

**BEFORE THE
PENNSYLVANIA PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION**

David Detlefsen	:	
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v.	:	C-2024-3048161
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PECO Energy Company	:	

**INTERIM ORDER GRANTING RESPONDENT’S
MOTION FOR CONTINUANCE**

By Call-In Telephonic Hearing Notice dated May 15, 2024, an Initial Call-In Telephonic Hearing was scheduled for July 1, 2024 at 10:00 a.m.

I issued a Prehearing Order on May 16, 2024. The Prehearing Order directed the parties to comply with various procedural requirements and directed that a request to change the scheduled hearing should be sent to me at least five days prior to the hearing date, be in writing and state the agreement or opposition of the other party.

On June 27, 2024, Khadijah Scott, Esq., Counsel for Respondent, filed PECO’s Motion for Continuance of Hearing Date. In the Motion, Ms. Scott indicated that PECO is requesting a sixty (60) day continuance of the July 1, 2024 hearing date because the Respondent and the Complainant remain in settlement negotiations. Ms. Scott further indicated that PECO informed the Complainant that it would be requesting a continuance, and that the Complainant has no objection to the continuance request.

Paragraph 3 of my May 16, 2024, Prehearing Order advised the parties that they may request a continuance of the hearing if they have a good reason. My Prehearing Order further advised that “[t]o request a continuance, you must submit a written request (a “motion”) at least five (5) days before the hearing.” My Order further instructed that the motion should include:

the case name, case number, and hearing date; the reason you are requesting a continuance; and the other party's position on the request.

Based on Ms. Scott's stated reason, and also because the Complainant does not object, I find that PECO has established good cause to postpone the July 1, 2024 hearing. Accordingly, the request is granted. A Notice canceling the current hearing date and rescheduling to a future date will be issued. It is the Commission's policy to encourage settlements (52 Pa. Code § 5.231). Accordingly, the parties are encouraged to continue their settlement discussion to resolve this matter or some portion thereof.

THEREFORE,

IT IS ORDERED:

1. That the Respondent's Motion for Continuance of the hearing in the matter captioned as David Detlefsen v. PECO Energy Company at Docket No. C-2024-3048161 is granted; and

2. That the scheduling staff of the Office of Administrative Law Judge shall reschedule this matter for a hearing in sixty (60) days and notify the parties in writing.

Date: June 28, 2024

/s/
Christopher P. Pell
Deputy Chief Administrative Law Judge

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