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Rosemarie Chiavetta Secretary Pennsylvania Public Utility Commission P.O. Box 3265, Harrisburg, PA 17105-3265

RE: Docket No. - L-2014-2409385 and L-2014-2409383

Dear Secretary Chiavetta:

We are writing today in response to the Commission's March 18 and 19 Secretarial Letters soliciting comments on two proposed rulemakings to address and enhance the disclosures provided to consumers when shopping for an electric generation supplier and the time it takes to switch between suppliers. We applaud the Commission for moving forward so quickly to revise its regulations to ensure consumers receive accurate, easily understandable information regarding the terms of their contracts with a supplier. We also support a reduction in the time it takes to move between electric generation suppliers.

However, we intend to address these same issues legislatively and are concerned that regulatory changes implemented by the Commission on an expedited basis may result in redundancy or inconsistency with legislation enacted to improve the shopping process in Pennsylvania and strengthen consumer protections. Implementation of legislation will likely also require a Commission rulemaking and we encourage a measured and coordinated approach now that will mitigate unnecessary costs to the Commission, electric distribution companies and suppliers that are passed onto ratepayers.

Sincerely,

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