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REFER TO OUR FILE

M-2026-3059601

October 13, 2026

Karen Feridun
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Karen Elias
Co-Founder
No False Climate Solutions PA

Re: Petition of Better Path Coalition and No False Climate Solutions PA for an
Expedited Order Granting an Extension of Time to File Comments
Docket M-2026-3059601

Dear Mss. Feridun and Elias:

With this Secretarial Letter and for the reasons expressed below, the Pennsylvania Public Utility Commission (Commission) is denying the joint petition of Better Path Coalition (BPC) and No False Climate Solutions PA (NFCS) for an extension of time for all stakeholders to file comments in the above-referenced proceeding.

On October 5, 2026, BPC and NFCS, acting on behalf of their members, requested that the Commission grant an extension of time of thirty (30) days, *i.e.*, until November 6, 2026, for all commentators to file comments to the Preliminary Phase 1 Report of the Pennsylvania Accelerated Transmission and Energy Redevelopment (PATER) Study at Docket M-2026-3059601. In support of their petition, BPC and NFCS state the following:

As it is stated in the Pennsylvania Bulletin, the comment deadline of October 14 was set based on the date when the preliminary report was filed, September 28, six days before the notice appeared in the Pennsylvania Bulletin. The current deadline falls one week after the hearing set for October 7.

The propos[ed] redevelopment of coal, natural gas, and peaker plants affects communities in proximity of the following 21 communities:

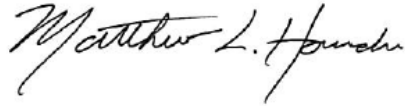
- Armstrong County:** Armstrong Power Station (coal)
- Beaver County:** AES Beavery Valley Partners Beaver Valley (coal)
- Beaver County:** FR Phillips (coal)
- Blair County:** Williamsburg (coal)
- Cambria County:** Cambria Cogeneration (coal waste)
- Centre County:** Milesburg (fuel oil)
- Chester County:** Cromby Generating Station (coal)
- Clarion County:** Piney Creek (coal waste)
- Clinton County:** Lock Haven (PennPower) (fuel oil)
- Crawford County:** Wayne (fuel oil)
- Cumberland County:** West Shore (fuel oil)
- Erie County:** Erie Mill (coal)
- Erie County:** North East Cogeneration Plant (natural gas)
- Greene County:** Hatfield Ferry Power Station (coal)
- Luzerne County:** Jenkins (fuel oil)
- Luzerne County:** Martins Creek LLC Harwood (fuel oil)
- Luzerne County:** Stanton (coal)
- Montgomery County:** Barbados (natural gas)
- Philadelphia:** Jefferson Smurfit Corp JSC (fuel oil)
- Washington County:** Elrama Power Plant (coal)
- Washington County:** Mitchell Power Station (coal)

The short comment period that begins based on a date six days before the public was informed of the proposed redevelopment and ends a week after the only hearing on the matter is completely insufficient and unfair under any circumstances, but more so when people from so many communities would be directly affected.

In light of the tight timeframe within which the Commission must file PATER Study Final Reports, and because there is a 30-day period for the public to provide comments regarding the Preliminary Phase 2 Report of the PATER Study, the Commission denies BPC's and NFCS's joint petition for an extension of time for all interested parties to file comments. Accordingly, BPC and NFCS must submit comments

to the Preliminary Phase 1 Report of the PATER Study by the original deadline of October 14, 2026. Questions may be directed to Kriss E. Brown, kribrown@pa.gov.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Matthew L. Homsher". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name "Matthew" being the most prominent part.

Matthew L. Homsher
Secretary

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