

**BEFORE
THE PENNSYLVANIA PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION**

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| Pennsylvania Public Utility Commission, | : | |
| Bureau of Investigation and Enforcement | : | |
| | : | C-2024-3052320 |
| v. | : | |
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| PECO Energy Company | : | |

PREHEARING CONFERENCE ORDER

A Prehearing Conference is scheduled in this case for **Tuesday, January 21, 2025, at 10:00 a.m.** To participate in the conference, you must dial the toll-free number listed below. You will be prompted to enter a PIN number, which is also listed below. You will be asked to speak your name and then the telephone system will connect you to the conference.

CALL-IN INFORMATION

Toll-free Bridge Number: 1-888-459-7411
PIN Number: 95632432

The parties are hereby directed to comply with the following requirements:

1. Each party must file and serve, prior to 4:30 p.m. on **Thursday, January 16, 2025**, a Prehearing Conference Memorandum which sets forth the history of the proceeding, the issues you intend to present, a proposed plan and schedule of discovery, a listing of your proposed witnesses and the subject of their testimony, and a proposed litigation schedule, agreed to by all parties if possible. 52 Pa.Code § 5.222(d). All parties must receive copies of the Prehearing Conference Memorandum and the undersigned should be served a copy by email at jcoogan@pa.gov.

2. A request for a change of the scheduled Prehearing Conference date must state the agreement or opposition of other parties and must be submitted by email to the undersigned

no later than three (5) days prior to the Prehearing Conference. 52 Pa.Code § 1.15(b). Only the undersigned Administrative Law Judge may grant a request for a change of a prehearing conference. Such changes are granted only in rare situations where sufficient cause exists. Requests for changes of subsequent prehearing conferences or hearings, if any, should also be served directly on the presiding Administrative Law Judge.

In accordance with the foregoing, absent a continuance for good cause, all parties must be prepared to participate in the scheduled Prehearing Conference.

3. Please review the regulations pertaining to prehearing conferences, 52 Pa.Code § 5.221-§ 5.223, and in particular, § 5.222(d) which provides, in part:

(d) 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.

(1) The preparation must include submission of a prehearing memorandum and list:

(i) The presently identified issues.

(ii) The names and addresses of the witnesses.

(iii) The proposed area of testimony of each witness.

(2) The preparation may include:

(i) Development of a proposed procedural schedule.

(ii) Advance study of all relevant materials.

(iii) Advance informal communication between the parties, including requests for additional data and information, to the extent it appears feasible and desirable.

4. Parties should review the regulations relating to discovery, specifically 52 Pa.Code §5.331(b), which provides, *inter alia*, that “a party shall endeavor to initiate discovery

as early in the proceedings as reasonably possible,” and 52 Pa.Code § 5.322, which encourages parties to exchange information on an informal basis. All parties are urged to cooperate in discovery, and advise me at the prehearing conference as to discovery problems which have not been resolved. There are limitations on discovery and sanctions for abuse of the discovery process. 52 Pa.Code §§ 5.361, 5.371-5.372.

5. Pursuant to 52 Pa.Code §§ 1.21 & 1.22, if you are an individual, you may represent yourself or you may be represented by an attorney licensed to practice law in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania or admitted *Pro Hac Vice*. However, if you are a partnership, corporation, trust, association, or governmental agency or subdivision, you must be represented in this proceeding by an attorney licensed to practice law in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania or admitted *Pro Hac Vice*. Unless you are an attorney, you may not represent someone else. Attorneys shall insure that their appearance is entered in accordance with the provisions of 52 Pa.Code § 1.24(b).

6. Failure of a party to attend the prehearing conference without good cause shown shall constitute a waiver of all objections to the agreements reached and matters decided at the prehearing conference, including, but not limited to, any special discovery rules and the litigation schedule established for this case. 52 Pa.Code §§ 5.222(e).

7. You must serve the presiding Administrative Law Judge directly with a copy of any document that you file in this proceeding. If you send the undersigned any correspondence or document, you must send a copy to all other parties. For your convenience, a copy of the Commission’s current service list of the parties to this proceeding is enclosed with this Order.

Date: December 26, 2024

/s/
John M. Coogan
Administrative Law Judge

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