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PA PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION
SECRETARY'S BUREAU

Re: *Joint Application of West Penn Power Company doing business as Allegheny Power, Trans-Allegheny Interstate Line Company and FirstEnergy Corp. for a Certificate of Public Convenience Under Section 1102(A)(3) of the Public Utility Code Approving a Change of Control of West Penn Power Company and Trans-Allegheny Interstate Line Company; Docket Nos. A-2010-2176520, A-2010-2176732*

Dear Secretary Chiavetta:

In accordance with Paragraph 14 of the Joint Petition for Partial Settlement (“Settlement Agreement”) approved by the Commission when it approved the merger of Allegheny Energy, Inc. with Element Merger Sub. Inc., a wholly-owned subsidiary of FirstEnergy Corp. (“FirstEnergy”), in the above-referenced proceeding (“Merger”), FirstEnergy is hereby reporting to the Commission the FirstEnergy employment levels in Greensburg, Pennsylvania and Westmoreland County as of February 25, 2016. This represents the final report required under Paragraph 14 of the Settlement Agreement.

Paragraph 14 of the Settlement Agreement includes, in relevant part, the following commitment regarding Regional Headquarters and Employment Levels:

...[t]he net employment levels in Greensburg, Pennsylvania and Westmoreland County for all employees of FirstEnergy and its affiliates will be maintained as follows... *In the subsequent 24-month period, the average number of employees that have a primary reporting location in Greensburg, Pennsylvania and any new jobs since the Merger that are created in or moved to Westmoreland County will be no less than 600, less any employees who leave due to voluntary attrition...* For purposes of this calculation, the number of employees for each year will be the average of the number of employees with primary reporting locations in Greensburg, Pennsylvania, and any new jobs that are created in or moved to Westmoreland County for each month of the period being evaluated.¹


¹ Emphasis added to relevant section for purposes of this report.

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Pursuant to Paragraph 14 of the Settlement Agreement, FirstEnergy is pleased to report its achievement of the employment level commitment for the final reporting period following consummation of the Merger on February 25, 2011. Using the starting point of an average of no less than 600 employees that have a primary reporting location of Greensburg, Pennsylvania, less the 197 employees that have left FirstEnergy due to voluntary attrition, the employee commitment level required for this reporting period was 403 employees. As of February 25, 2016, the average monthly employment level of employees of FirstEnergy and its affiliates with primary reporting locations in Greensburg, Pennsylvania, and new jobs created in or moved to Westmoreland County was 580 employees, satisfying the final employment level commitment.

Please date stamp the enclosed additional copy of this report and return it to me in the enclosed, postage-prepaid envelope. If you have any questions regarding this matter, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Very truly yours,

Handwritten signature of Tori L. Giesler in cursive script, including a small flourish at the end.

Tori L. Giesler

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c: As Per Certificate of Service

**BEFORE THE
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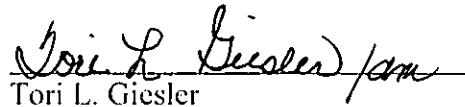
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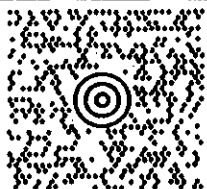
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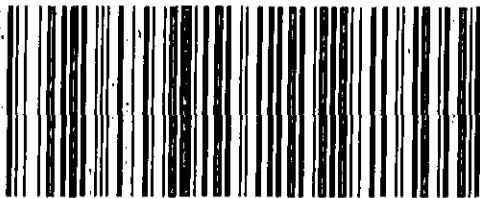
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