaint.

4. Attached to the Complaint was a Notice advising Respondent that it must file an Answer within twenty (20) days of service of the Complaint.

5. The Notice also advised Respondent that if it failed to answer the Complaint, I&E would request that the Commission issue an Order imposing the penalty set forth in the Complaint.

6. The twenty (20) days to file an Answer to the Complaint expired on November 13, 2023.

7. Respondent did not file an Answer to the Complaint.

8. Pursuant to Section 5.61(c) of the Commission's regulations, a Respondent who fails to file an Answer to a Complaint within the 20-day response period may be deemed in default, and the relevant facts stated in the Complaint may be deemed admitted. 52 Pa. Code § 5.61(c).

9. The Commonwealth Court has upheld the Commission's authority to sustain complaints that are not answered within twenty days. *See Fusaro v. Pa. Pub. Util. Comm'n*, 382 A.2d 794, 797 (Pa. Cmwlth. 1978).

**WHEREFORE**, for all the foregoing reasons, I&E respectfully requests that the Commission enter a Default Order against Respondent that:

- a. Directs Respondent to pay a cumulative administrative penalty of \$1,500 within thirty (30) days of the entry date of the Commission's Order;
- b. Directs Respondent to attend an education program for facility owners through the Damage Prevention Committee and provide proof of compliance to the Commission; and

- c. Directs the Bureau of Administration, Financial & Assessments Office, to refer the matter to the Pennsylvania Office of Attorney General for collection of the total set forth in subparagraph (a), above, if Respondent fails to pay that total within thirty (30) days of the entry date of the Commission's Order.

Respectfully submitted,

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