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The Honorable Alphonso Arnold III  
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Re: Stacey & Joe Harbaugh v. PECO Energy Company-Electric  
Docket# C-2025-3057378  
Petition to Withdraw Complaint

Your Honor:

We still wish to withdraw our complaint against PECO at this time for the following reasons: during the initial hearing on March 26, 2026, PECO objected to the vast majority of our 119-page evidence document. We were not even allowed to speak our opening statement without “objection” being *yelled* at us by PECO’s attorney over and over. We were not allowed to speak numbers at all – even though numbers, amounts, costs, and time was pertinent to our claim. PECO’s counsel deemed most of our evidence as “hearsay” even though we had witness statements, witnesses present, and various forms of proof that were dismissed. This entire process has been biased against us because we could not afford our own counsel. We were completely misled by the PUC as we were encouraged by the PUC itself to file a formal complaint and told by more than one PUC employee that we did not need our own lawyer. That was obviously false as we were completely railroaded during the first 2½ hours of our opening statement and testimony. The PUC’s own investigator, Tasha Houtz, put it in writing on September 3, 2025, when she said, “I recommend you proceed with a formal complaint.” However, that letter was thrown out along with most of our evidence – even though it was from the PUC and the PUC has that on file from their own employee! We were also told by Mediator Rhoades on January 12, 2026, that we did not need an attorney for a PUC trial. That phone call was also thrown away as part of our opening statement. We were not allowed to speak together at all during our opening statement or presentation of evidence even though we are co-claimants and experienced and presented the case together. We were yelled at by PECO’s attorney because we were trying to communicate with each other when either of us was confused during the process. The PECO attorney was allowed almost free reign to run the hearing.

As consumers and PA citizens, the PUC was supposed to be here to support us, but instead we were completely shut down even with all our evidence. We both felt completely ill after the hearing, and we do not want to subject ourselves to

another hearing like what we just experienced. The stress over not being allowed to speak our truth and prove our claim was overwhelming. We could not afford our own attorney because of the damage PECO cost us to our HVAC!

Since we were made aware that PECO will have 10 days to object to this request to withdraw, we will not be surprised if they do so. However, there is no reason other than to further decimate us and our case for them to object.

Please accept our withdrawal even though we believe the faulty PECO switch that was replaced on August 7, 2025, was responsible for our HVAC damage.

Thank you,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Stacey & Joe Harbaugh". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name "Stacey" being more prominent.

Stacey & Joe Harbaugh

cc: Margaret A. Morris, Esquire