

**BEFORE THE
PENNSYLVANIA PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION**

Petition of Duquesne Light Company for :
Approval of its Act 129 Phase V Energy : M-2025-3057325
Efficiency and Conservation Plan :

ORDER CERTIFYING THE RECORD TO THE COMMISSION

HISTORY OF THE PROCEEDING

On June 18, 2025, the Pennsylvania Public Utility Commission (Commission) entered an Implementation Order with respect to the Act 129 Energy Efficiency and Conservation Program at Docket No. M-2025-3052826 (Implementation Order). In the Implementation Order, the Commission adopted a timeline for Phase V of the program which called for Pennsylvania’s four major electric distribution companies to file Energy Efficiency and Conservation (EE&C) Phase V plans by November 30, 2025, and a Commission ruling on the plans in March 2026.

On December 1, 2025, Duquesne Light Company (Duquesne Light or Company) filed a Petition for Approval of its Act 129 Phase V Energy Efficiency and Conservation Plan (Petition).¹ The Company submits that the attached Phase V Energy Efficiency and Conservation Plan (Phase V Plan) is designed to meet Duquesne Light’s Phase V consumption reduction and demand reduction targets, and to comply with the other requirements set forth in the Commission’s Implementation Order. Notice of the filing was published in the Pennsylvania Bulletin on January 3, 2026. 56 Pa.B. 156.

¹ The November 30, 2025 deadline for filing the plans fell on a Sunday.

Duquesne Light is a public utility and an electric distribution company that furnishes electric distribution service to more than 600,000 customers in the City of Pittsburgh and in Allegheny and Beaver Counties in Pennsylvania.

On December 2, 2025, the Coalition for Affordable Utility Services and Energy Efficiency in Pennsylvania (CAUSE-PA) filed a Petition to Intervene and Answer.

On December 4, 2025, counsel for the Office of Small Business Advocate (OSBA) filed a Notice of Appearance. On the same date, counsel for the Office of Consumer Advocate (OCA) filed Notices of Appearance.

On December 9, 2025, Peoples Natural Gas Company LLC (Peoples) filed a notice of substitution of counsel.

The OCA and OSBA filed Notices of Intervention and Public Statements on December 12, 2025 and December 19, 2025, respectively.

On December 29, 2025, a Telephonic Prehearing Conference Notice was issued, scheduling a prehearing conference for January 6, 2026.

On December 30, 2025, a Prehearing Conference Order was issued.

On January 5, 2026, the Keystone Energy Efficiency Alliance (KEEA) filed a Petition to Intervene and Answer.

A prehearing conference was held as scheduled on January 6, 2026. Duquesne Light, OCA, OSBA, CAUSE-PA and Peoples were present and represented by counsel.

No party objected to the Petition to Intervene of CAUSE-PA, and the Petition was granted during the prehearing conference.

On January 6, 2026, KEEA filed a Notice of Appearance. On the same date, Peoples filed a Petition to Intervene.

On January 9, 2026, the Commission issued a Secretarial Letter tolling the 45-day deadline to review proposed Conservation Service Provider (CSP) contracts² and requesting Duquesne Light's response to a data request issued on the same date.

A Scheduling Order was issued on January 9, 2026, setting a litigation schedule and discovery rule modifications, and detailing other matters. Also on January 9, 2026, the Commission issued a Hearing Notice scheduling an evidentiary hearing for February 4, 2026.

As no party objected to the Petitions to Intervene by KEEA and Peoples by January 13, 2026, both Petitions were deemed granted pursuant to the Scheduling Order.

On January 16, 2026, the Coalition for Equitable Energy and Housing in Pennsylvania, and the Energy Advocates filed comments on the Phase V Plan. On January 18, 2026, RMI and Clean Air Council filed comments on the Phase V Plan.

On January 23, 2026, Duquesne Light filed confidential responses to the Commission's data request.

On February 2, 2026, Duquesne Light's counsel emailed the undersigned advising that all parties agreed to waive cross-examination.

On February 4, 2026, the evidentiary hearing was convened as scheduled. All parties were present and represented by counsel. Upon motion by Duquesne Light, OCA, OSBA, CAUSE-PA and KEEA, the undersigned admitted the Company's Phase V Plan and all pre-served testimony and exhibits into the record. The parties were instructed that, if a

² One CSP contract is contained in Section 13 (Confidential) of Duquesne Light's Phase V Plan filed on December 1, 2025. Petition ¶ 3.

settlement was reached, the settlement and all appropriate settlement documents should be filed on or before February 13, 2026.

On February 5, 2026, the Commission issued a Secretarial Letter approving the CSP contract between Duquesne Light and Guidehouse Inc. for Evaluation Measurement and Verification services.

On February 9, 2026, counsel for Duquesne Light emailed the undersigned advising that the parties had reached an unopposed settlement in principle in this matter.

On February 13, 2026, Duquesne Light, OCA, OSBA, and CAUSE-PA (Settling Parties) filed a Joint Petition for Full Settlement (Settlement). The Settlement includes statements in support by the Settling Parties and indicates that the other parties to this proceeding, KEEA and Peoples, do not oppose the Settlement. Settlement ¶ 1, n.1.

On February 23, 2026, Duquesne Light filed and served the undersigned with a Revised Phase V Energy Efficiency & Conservation Plan (Revised Plan).

ORDER

THEREFORE,

IT IS ORDERED THAT THE FOLLOWING DOCUMENTS COMPRISE THE EVIDENTIARY RECORD IN THIS CASE:

1. Petition of Duquesne Light Company for Approval of Its Phase V Energy Efficiency and Conservation Plan filed on December 1, 2025
2. Duquesne Light Company's Phase V Energy Efficiency and Conservation Plan, including Section 13 (Confidential), filed on December 1, 2025
3. Coalition for Affordable Utility Services and Energy Efficiency in Pennsylvania's Petition to Intervene and Answer filed on December 2, 2025
4. Office of Small Business Advocate's Notice of Appearance filed on December 4, 2025
5. Office of Consumer Advocate's Notices of Appearance filed on December 4, 2025
6. Peoples Natural Gas Company LLC's notice of substitution of counsel filed on December 9, 2025
7. Office of Consumer Advocate's Notice of Intervention and Public Statement filed on December 12, 2025
8. Office of Small Business Advocate's Notice of Intervention and Public Statement filed on December 19, 2025

9. Telephonic Prehearing Conference Notice issued on December 29, 2025
10. Prehearing Conference Order issued on December 30, 2025
11. Keystone Energy Efficiency Alliance's Petition to Intervene and Answer filed on January 5, 2026
12. Keystone Energy Efficiency Alliance's Notice of Appearance filed on January 6, 2026
13. Peoples Natural Gas Company LLC's Petition to Intervene filed on January 6, 2026
14. Secretarial Letter issued on January 9, 2026
15. Scheduling Order issued on January 9, 2026
16. Evidentiary Hearing Notice issued on January 9, 2026
17. Coalition for Equitable Energy and Housing in Pennsylvania's comments on the Phase V Plan filed on January 16, 2026
18. Energy Advocate's comments on the Phase V Plan filed on January 16, 2026
19. RMI's comments on the Phase V Plan filed on January 18, 2026
20. Clean Air Council's comments on the Plan filed on January 18, 2026
21. Duquesne St. 1 – Direct Testimony of David Defide, with verification

22. Duquesne St. 2 – Direct Testimony of David Ogden, including Exhibits DBO-1 through DBO-4, with verification
23. Duquesne St. 1-R – Rebuttal Testimony of David Defide, with verification
24. OCA St. 1 – Direct Testimony of Zack Tyler, including Attachment A and Exhibit A, with verifications
25. OSBA St. 1-R – Rebuttal Testimony of Justin B. Farr, with verification
26. CAUSE-PA St. 1 – Direct Testimony of Jim Grevatt, including Appendices A and B, with verifications
27. KEEA St. 1 – Direct Testimony of Jeaneen Zappa, including Exhibits A (KEEA-1) and B (KEEA-2), with verification
28. Transcript of January 6, 2026 Prehearing Conference and February 4, 2026 Evidentiary Hearing.
29. Secretarial Letter issued on February 5, 2026
30. The Joint Petition for Full Settlement filed by Duquesne Light Company LLC, Office of Consumer Advocate, Office of Small Business Advocate, and Coalition for Affordable Utility Services and Energy Efficiency in Pennsylvania filed on February 13, 2026

31. Duquesne Light Company's Revised Phase V Energy Efficiency & Conservation Plan served upon the undersigned and submitted for filing with the Commission's Secretary's Bureau on February 23, 2026

Date: February 24, 2026

/s/
Erin L. Gannon
Administrative Law Judge

**M-2025-3057325 - DUQUESNE LIGHT COMPANY ACT 129 PHASE V ENERGY
EFFICIENCY & CONSERVATION PLAN**

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