

**BEFORE THE
PENNSYLVANIA PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION**

Pennsylvania Public Utility Commission	:	R-2024-3047068
Office of Consumer Advocate	:	C-2024-3048327
Office of Small Business Advocate	:	C-2024-3048411
Annette Martin	:	C-2024-3048409
Met-Ed Industrial Users Group, et al	:	C-2024-3048673
Donald Ellenberger	:	C-2024-3048783
Pennsylvania State University	:	C-2024-3048958
Connie Dunmyer	:	C-2024-3049013
Mark Bowers	:	C-2024-3049014
Amy Stutzman	:	C-2024-3049016
Amy Stutzman	:	C-2024-3049017
Hattie Coates	:	C-2024-3049021
John Dolan	:	C-2024-3049128
Utility Workers Union of America Local 102	:	C-2024-3049235
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v.	:	
	:	
FirstEnergy Pennsylvania Electric Company	:	

SECOND INTERIM ORDER
CONDUCT OF PUBLIC
INPUT HEARINGS

On April 2, 2024, FirstEnergy Pennsylvania Electric Company (FirstEnergy PA), filed Supplement No. 3 to Tariff Electric Pa. P.U.C. No. 1 (Initial Filing or Supplement No. 3) to become effective June 1, 2024, containing a proposed general increase in electric distribution rates of \$503,848,000, or 34%, in additional annual revenues for the four Rate Districts: Met-Ed; Penelec; Penn Power.

On May 22, 2024, the Office of Administrative Law Judge (OALJ) issued the Corrected In-Person Public Input Hearing Notice, which outlined the date, time and location for fourteen (14) in person public input hearings to be conducted by an Administrative Law Judge

(ALJ) at seven (7) various locations. Also, on May 22, 2024, the OALJ scheduled telephonic public input hearings to be conducted at 1:00 p.m. and 6:00 p.m. on July 16, 2024, and July 17, 2024.

ALJ Gail Chiodo will conduct the public input hearings on June 25, 2024, through June 27, 2024. ALJ Katrina Dunderdale will conduct the public input hearings on July 9, 2024, through July 12, 2024, in addition to conducting the telephonic public input hearings on July 16, 2024 and July 17, 2024.

AND NOW, because the public input hearings will be conducted separately by two ALJs in differing locales and with the possibility of significant public interest, there is a need to clarify with the active parties the process or conduct of the public input hearings and outline how objections will be handled. Accordingly, it is hereby ORDERED:

1. That the ALJ will open and close the public input hearing with instructions for the individuals present, including a short explanation of the Company's base rate case, the three options each potential witness has for speaking, the order in which witnesses will be called forward to testify, the role of the court reporter and the deadlines for when the ALJ, and then the Commission, will render decisions.

2. That each party present will be given an opportunity at the start of the public input hearing for one attorney to provide a short synopsis of the party's position, encourage testimony and/or indicate the presence of representatives to answer questions of the participants after the hearing. This opportunity will be provided at the start of the public input hearing before testimony is taken.

3. That, at the conclusion of each witness' direct testimony, each counsel seated up front will be asked if there are any questions on cross-examination. Parties will be asked in the following sequence: the Company; the Bureau of Investigation and Enforcement; the Office of Consumer Advocate, the Office of Small Business Advocate, followed by

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