

**BEFORE THE  
PENNSYLVANIA PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION**

Aisulu Oruzbaeva	:	
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v.	:	C-2020-3023497
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PPL Electric Utilities Corporation	:	

**PREHEARING CONFERENCE ORDER**

An initial telephonic prehearing conference is scheduled in the above-captioned proceeding for October 9, 2024, at 1:30 p.m. The parties must connect to the prehearing conference by using the following conference call-in numbers:

Call-in number: 888-459-7411  
PIN: 95632432

The parties are directed to comply with the following directives:

1. That a request for a change of the scheduled prehearing conference date must state the agreement or opposition of other participants in this proceeding and must be submitted by e-mail no later than five (5) days prior to the prehearing conference. 52 Pa.Code § 1.15(b).

2. That the Commission's regulation concerning prehearing conferences in non-rate proceedings is located at 52 Pa.Code § 5.222. As set forth at 52 Pa.Code § 5.222, the following matters shall be considered at prehearing conference:

- (1) The possibilities for settlement of the proceeding, subject to the approval of the Commission.
- (2) The amount of hearing time which will be required to dispose of the proceeding and the establishment of a schedule of hearing dates.

- (3) Arrangements for the submission of direct testimony of witnesses in writing in advance of hearing to the extent practicable, and for the submission in advance of hearing or written requests for information which a party contemplates asking another party to present at hearing.
- (4) Other matters that may aid in expediting the orderly conduct and disposition of the proceeding and the furtherance of justice, including the following:
  - (i) The simplification of the issues.
  - (ii) The exchange and acceptance of service of exhibits proposed to be offered in evidence.
  - (iii) The obtaining of admissions as to, or stipulations of, facts not remaining in dispute, or the authenticity of documents which might properly shorten the hearing.
  - (iv) The limitation of the number of witnesses.
  - (v) A proposed plan and schedule of discovery which may include specific limitations on the number of written interrogatories and requests for admissions a party may propound on another party.

Parties and counsel will be expected to attend the conference fully prepared for a useful discussion of all problems involved in the proceeding, both procedural and substantive, and fully authorized to make commitments with respect thereto.

3. Parties are not required to submit a prehearing memorandum. However, parties should be prepared to discuss:

- (i) The presently identified issues.
- (ii) The names and addresses of witnesses.
- (iii) The proposed area of testimony of each witness.

Additionally, parties should be prepared to discuss the requirements outlined in the Pennsylvania Supreme Court's decision at *Povacz, et al. v. Pa. Public Utility Commission*, 280 A.3d 975 (Pa. 2022) for the use of expert testimony in claims involving the safety of smart meters and RF emissions. A customer cannot successfully present a *prima facie* case involving an alleged violation of 66 Pa.C.S. § 1501 unless that customer presents appropriate expert scientific and medical testimony.

4. That absent a continuance for good cause, all parties must be prepared to participate in the scheduled prehearing conference. Failure of a party to participate in the



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