PUC Public Meeting Summary

A Public Meeting Summary for 11/6/09

Chairman James H. Cawley Vice Chairman Tyrone J. Christy and Commissioners Kim Pizzingrilli, Wayne E. Gardner and Robert F. Powelson June Perry, Director of Legislative Affairs 9717-787-3256 Tom Charles, Manager of Communications 9717-787-9504 www.puc.state.pa.us

Approved applications for Jetway Transport Inc. (Montgomery County); A Touch of Class Limousines (Adams and Franklin counties); Mid-Atlantic Limousine Inc. (Chester County); Access2Care LLC; Paradise Transit Inc. (Chester County); 3R Development; Employers' Energy Alliance of Pennsylvania Inc.; Mountain Communications LLC; and Bluestar Energy Services Inc.

Denied applications for Pennsylvania Energy Savings Corp./Just Energy Pennsylvania Corp.

Approved applications for discontinuance of service for Moshannon Valley EMS (Centre, Clearfield and Blair counties); Moving Right Along (Lehigh County); Bedford Transit Inc. (Bedford County); Faye A. Wise (Lancaster County); Northern EMS (Cambria and Somerset counties); Mary E. Russell (Lancaster County); and Pannon Telecom Inc.

Sustained complaints, canceled certificates and/ or imposed fines in Bureau of Transportation and Safety (BTS) vs. Beninati Transport Corp. (Allegheny and Westmoreland counties).

Made public the management efficiency investigation report and implementation plan for Superior Water Co.

Adopted an opinion and order disposing of the issues raised in the proceeding regarding the joint petition for **Met-Ed** and **Penelec** for approval of their default service programs.

Approved 911 system renewal plans for Mercer and Venango counties.

Adopted the proposed order instituting an investigation into the proposed annual increase in revenues for **United Water Pennsylvania Inc**.

Adopted the proposed orders granting in part and denying in part the petitions for protective order regarding 2007 annual reports for CTC Communications Corp.; Fibernet Telecommunications of PA; Lightship Telecom LLC; Conversent Communications of PA; Interglobe Communications; Budget Phone; DSLnet Communications LLC; ACN Communication Services Inc.; and Cleartel Telecommunications Inc.

Adopted tentative orders revoking the respondent's certificate of public convenience following publication in the PA Bulletin in Law Bureau Prosecutory Staff (LBPS) vs. Marathon Communications Corp. and LBPS vs. Millenianet Corp.

Adopted a proposed policy statement for utility service outage public notification guidelines, regarding electric distribution company service outages and restoration practices and issued it for comment.

Adopted a proposed rulemaking order for revisions of 52 Pa. Code Chapters 57, 59, 65 and 67 pertaining to utilities' service outage response and restoration practices.

Adopted the ALJ's initial decisions dismissing the complaint for failure to satisfy the burden of proof in Oliver Michael Solomon vs. **Duquesne** Light Co.; and approving the settlement regarding the joint application



for transfer of control of **Denver & Ephrata Telephone**, **Buffalo Valley Telephone**, **Conestoga Telephone** and **D&E Systems** to **Windstream Communications**.

Adopted the motion of Vice Chairman Christy modifying the settlement regarding the annual purchased gas cost filing of June 1, 2009, for UGI Utilities Inc.

Adopted a motion of Commissioner Pizzingrilli regarding the case of Abdol Rajaei Rizi vs. Verizon Pennsylvania, modifying the initial decision by deleting the discussion of the merits.

Adopted a motion of Commissioner Pizzingrilli regarding the case of Teresa Reich vs. Met-Ed, modifying the initial decision by deleting the discussion of the merits.

Adopted a motion of Commissioner Pizzingrilli regarding the case of Gary Meyers vs. Duquesne Light Co. modifying the initial decision consistent with the motion, striking Conclusion of Law No. 2 from the initial decision.

Adopted the proposed order in Cooperative Legislative Committee et al vs. **Trustees of the Property of Penn Central Transportation Co.**, regarding the impact of the Federal Railroad Administration regulation passed in 2008.

Adopted a motion of Commissioner Pizzingrilli to undertake a review of the Commission's existing railroad regulations and to solicit input from affected stakeholders and requesting that a staff recommendation and proposed rulemaking regarding an update to the Commission's regulations be provided for Commission consideration within six months of the entry date of the Order so that the Commission may formally initiate the rulemaking process.

Directed Herman Oil & Gas Co. Inc. to bill a staff recommended gas cost rate of \$0.8017 per MCF and associated base gas cost of \$8.4783 per MCF to become effective with service rendered on or after Nov. 1, 2009.

Adopted a motion of Chairman Cawley regarding the joint application of the United Telephone Co. d/b/a Embarq Pennsylvania and Embarq Communications Inc. for approval of the indirect transfer of control to Century Tel Inc., directing that a tentative order be issued requesting comments on what Federal Communications Commission merger conditions be adopted in Pennsylvania.

Adopted the motion of Chairman Cawley to issue a proposed policy statement designed to achieve the state's solar renewable energy goals at least cost to Pennsylvania consumers and form a statewide working group.

Adopted the settlement approving the proposed rate increase for Pennsylvania American Water Company, which was lower than originally proposed.



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