



COMMONWEALTH OF PENNSYLVANIA
PENNSYLVANIA PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION
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400 NORTH STREET
HARRISBURG, PENNSYLVANIA 17120

IN REPLY PLEASE
REFER TO OUR FILE

DATE SERVED: November 18, 2024

C-2024-3052132

SPENCER HALSTEAD
DIRECT ENERGY SERVICES, LLC
3711 MARKET STREET, SUITE 1000
PHILADELPHIA, PA 19104
Via Certified Mail

ALL Parties to proceedings pending before the Commission are encouraged to EITHER open and use an e filing account through the Commission's website at www.puc.pa.gov OR to ensure timely arrival, submit the filing by overnight delivery to: Secretary, Pennsylvania Public Utility Commission, 400 North Street, Harrisburg, Pennsylvania 17120. Emailed or faxed submissions are not acceptable. If a filing contains confidential or proprietary material, the filing should be submitted by overnight delivery to ensure arrival. Large filings containing confidential or proprietary material may also be submitted through the Commission's Share Point File system. These filings should be followed by a hard copy with a flash drive or CD for the Commission's file. Filers should contact the Secretary's Bureau in advance to set up a Share Point File before submitting the filing.

TO: Direct Energy Services, LLC

A formal complaint has been filed against you before the Pennsylvania Public Utility Commission by Rigoberto Linares. Within twenty (20) days of the date of this letter, you must either: (1) respond by filing with the Commission, in writing, an Answer in accordance with 52 Pa. Code Section 5.61, either personally or through your attorney; or (2) satisfy the complaint by settling the matter with the Complainant and submitting proof of settlement to the Commission.

IF YOU FAIL TO ANSWER THE COMPLAINT WITHIN TWENTY (20) DAYS OF THE ABOVE DATE SERVED, THE CLAIMS AGAINST YOU MAY BE DEEMED ADMITTED, THE CASE MAY GO FORWARD, AND A PENALTY MAY BE ENTERED AGAINST YOU BY THE COMMISSION WITHOUT FURTHER NOTICE.

CUSTOMER OF A UTILITY

A payment schedule may be prescribed or a termination of utility services may be authorized. You may lose money, property or other important rights.

COMPANY/UTILITY

The Commission may revoke or suspend any certificate or permit held by you or impose a fine or other penalty or remedy authorized by the Public Utility Code. You may lose money, property or other important rights.

Detailed instructions on how to proceed are contained in the attached pages. Unless you are a corporation or other organization, you may proceed without a lawyer.

Very truly yours,
Rosemary Chiavetta
Secretary

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Rosemary Chiavetta". The signature is written in black ink and is positioned below the typed name and title.

BEFORE THE PENNSYLVANIA PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION

DATE SERVED: November 18, 2024

Rigoberto Linares
Complainant

v.

Direct Energy Services, LLC
Respondent

Complaint Docket No:
C-2024-3052132

FORMAL COMPLAINT NOTICE TO RESPONDENT TO ANSWER OR SATISFY

TO: Direct Energy Services, LLC

TAKE NOTICE:

1. You have twenty (20) days from the above date served to either: (a) satisfy this complaint or (b) file an Answer with the **Secretary of the Pennsylvania Public Utility Commission** - one original written answer, under oath, as required by 52 Pa. Code Section 5.61, which either admits or specifically denies the allegations in the complaint. You must also serve one copy of the answer upon the complainant. In accordance with 52 Pa. Code Section 1.56(a), **the date served is the date appearing at the top of this Notice.**

2. In accordance with 52 Pa. Code Section 5.61, if you fail to either satisfy or settle this complaint, or to file an answer or other responsive pleading within twenty (20) days of the above date served, you will be deemed to have admitted all the allegations in this complaint. In that event, the Commission may, without hearing, enter an order which either revokes or suspends any certificate or permit held by you or may impose a fine or other appropriate penalty or remedy authorized by the Public Utility Code, 66 Pa. C.S. Section 101, et seq. If you are a customer of a utility, the Commission may enter an order setting forth a payment schedule or authorize termination of utility services. The Commission is not limited to the relief sought by the complainant in paragraph 4 of the attached complaint.

3. If you elect to satisfy or settle this complaint, you must file with the Commission, within twenty (20) days from the above date served, a certified statement of satisfaction as required by 52 Pa. Code Section 5.24. Such certified statement must describe the basis on which this complaint was satisfied and any settlement agreement between the parties must be made in writing and attached to the certified statement. Such certified statement must be filed with the Secretary of the Commission at the address set forth in paragraph 1 above. Upon the Commission's receipt of a certified statement of satisfaction from all complainants, this complaint may be dismissed in accordance with 66 Pa. C.S. Section 703(a) (unless the Commission determines that a dismissal would be contrary to the public interest, in which event the Commission may direct that hearings be held upon the complaint).

4. If you file an answer which admits the allegations in this complaint, or which fails to specifically deny the allegations in this complaint, the Commission may, without hearing, enter an order which either

revokes or suspends any certificate held by you or impose a fine or other appropriate penalty or remedy authorized by the Public Utility Code, 66 Pa. C. S. Section 101, et seq. If you are a customer of a utility, the Commission may enter an order setting forth a payment schedule or authorize termination of utility services. The Commission is not limited to the relief sought by the complainant in paragraph 4 of the attached complaint.

5. If you file a timely answer which specifically denies the allegations in this complaint, or which raises material questions of law or fact, this matter shall be referred to the Office of Administrative Law Judge for hearing and a decision. If, after hearing on the issues, you are found to have committed any of the violations alleged in the complaint, the Administrative Law Judge may render a decision which either revokes or suspends any certificate or permit held by you or imposes a fine or other appropriate penalty or remedy authorized by the Public Utility Code, 66 Pa. C. S. Section 101, et seq. If you are a customer of a utility, the Commission may enter an order setting forth a payment schedule or authorize termination of utility services. When imposing a penalty, the Administrative Law Judge is not bound by the relief sought by the complainant in paragraph 4 of the attached complaint.



Rosemary Chiavetta
Secretary

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