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**Via Electronic Filing**

Mr. Matthew Homsher, Secretary Pennsylvania  
Public Utility Commission Commonwealth  
Keystone Building, 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor 400 North Street  
Harrisburg, PA 17120

**Re: Pennsylvania Public Utility Commission, et al. v. Duquesne Light Company  
Docket Nos. R-2024-3046523, et al.**

Dear Secretary Homsher:

On November 7, 2024, the Pennsylvania Public Utility Commission (PUC) approved the settlement of the Duquesne Light Company's (DLC) base rate proceeding in the above-captioned proceeding. As explained below, DLC is notifying the PUC that the Company will be working with the settlement parties to meet certain requirements by March 31, 2026 rather than the timeline originally anticipated.

Under the settlement, the Company agreed to work with the parties to update its utilization of LIHEAP data. Paragraph 53 of the settlement requires DLC to meet with the Company's Income Eligible Advisory Group (IEAG) to solicit feedback about the Company's plan to use LIHEAP data from the Pennsylvania Department of Human Services (DHS) to auto-enroll eligible customers into the company's Customer Assistance Program (CAP).

The settlement further requires DLC to file a Petition with the PUC to provide certain information about its proposed plan, including any amendments to the company's Universal Services and Energy Conservation Plan (USECP), to facilitate CAP auto enrollments using LIHEAP data. As envisioned at the time of settlement, Paragraph 53 required DLC to submit the petition within one-year from the effective date of the 2024 rate case, or by December 20, 2025.

**In lieu of submitting a petition by December 20, 2025, DLC plans to submit the petition in**

**question to the Commission for consideration by March 31, 2026.** This additional time will allow DLC to share its proposed autoenrollment CAP plan to the IEAG in late January and to accept and consider feedback from the group, resulting in a more thoroughly contemplated plan.

On December 5, 2025, DLC contacted the parties to the 2024 rate case settlement advising of the Company's delay in complying with Paragraph 53. DLC also presented those parties with an alternative timeline for meeting the obligations of Paragraph 53, as described above. Importantly, CAUSE-PA has agreed to the Company's approach on how to move forward. Paragraph 53 resolved issues raised by CAUSE-PA in the underlying proceeding (see CAUSE-PA Statement in Support, page 15, found attached the filed Petition for Joint Settlement filed in this docket on August 16, 2024). Representatives of the Office of the Consumer Advocate, and the Office of Small Business Advocate have no objections to DLC's proposed timeline. Customer complainant Ronald Bernick was the only party to the 2024 rate case that opposed DLC's proposal. The remainder of the parties to the rate case did not respond to DLC's outreach efforts. DLC also notified staff from the Bureau of Consumer Services (BCS) as a courtesy prior to the filing of this letter.

Upon receipt of this letter, DLC respectfully requests acknowledgement from the PUC of the Company's new deadline of March 31, 2026, to submit the petition described above to amend its USECP. Please contact me at 412-639-9059 or by email at [mbrechlin@duqlight.com](mailto:mbrechlin@duqlight.com) if you have any questions about this Notice.

Respectfully Submitted,



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Enclosures

Cc: Certificate of Service

## CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that a true and correct copy of the foregoing has been served upon the following persons, in the manner indicated, in accordance with the requirements of 52 Pa. Code § 1.54 (relating to service by a participant):

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