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Re: Request for Extension of Time to File Comments at Docket No. M-2025-3052826

On April 18, 2025, the Office of Consumer Advocate (OCA) filed a Motion for Extension of Time for Reply Comments (Motion) requesting a 5-day extension of the deadline to submit reply comments to the Act 129 Phase V Tentative Implementation Order (Tentative Order) at the above-captioned docket. The Tentative Order was published in the Pennsylvania Bulletin on March 8, 2025, establishing deadlines for comments and reply comments to the Pennsylvania Public Utility Commission (Commission) by April 7, 2025 and April 22, 2025, respectively.

In its Motion, the OCA cites the quantity and complexity of comments that have already been filed in response to the Tentative Order as the rationale for seeking a 5-day extension of time from April 22, 2025, until 4:30 p.m. on April 28, 2025 to file its reply comments. The OCA represents that it has obtained consent to this extension from a large number of stakeholders that filed comments, and that such a short extension request, filed prior to the date on which reply comments are due, would not prejudice any other party. Accordingly, the OCA asserts that its request is made for good cause, pursuant to 52 Pa. Code § 1.15(a).

The timeline for implementing Phase V of Act 129 is the result of a stakeholder-negotiated process, which has been used for Phases 1 through 4 of Act 129, in order to achieve implementation of the next Phase by June 1 of the implementation year. As such, any delay by the Commission in issuing the Final Implementation Order for Phase V of Act 129 by June of 2025 would jeopardize the timely and successful implementation of Phase V by June 1, 2026. Given the Phase V implementation timeline involved, the Commission denies the OCA's request for extension of the filing deadline for Reply Comments to the Tentative Order.

Sincerely,

Matthew L. Homsher
Secretary