

**BEFORE THE
PENNSYLVANIA PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION**

Verizon Pennsylvania LLC and	:	
Verizon North LLC	:	
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v.	:	C-2020-3019347
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Metropolitan Edison Company, Pennsylvania	:	
Electric Company and Penn Power Company	:	

PREHEARING CONFERENCE ORDER

On January 8, 2026, the Pennsylvania Supreme Court issued an Opinion, vacating the Commonwealth Court’s Order dated September 21, 2023, which affirmed the Order of the Pennsylvania Public Utility Commission (Commission) in this matter dated April 15, 2021, and remanded to the Commonwealth Court to remand to the Commission for further proceedings consistent with the Pennsylvania Supreme Court’s Opinion. On January 30, 2026, the Commonwealth Court remanded to the Commission for further proceedings consistent with the Pennsylvania Supreme Court’s Opinion.

A Further Call-In Telephonic Prehearing Conference has been scheduled in this matter for Tuesday, March 17, 2026, at 10:00 a.m. We will discuss issues related to the remand phase of this proceeding. In anticipation of the prehearing conference, and in accordance with the provisions of 66 Pa.C.S. § 333 and 52 Pa. Code §§ 5.221-5.223, this Prehearing Conference Order is being issued.

To participate in the prehearing conference, you must dial the toll-free number listed below. You will be prompted to enter a passcode number, which is also listed below. You will be asked to speak your name and then the telephone system will connect you to the hearing.

Toll-free Bridge Number: 888.456.5124
Passcode Number: 9563241

The parties are hereby directed to comply with the following requirements:

1. On or before Friday, March 13, 2026, each party shall file and serve a prehearing conference memorandum which shall include (1) a list of the issues and sub-issues the party believes are relevant to this remand proceeding and intends to address, (2) a statement of the party's position on each of the issues and sub-issues listed, (3) the names, business addresses, and telephone numbers of witnesses the party expects to call and the subject matter of each witness' testimony, (4) a proposed litigation schedule. Regarding a proposed litigation schedule, the parties are directed to confer among themselves prior to the prehearing conference and attempt to develop a mutually acceptable litigation schedule for discussion and adoption during the conference. Please be prepared to discuss these and any other issues relevant to compliance with the Pennsylvania Supreme Court's January 8, 2026 Order.

2. Parties must serve me directly (electronically at jcoogan@pa.gov) with any document you file in this proceeding. If you send any document or correspondence, you must send a copy to all other parties in the case.

3. Failure of a party to participate in the prehearing conference shall constitute a waiver of all objections to the agreements reached, and any order or ruling with respect thereto.

4. Any request for a change of the scheduled prehearing conference date shall state the agreement or opposition of other parties, and shall be filed no later than five (5) days prior to the prehearing conference. 52 Pa. Code §1.15(b). Requests for change must be sent to me, with copies to all parties of record.

5. Please review the regulation pertaining to prehearing conferences, 52 Pa. Code § 5.222. Be prepared to discuss possibilities for settlement, discovery issues, service among parties and all other procedural issues relevant to this proceeding. In addition, note subsection (d), which provides, in part:

(d) Parties and counsel will be expected to attend the conference fully prepared for a useful discussion of all problems

involved in the proceeding, both procedural and substantive, and fully authorized to make commitments with respect thereto.

6. Please review the regulations pertaining to discovery, particularly 52 Pa. Code § 5.331(b), which provides, *inter alia*, that participants try to initiate discovery as early in the proceeding as possible, and 52 Pa. Code § 5.322, which encourages parties to exchange information on an informal basis. The parties are expected to pursue resolution of discovery issues among themselves; motions to compel should be filed only after such efforts have failed.

Dated: February 18, 2026

_____/s/
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