

**BEFORE THE
PENNSYLVANIA PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION**

Kristine Cardaci	:	
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v.	:	C-2025-3056935
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PPL Electric Utilities Corporation	:	

**INTERIM ORDER
GRANTING MOTION OF PPL ELECTRIC TO COMPEL
RESPONSES TO INTERROGATORIES AND DOCUMENT REQUESTS**

On February 25, 2026, the Respondent, PPL Electric Utilities Corporation, filed a certificate of service indicating that it served to the Complainant Interrogatories and Requests for Production of Documents - Set I (discovery requests) via first class mail. In its discovery requests, Respondent sought information and documents related to Ms. Cardaci’s allegations. Pursuant to the Commission’s discovery rules, Complainant’s objections were due by March 10, 2026, and her responses were due by March 20, 2026.¹

On April 21, 2026, the Respondent filed a Motion to Compel Responses to Discovery Propounded on Complainant – Set I (Motion to Compel). PPL’s discovery requests are attached as Exhibit A to the Motion to Compel. The Respondent avers that, on April 10, 2026, PPL mailed a letter to the Complainant asking for the status of her responses to the discovery requests and asking the Complainant to reply by April 17, 2026, either with the responses or with an alternative proposal for submitting responses. Motion to Compel ¶ 23. PPL avers that it has not received a response to its April 10, 2026 letter and that Ms. Cardaci has not provided any responses to the discovery requests. Motion to Compel ¶¶ 23-24. The Motion to Compel contained a Notice to Plead, requiring the Complainant to file a response within five days. The Complainant did not submit any response to the Motion to Compel.

¹ These deadlines reflect that 3 days were added to the deadlines prescribed by the Commission’s regulations because the discovery was served to the Complainant by first-class mail. 52 Pa. Code § 1.56(b).

The Commission's regulations permit the discovery of "any matter, not privileged, which is relevant to the subject matter involved in the pending action." 52 Pa. Code § 5.321(c). Generally speaking, the Commission applies a standard of relevance which is less restrictive than that required by parties to present information into the evidentiary record. *Id.*

Upon review of PPL's discovery requests, it appears that they are relatively simple and straightforward. They are directly relevant and material to the issues raised by Complainant in her Complaint. The Respondent has due process rights that must be protected and is entitled to the requested information.

Ms. Cardaci shall submit full and complete responses to all the discovery requests. They must be served to counsel for PPL by May 18, 2026. Objections do not count as "full and complete." The Complainant had the opportunity to file objections to the discovery requests but failed to do so. Ms. Cardaci must now submit full and complete substantive answers.

The Commission has held that parties must comply with the orders of an administrative law judge, and a complainant's failure to do so is a sufficient basis to support dismissal of the matter. *Snyderville Community Development Corporation v. Philadelphia Gas Works*, Docket No. C-20055032 (Opinion and Order entered July 31, 2006). Complainant's failure to comply with this Order may result in additional sanctions, up to and including dismissal of the Complaint without a hearing.

Under the circumstances, the following order will be entered.

THEREFORE,

IT IS ORDERED:

1. That the Motion of PPL Electric Utilities Corporation to Compel Responses to Discovery Propounded on Complainant – Set I is granted.
2. That the Complainant shall serve upon counsel for Respondent, full and complete responses to all of the Interrogatories and Requests for Production of Documents, Set I, served upon the Complainant by PPL Electric Utilities Corporation, not later than May 18, 2026.
3. That Complainant shall file and serve upon counsel for Respondent and the undersigned presiding officer, a certificate of service evidencing service of Complainant's discovery responses upon Respondent, not later than May 18, 2026.

Date: May 8, 2026

_____/s/
Erin L. Gannon
Administrative Law Judge

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