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December 20, 2023

VIA ELECTRONIC FILING

Rosemary Chiavetta, Secretary
Pennsylvania Public Utility Commission
Commonwealth Keystone Building
400 North Street, 2nd Floor
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RE: Application of West Penn Power Company, Under Section 507, 1102(a)(1), and 1102(a)(3) of the Public Utility Code, for All of the Necessary Authority, Approvals and Certificates of Public Convenience for: (1) the Acquisition of Certain Electric Distribution Facilities from the Letterkenny Industrial Development Authority; (2) West Penn Power Company's Right to Initiate and Provide Electric Distribution Service in the Portions of Letterkenny, Greene, and Hamilton Townships, Franklin County, Pennsylvania Currently Served by the Letterkenny Industrial Development Authority; and (3) Any Other Approvals Necessary to Complete the Contemplated Transaction
Docket No. A-2023-3043428

Dear Secretary Chiavetta:

Attached for filing with the Pennsylvania Public Utility Commission are letters in support of the above-referenced transaction from the Franklin County Commissioners and the Franklin County Area Development Corporation (FCADC).

As shown by the attached Certificate of Service, all parties to this proceeding are being duly served via email. We can provide parties with a hard copy of this document upon request. Thank you.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads 'Kenneth R. Stark'.

Kenneth R. Stark
MCNEES WALLACE & NURICK LLC

c: Certificate of Service

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that I have this day served a true copy of the foregoing document upon the participants, listed below, in accordance with the requirements of Section 1.54 (service).

VIA EMAIL

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Re: *Application of West Penn Power Co. for Approval of Acquisition of Electric Distribution Facilities from the Letterkenny Industrial Development Authority;*
Docket No. A-2023-3043428

To the Honorable Presiding Administrative Law Judges and Commissioners of the Pennsylvania Public Utility Commission:

As President of the Franklin County Area Development Corporation (FCADC), former founding member of the Letterkenny Industrial Development Authority (LIDA), and the current Chairman of Team Letterkenny (a community-based organization with the stated purpose of supporting the retention and growth of Letterkenny Army Depot), I am writing to express strong my support for the application of West Penn Power company seeking approval from the Public Utility Commission (PUC) to acquire the electric distribution assets of LIDA.

LIDA's mission is to reuse excess portions of the Letterkenny Army Depot, which was downsized as the result of a Base Realignment and Closure (BRAC) action in 1995. The reuse efforts have afforded numerous opportunities to big and small industrial companies from around the globe. Part of the attraction is the ample, reliable, and resilient utility infrastructure that is currently available to more than 45 businesses within the Cumberland Valley Business Park (CVBP) and the US Army. The BRAC 1995 downsizing required LIDA to take ownership responsibilities of the existing US Army utilities. To date, LIDA has done an excellent job of operating and maintaining the infrastructure, however the financial resources required to meet increasing regulations are no longer the best use of LIDA's limited financial resources. Established utility providers are specifically capable of managing the daily and long-term operations of the water, wastewater, railroad, and electric obligations.

Equally important, the Letterkenny Army Depot remains operational on over 18,000 acres of federal property served solely by LIDA electric. The Army is increasingly reliant on the electric infrastructure for mission critical directives and national security. Having an established, well-funded and talented electric service provider is essential for the current and future viability of the US Army. West Penn Power has a proven record of excellent service and support to LIDA and significant portions of Franklin County.

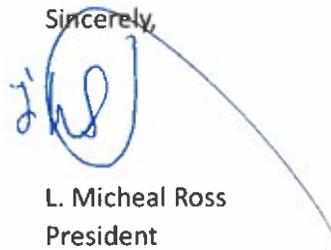
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Because of the reasons listed above, I respectfully request PUC approval of the application of West Penn Power to acquire the electric infrastructure of LIDA. If you have any comments or questions regarding this correspondence, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,



L. Micheal Ross
President

Cc: FCADC Board of Directors
Mr. Kip Feldman, Executive Director, LIDA



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December 18, 2023

Public Utility Commission
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Re: Application of West Penn Power Co. for Approval of Acquisition of Electric Distribution Facilities from the Letterkenny Industrial Development Authority; Docket No. A-2023-3043428

To the Honorable Presiding Administrative Law Judges and Commissioners of the Pennsylvania Public Utility Commission:

On behalf of the Franklin County Commissioners, I am writing to express our strong support for the application of West Penn Power company seeking approval from the Public Utility Commission to acquire the electric distribution assets of the Letterkenny Industrial Development Authority (LIDA).

LIDA is chartered by Franklin County to manage the reuse of the excess property from the Letterkenny Army Depot, which was realigned under the Base Realignment and Closure Act of 1995. The goal of the reuse effort is to privatize the real estate and utility infrastructure that LIDA was required to own and operate as part of the BRAC process.

After over 25 years of successful reuse efforts, the LIDA strategic plan is to assure sustainable infrastructure operations for customers, including the Letterkenny Army Depot. Reliable infrastructure is critical to the citizens, businesses, and military apparatus of Franklin County. As LIDA continues to divest utility functions to well qualified providers, more resources can be appropriated for business opportunities and community benefits.

West Penn Power has a long history of safe, reliable and affordable energy to many parts of Franklin County. This transaction presents a logical extension of the West Penn Power service territory and continued operations.

Sincerely,

FRANKLIN COUNTY COMMISSIONERS


David Keller (Dec 18, 2023 13:06 EST)

Dave S. Keller, Chairman



John T. Flannery


Robert G Ziobrowski (Dec 18, 2023 14:16 EST)

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Franklin County LIDA-WPP Support Letter

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