

**BEFORE THE
PENNSYLVANIA PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION**

Jeremy Hargrove	:	C-2025-3056404
	:	P-2025-3056405
v.	:	
	:	
FirstEnergy Pennsylvania Electric Company	:	

FIRST INTERIM ORDER

Rule to Show Cause
If Hearing Should
Be Scheduled

On July 21, 2025, Jeremy Hargrove (Mr. Hargrove or Complainant) filed a Formal Complaint (Complaint) against FirstEnergy Pennsylvania Electric Company (FE PA or Respondent), at Docket No. C-2025-3056404. Complainant alleged FE PA was threatening to shut off electric service or had shut off electric service already. Complainant alleged he contacted FE PA to establish an electric service account in his name after he acquired the service address. Complainant further alleged FE PA improperly failed to establish a new account and disconnected service to the service address without written notice. In his complaint, Complainant agreed to receive all documents by email, using the email address he provided.

In his Complaint, Mr. Hargrove asserted he sought emergency relief in the form of an Order from the Commission directing FE PA to restore electric service immediately, pursuant to 52 Pa. Code § 3.3, to the service address. Accordingly, the Commission docketed his request for emergency relief at Docket No. P-2025-3056405, and the Office of Administrative Law Judge scheduled an emergency hearing for July 29, 2025.

On July 28, 2025, FE PA filed a response to Mr. Hargrove's request for Emergency Relief, and averred the proceeding was moot because FE PA restored electric service on July 21, 2025 at 7:13 p.m. In addition, FE PA averred the Customer had to hire an attorney because the Customer was an entity known as 323 E Wallace Avenue, LLC. Lastly, FE PA

contended Mr. Hargrove lacked standing to bring the proceeding on the behalf of the Customer because he was not an attorney and he was not the customer.

On July 29, 2025, Mr. Hargrove did not appear to provide evidence in support of his request for emergency relief. Mr. Hargrove did not contact the Commission or the presiding officer to request a continuance or to indicate that he would not be available to attend the hearing on July 29, 2025. During the emergency hearing, counsel for Respondent indicated electric service had been terminated on July 21, 2025, and service was re-established on July 21, 2025. Respondent also indicated that during one of the contacts with Complainant on July 21, 2025, Complainant indicated to Respondent's staff that he intended to withdraw his Complaint.

Discussion

Mr. Hargrove did not send an email or letter to the presiding officer to indicate he would be unavailable for the emergency hearing on July 29, 2025. Mr. Hargrove did not call the office of the presiding officer to indicate he would be unavailable. Further, a review of the Commission's docket does not reflect any communication was sent to the Commission by Mr. Hargrove after the filing of the Complaint.

Given Complainant's alleged statements to Respondent's staff and his failure to appear at the emergency hearing which he requested, it appears Complainant may not intend to pursue his Complaint before the Commission. However, Complainant appears to be an unrepresented individual who may be a principal agent for the Customer.

When a proceeding becomes adversarial, a person filing on behalf of another person, or a corporation, trust or association, must be represented by an attorney licensed to practice law in Pennsylvania. (52 Pa. Code §§ 1.22, 1.23). This proceeding became adversarial when Mr. Hargrove requested an emergency hearing and FE PA filed its prehearing memorandum in response to that request. The corporate structure of the Customer appears to be clear – it is a limited liability corporation, or LLC. Therefore, the Customer is not an individual or person, and it must be represented in this proceeding by an attorney. (*Cars R Us c/o Holman*

Copeland v. PGW, Docket No. C-2008-2033437 (Order entered February 4, 2010)). The Customer and Mr. Hargrove, as an apparent agent of the Customer, will have time in which it can retain the services of an attorney who is licensed to practice law in Pennsylvania. If the Customer does not retain an attorney by the date specified, this Complaint will be dismissed.

Accordingly, in the Ordering Paragraphs that follow, Mr. Hargrove, on behalf of the Customer, will be given time in which to indicate, in writing, to the presiding officer if the limited liability company plans to hire an attorney to pursue any claim specified in the Complaint. If the limited liability company wants to pursue any claim specified in the Complaint, then an attorney must enter a notice of appearance with the Commission within twenty (20) days.

If the limited liability company does not hire an attorney who enters his/her appearance by the date specified, the Complaint at Docket No. C-2025-3056404 will be dismissed for failure to comply with an interim order.

THEREFORE,

IT IS ORDERED:

1. That Complainant, Jeremy Hargrove, on behalf of the Customer, 323 E Wallace Avenue LLC, must provide to the undersigned and to opposing counsel a written letter which states if he wishes to pursue the Complaint.

2. That Complainant must provide this written statement on or before close of business on Thursday, August 28, 2025. Failure to respond to this Order by 4:00 p.m. on or before that date will result in the dismissal of the Formal Complaint at Docket No. C-2025-3056404 for failure to prosecute the Complaint.

Date: August 6, 2025

/s/
Katrina L. Dunderdale
Administrative Law Judge

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