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Rosemary Chiavetta, Secretary
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Re: Joint Default Service Plan for Citizens' Electric Company of
Lewisburg, PA and Wellsboro Electric Company for the Period
June 1, 2021 through May 21, 2025
Docket Nos. P-2020-3019383
P-2020-3019384

Dear Secretary Chiavetta:

Attached for electronic filing please find the Office of Consumer Advocate's Notice of Intervention and Public Statement in the above-referenced proceedings.

Copies have been served per the attached Certificate of Service.

Respectfully submitted,

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Certificate of Service

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

Re: Joint Default Service Plan for Citizens' Electric :
Company of Lewisburg, PA and Wellsboro : Docket Nos. P-2020-3019383
Electric Company for the Period June 1, 2021 : P-2020-3019384
through May 21, 2025 :

I hereby certify that I have this day served a true copy of the following document, the Office of Consumer Advocate's Notice of Intervention and Public Statement, upon parties of record in this proceeding in accordance with the requirements of 52 Pa. Code § 1.54 (relating to service by a participant), in the manner and upon the persons listed below:

Dated this 29th day of April 2020.

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BEFORE THE
PENNSYLVANIA PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION

Joint Default Service Plan for Citizens' Electric :
Company of Lewisburg, PA and Wellsboro : Docket Nos. P-2020-3019383
Electric Company for the Period June 1, 2021 : P-2020-3019384
through May 21, 2025 :

NOTICE OF INTERVENTION
OF THE
OFFICE OF CONSUMER ADVOCATE

Pursuant to 52 Pa. Code §§ 5.71-74, the Office of Consumer Advocate hereby gives Notice of Intervention in the above-captioned proceedings. A copy of all correspondence and notices, documents, orders or other communications with respect to the above-captioned proceeding should be addressed to the following:

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PUBLIC STATEMENT OF THE
OFFICE OF CONSUMER ADVOCATE
PURSUANT TO 71 P.S. SECTION 309-4(e)

Act 161 of the Pennsylvania General Assembly, 71 P.S. Section 309-2 *et seq.*, as enacted July 9, 1976, authorizes the Consumer Advocate to represent the interests of consumers before the Pennsylvania Public Utility Commission (Commission). In accordance with Act 161, and for the following reasons, the Acting Consumer Advocate has determined to file an Answer and intervene in the proceedings before the Commission involving the Citizens' Electric Company of Lewisburg, PA (Citizens) and Wellsboro Electric Company (Wellsboro) (collectively, the Companies).

On March 31, 2020, the Companies filed with the Commission a Petition for approval of their Sixth Joint Default Service Plan. The proposed Default Service Plan is for the period of June 1, 2021 through May 31, 2025. The Companies propose to conduct a competitive bid process and enter into index-based contracts with one or more wholesale suppliers to serve all default service customers. Under this proposal, the underlying wholesale contract would be adjusted throughout the period of the plan based on changes in the PJM Interconnection, LLC West hub on-peak monthly forward pricing. For Residential and Small Commercial customers, these changes would occur every six-month months.

The Acting Consumer Advocate determined to intervene in this proceeding to protect the interests of the Companies' residential customers to ensure that the Plan meets the requirements of Act 129 and that the rates resulting from this proceeding are just, reasonable and consistent with Pennsylvania law.