**BEFORE THE**

**PENNSYLVANIA PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION**

Petition of PPL Electric Utilities Corporation :

for Approval of its Act 129 Phase III Energy : M-2015-2515642

Efficiency and Conservation Plan :

**PREHEARING CONFERENCE ORDER**

A prehearing conference has been scheduled in this matter for Wednesday, February 7, 2018 at 10:00 a.m. in Hearing Room 2of the Commonwealth Keystone Building, 400 North Street, Harrisburg. In anticipation of the prehearing conference, and in accordance with the provisions of 66 Pa.C.S. §333 and 52 Pa.Code §§5.221-5.224, this prehearing conference order is being issued. The parties shall comply with the following:

1. All parties must serve me directly – by hard copy and email – with any document filed in this proceeding, including any documents filed with the Commission’s Secretary’s Bureau. Any documents or correspondence sent to me must also be sent to all other parties in the case. The current service list is attached to this order. Documents and correspondence should be sent to me at the following:

Benjamin J. Myers

Administrative Law Judge

Pennsylvania Public Utility Commission

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2. Pursuant to 52 Pa. Code §§1.21-1.23, you may represent yourself if you are an individual or you may have an attorney licensed to practice law in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, or admitted pro hac vice, represent you. However, if you are a partnership, corporation, trust, association, joint venture, other business organization, trust, trustee, legal representative, receiver, agency, governmental entity, municipality or other political subdivision, you must have an attorney licensed to practice law in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania or admitted pro hac vice represent you in this proceeding. Unless you are an attorney, you may not represent someone else. Attorneys shall ensure that their appearance is entered in accordance with the provisions of 52 Pa. Code § 1.24(b).

3. Pursuant to 52 Pa.Code §1.55, each party shall be limited to one entry on the service list. Parties shall provide the name, business address, business telephone number, business telefacsimile number (if any), and business e-mail address (if any) of the person they wish to have listed on the service list.

4. Failure of a party to participate in the conference shall constitute a waiver of all objections to the agreements reached, and any order or ruling made.

5. Please review the regulation pertaining to prehearing conferences, 52 Pa. Code § 5.222. Be prepared to discuss possibilities for settlement, discovery issues, issues relating to any hearings that may be held, service among parties and all other procedural issues relevant to this proceeding. In addition, note subsection (d), which provides, in part:

Parties and counsel will be expected to attend the conference fully prepared for a useful discussion of all problems involved in the proceeding, both procedural and substantive, and fully authorized to make commitments with respect thereto. 52 Pa. Code § 5.222(d).

6. The following matters shall be addressed at the prehearing conference:

a) Establishment of the official service list, and an informal e-mail distribution list.

b) Modification of the Commission’s rules pertaining to discovery (52 Pa. Code, Subchapter D) and subpoenas (52 Pa. Code §5.421).

c) Other matters that may aid in the orderly conduct and disposition of the proceeding and the furtherance of justice, including but not limited to the following:

1) Simplification of the issues;

2) The obtaining of admissions as to, or stipulations of, facts not in dispute, or the authenticity of documents which might properly shorten the hearing;

3) Limitations as to the number of witnesses;

4) Limitations of time and scope for direct and cross- examinations.

7. On or before January 31, 2018, each litigating party shall file and serve a prehearing memorandum which shall include:

a) The information described in Paragraph 3, above;

b) A statement regarding possible settlement of the case, subject to approval of the Pennsylvania Public Utility Commission;

c) A proposed plan and schedule of discovery;

d) Other proposed orders with respect to discovery;

e) A proposed schedule for the submission of written testimony, conducting an in-person hearing, and submission of briefs;

f) Names, business addresses, and telephone numbers of witnesses the party expects to call and the subject matter of each witness’ testimony;

g) A list of the issues and sub-issues of this proceeding which the party intends to address and a statement of the party’s position on each of the issues and sub-issues listed;

h) A statement describing the evidence the party proposes to present at hearing, relating the evidence to each of the issues and sub- issues the party intends to address.

8. Please review the regulations relating to discovery – specifically 52 Pa. Code § 5.331(b) – which provides, inter alia, that participants try to initiate discovery as early in the proceeding as possible – and 52 Pa. Code § 5.322 – which encourages parties to exchange information on an informal basis. The parties are expected to pursue resolution of discovery issues among themselves; motions to compel should be filed only after such efforts have failed.

9. Any request for a change of the scheduled prehearing conference date shall state the agreement or opposition of other parties, and shall be submitted in writing no later than five (5) days prior to the prehearing conference. 52 Pa. Code §1.15(b). Requests for change must be sent to me, with copies to all parties of record.

Date: December 8, 2017

Benjamin J. Myers

Administrative Law Judge

**M-2015-2515642 - PETITION OF PPL ELECTRIC UTILITIES CORPORATION FOR APPROVAL OF ITS ACT 129 PHASE III ENERGY EFFICIENCY & CONSERVATION PLAN.**

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