

**BEFORE THE
PENNSYLVANIA PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION**

Pennsylvania Public Utility Commission,	:	
Bureau of Investigation and Enforcement	:	
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v.	:	C-2025-3053309
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Repsol Oil & Gas USA, LLC	:	

ORDER GRANTING MOTION FOR STAY

On February 7, 2025, the Pennsylvania Public Utility Commission’s Bureau of Investigation and Enforcement (I&E) filed a Formal Complaint against Repsol Oil & Gas USA, LLC (Repsol) at Docket No. C-2025-3053309. In its Complaint, I&E alleges violations by Repsol on Pennsylvania’s Unconventional Gas Well Impact Fee Act (Act 13), 58 Pa.C.S. §§2301-2318. More specifically, I&E alleges that Repsol failed to comply with Act 13 in that it did not pay its 2021 calendar year impact fees and administrative charges, imposed under the Act for unconventional gas wells. By way of relief, I&E seeks an order directing Repsol to pay a total of \$1,331,70.00.

On February 13, 2025, Repsol filed an Expedited Unopposed Motion to Stay Proceedings (Motion). In its Motion, Repsol asserts that the instant Complaint raises precisely the same question that has already been thoroughly briefed and argued before the Pennsylvania Commonwealth Court and is presently pending for disposition before the Pennsylvania Supreme Court in *Repsol Oil & Gas USA, LLC v. Pa. Pub. Util. Comm’n*, No. 62 MAP 2024 (Pa.). Motion, ¶21. Repsol notes that the parallel Supreme Court proceeding involves the exact same parties and may resolve the exact same legal question presented in the instant Complaint. Motion, ¶ 27. Repsol further represents that it has conferred with counsel for I&E and that I&E does not oppose a stay of the instant proceeding pending final disposition of the parallel Supreme Court appeal.

Given the representation in Repsol's Motion that the parties and legal questions in the instant proceeding are identical to those in the pending parallel Supreme Court proceeding, and that I&E does not oppose a stay in this proceeding pending disposition of the Supreme Court proceeding, I will grant the Motion and enter the following Order:

ORDER

THEREFORE,

IT IS ORDERED THAT:

1. The Expedited Unopposed Motion to Stay Proceedings filed by Repsol Oil & Gas USA, LLC is granted.
2. All deadlines in the above-captioned proceeding are stayed pending final disposition of the matter captioned *Repsol Oil & Gas USA, LLC v. Pa. Pub. Util. Comm'n*, No. 62 MAP 2024 (Pa.), pending before the Pennsylvania Supreme Court.
3. The parties shall file a joint status report to the docket in the above-captioned proceeding within 14 days of final disposition on the matter captioned *Repsol Oil & Gas USA, LLC v. Pa. Pub. Util. Comm'n*, No. 62 MAP 2024 (Pa.).

Date: March 4, 2025

Steven K. Haas
Administrative Law Judge

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