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Re: [C-2023-3041967] – Response to Philadelphia Gas Works’ Motion for Continuance and Pre-Hearing Conference

Dear Clerk of the Court,

I am writing in response to the motion filed by Philadelphia Gas Works (PGW) to convert the evidentiary hearing scheduled for Thursday, March 7, 2024, into a pre-hearing conference pursuant to 52 PA Code § 5.222.

1. **\*\*Presiding Officer’s Ruling:\*\*** I respectfully disagree with PGW’s request for a continuance. The presiding officer has ruled that I am permitted to represent the complainant, Sonceiray Bowman, in this matter upon presentation of a power of attorney.
2. **\*\*Submission of Power of Attorney:\*\*** In compliance with the court’s interim order issued on November 29, 2023, I have provided a power of attorney document that authorizes me to act on behalf of Sonceiray Bowman.

3. **\*\*Previous Continuances:\*\*** The case has been subject to multiple continuances already, which have provided sufficient time for all parties to prepare. Any further delay would unjustly prejudice the complainant's case.
4. **\*\*Misunderstanding Regarding Continuance:\*\*** While I have previously agreed to a continuance for the specific purpose of time for additional research, I did not agree to an indefinite postponement of the evidentiary hearing. Was not clear on all circumstances.
5. **\*\*Legal Authority Under Power of Attorney:\*\*** Under Pennsylvania law, specifically 20 Pa.C.S. §§ 5601-5612, a power of attorney grants the authority to represent another individual in legal matters. As the agent for Sonceiray Bowman, I am legally authorized to represent her in these proceedings.
6. **\*\*Request to Proceed with Evidentiary Hearing:\*\*** I request that the evidentiary hearing scheduled for March 7, 2024, proceed without further delay. I am prepared to advocate for the complainant's interests and address any outstanding issues at that time.

Thank you for considering this response to PGW's motion. I trust that the hearing will proceed as initially scheduled, and we can move forward with resolving this matter.

Sincerely,

*Angela Bowman (Power of Attorney)*

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