

**BEFORE THE  
PENNSYLVANIA PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION**

Bureau of Investigation and Enforcement	:	
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v.	:	C-2024-3052277
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Philadelphia Gas Works	:	

**PREHEARING ORDER #1**

I conducted a call-in telephonic prehearing conference in this matter on February 20, 2025. Present via telephone were Counsel for the Commission’s Bureau of Investigation and Enforcement (I&E) and Philadelphia Gas Works (PGW). This Order sets for the procedural matters addressed at the prehearing conference.

THEREFORE,

IT IS ORDERED:

1. That the parties of record as of the date of this Prehearing Order are I&E and PGW.
2. That parties to this proceeding must be represented by an attorney to participate in the formal hearing process, e.g., filing and responding to pleadings, presentation of testimony and evidence, participation in evidentiary hearings, and submission of briefs. *See* 52 Pa. Code § 1.21.
3. That the parties shall receive all documents and shall copy all other parties on documents they file with the Commission or serve on the undersigned. The parties shall serve the documents so that the documents are received in-hand by the parties and the undersigned no

later than 4:30 p.m. on the dates listed. Parties may serve the documents via e-mail to meet this requirement as long as a party has consented to exclusively receive electronic service. Parties that have not consented to exclusively receive electronic service should also be served by first-class mail. Parties shall not file testimony with the Commission but shall file a certificate of service.

4. That the following schedule, as proposed by both parties, is adopted:

I&E Direct Testimony	June 2, 2025
PGW Rebuttal Testimony	August 15, 2025
I&E Surrebuttal Testimony	September 15, 2025
Cross Examination Matrix	September 30, 2025
Hearings (In-Person)	October 16-17, 2025
Main Briefs	Within 20 days of filing of transcript
Reply Briefs	Within 20 days of filing of Main Briefs

5. That the October 16-17, 2025, evidentiary hearings will be held in person in an available hearing room in the Philadelphia Office of Administrative Law Judge. The initial day will commence at 10:00 a.m.; the subsequent day will commence at 9:00 a.m. An evidentiary hearing notice will be issued and published on the Commission's website.

6. That my informal e-mail distribution list is as follows. Any changes or corrections should be communicated to me via e-mail as soon as possible. Please include my legal assistant, Pamela McNeal, on anything you send to me.

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7. That the parties shall conduct discovery pursuant to 52 Pa.Code §§ 5.321-5.373. The parties are encouraged to cooperate and exchange information on an informal basis. The parties shall cooperate rather than engage in numerous or protracted discovery disagreements that require formal resolution. All motions to compel shall contain a certification by counsel setting forth the informal discovery undertaken and their efforts to resolve their discovery disputes informally. If a motion to compel does not contain this certification, the parties will be directed to pursue informal discovery. There are limitations on discovery and sanctions for abuse of the discovery process. 52 Pa.Code §§ 5.361, 5.371-5.372.

8. That the parties shall stipulate to any matters they reasonably can to expedite this proceeding, lessen the burden of time and expenses in litigation on all parties and conserve administrative hearing resources. 52 Pa.Code §§ 5.232 and 5.234.

9. That the parties should do their best to avoid the use of **Confidential Security Information (CSI)**, as defined by 35 P.S. § 2141 et seq., in this proceeding. Where possible, the parties should develop alternative means of introducing information into the record, such as joint stipulations or redaction when proposing testimony or exhibits. If the parties cannot avoid the use of CSI, the parties are to contact the presiding ALJ in advance of any submission, and prior to the evidentiary hearing.

10. That the parties are to confer amongst themselves in an attempt to resolve all or some of the issues associated with these proceedings. The parties are reminded it is the Commission's policy to encourage settlements. 52 Pa. Code §5.231(a). The parties are strongly urged to seriously explore settlement.

11. That the parties shall comply with the procedural rules and regulations discussed herein.



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