

**Before the Pennsylvania Public Utility
Commission**

**PPL Electric Utilities :
Corporation Distribution : Docket No. Rate
Increase Request : R 2025-
: 3057164**

October 17, 2025

**Petition to Intervene of
Eric Joseph Epstein, Pro se**

Matthew Homsher, Secretary
Pennsylvania Public Utility Commission
Commonwealth Keystone Building
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Dear Secretary Matthew Homsher:

Enclosed for filing with the Pennsylvania Public Utility Commission are the original and three (3) copies of Eric Joseph Epstein's Petition to Intervene in the above-referenced proceeding. Pursuant to Section 701 of the Pennsylvania Public Utility Commission of the Code 66 Pa. C.S.A. §701; Sections 5.21 & 5.22, Eric Joseph Epstein, *Pro se* hereby files a Formal Petition to Intervene in the above cited case.

Sincerely,


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The name and address of the Respondent:

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I. Background.

1. On September 30, 2025, PPL filed a request with the Pennsylvania Public Utility Commission (“PUC”) for a distribution base rate adjustment
2. The official docket number for this rate case is R-2025 -3057164.
3. PPL stated the rate increase is purported to be needed to fund necessary investments to modernize and strengthen the electric grid.
4. Status: The rate case is under review by the PUC, which plans to hold public hearings. Any approved rate change would not take effect until the review process is complete, potentially around July 1, 2026.
5. The residential Price to Compare increased by approximately 16%, from 10.771 cents per kWh to 12.490 cents per kWh.
6. PPL cited rising wholesale market prices caused by factors like the retirement of older power plants and high-capacity costs in the PJM Interconnection grid.

II. Mr. Epstein’s Interest in the Proceeding.

7. Mr. Epstein receives generation, distribution and transmission service from the PPL Electric Utilities (“PPL” or “the Company”).

8. Epstein was actively involved in PPL Electric Utilities Corporation's proposed Supplement No. 179 to Tariff Electric PA Public Utility Commission No. 201.

9. Mr. Epstein was an Active Party in PPL Electric Utilities Corporation's Request for Approval of a Competitive Bridge Plan Docket No. RP-0006227.

10. Eric Joseph Epstein participated in PPL Electric Utilities Corporation 2006 Competitive Transition Charge Reconciliation Filings.

11. Mr. Epstein was an Active Party in PPL Electric Utilities 2007 application with the Pennsylvania Public Utility Commission for an annual increase for distribution rates.

12. Mr. Epstein intervened and was an Active Party in PPL Electric Utilities Corporation's Request for Approval of A Rate Stabilization Plan, and was an active participant in PPL's Collaborative.

13. Eric Joseph Epstein also intervened and was an Active Party in PPL Electric Utilities Request for

Approval to Offer Customers a Voluntary Alternative Energy Program and to Bank Alternative Energy Credits.

14. Mr. Epstein intervened and was an Active Party in PPL Electric Utilities Corporation's Request for Approval of an Energy Efficiency and Conservation Plan.

15. Mr. Epstein intervened and was an Active Party in PPL Electric Utilities Corporation's Request for Approval of Time of Use Supplement No. 71 Tariff Electric PA PUC. No 201 Issued on July 31, 2009, Effective or Service on and After January 1, 2010.

16. Mr. Epstein was an active participant in PPL's Collaborative stake holder process, a proponent of Time of Use ("TOU") tariffs, and offered TOU programming suggestions during the TOU collaborative in 2007-2008 and in Direct Testimony submitted to the PUC on October 30, 2009.

17. Mr. Epstein intervened in PPL Electric Utilities Corporation's Petition for Approval of Time of Use Supplement No. 94 to Tariff Electric PA PUC, No. 201, Docket No. R-2010 with an issue date of September 23, 2010 and an Effective date of January 1, 2011.

18. Mr. Epstein intervened and was an Active Party in PPL Electric Utilities Corporation's Request for

Approval of a Default Service Program and Procurement Plan for the Period January 1, 2011 through May 14, 2014.

19. Mr. Epstein intervened and was an Active Party in PPL Electric Utilities Corporation Request or Approval of Time of Use Supplement No. 1102 to Tariff Electric PA PUC, No 201, Docket No. R-2011-2264771 from 2011-2012.

20. Mr. Epstein intervened before Pennsylvania Public Utility Commission in PPL Electric Utilities Corporation, Docket No. R-2012-229057, Supplement No. 118 to Tariff Electric Pa PUC No. 201 in 2012.

21. PPL increased distribution rates by 6% percent in 2005.

22. The Company increased distribution rates by 2.7% ii 2008.

23. PPL proposed a rate increase request of \$114.7 million or a 2.4% increase in PPL's total retail revenue in 2010.

24. On December 5, 2012, the Public Utility Commission adopted an Order authorizing a \$71.065 million rate increase for PPL Electric Utilities,

effective on January 1, 2012. The Order was entered on December 28, 2012 and became effective on January 1, 2013.

25. The increase drove up the flat monthly customer charge 62% from \$8.75 to \$14.09 per month. The PUC allowed PPL a nominal decrease in the distribution charge levied on a per kilowatt basis, from 2.55 cents to 2.51 cents. The \$71 million annual increase that took effect January 1, 2013 increased the bill of a residential customer by 3%.

26. PPL filed a letter with the Commission on February 27, 2015 stating it will be filing for a rate increase.

27. PPL requested an overall 18.5% increase on distribution rates. Distribution charges would increase from \$14.09 to \$20.00 per month, and variable charges were set to increase from \$0.02511 to \$0.03209 kWh. For a 1000 kWh residential customer, distribution rates would increase from \$39.20 to \$52.90 (132%). The proposed \$167.5 million annual increase was reduced to \$124 million.

Conclusion.

28. The Company's Testimony and documentation to support their rate requests are insufficient to establish that the proposed rates are just, reasonable and nondiscriminatory, as required by Sections 1301 & 1304 of the Code, 66 Pa. C.S.A. § 1301 & 1304.

29. The Respondent has the full burden of proof [Section 315 (a) of the Public Utility Code, 66 Pa. C.S.A. § 315 (a)] to establish, and prove that the proposed rate increases are just and reasonable and consistent with Section 1301 of the Code, 66 Pa. C.S.A. § 1301.

30. Eric Joseph Epstein's Petition is universal and inclusive, and directed against the rates, terms, and provisions contained in the proposed \$167.5 million annual rate increase.

31. Mr. Epstein respectfully requests that the Pennsylvania Public Utility Commission provide the following relief:

i) Conduct an investigation into the rates, terms, and provisions contained in PPL's proposed annual increase in Company rates in full evidentiary hearings;

ii) Suspend the effectiveness date of PPL's proposed rate increase;

iii) Grant Eric Joseph Epstein's Petition to Intervene;
and,

iv) Allow Mr. Epstein to fully participate in the
evidentiary proceeding, cross examine PPL witnesses
as well as witnesses presented by Active Parties;
present his own evidence; prepare direct, rebuttal and
sur- rebuttal testimony; and, offer arguments on his
own behalf.

Respectfully submitted,

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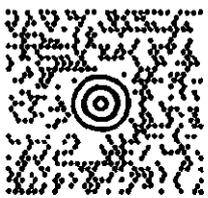
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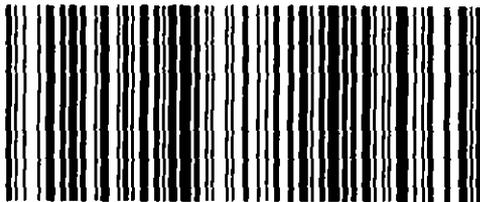


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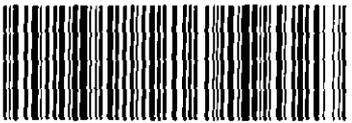
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