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BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION & ENFORCEMENT

April 4, 2022

Via Electronic Filing

Rosemary Chiavetta, Secretary Pennsylvania Public Utility Commission Commonwealth Keystone Building 400 North Street Harrisburg, PA 17120

> Re: Letter Petition of Duquesne Light Company to Temporarily Increase Hardship Fund Grants for Duquesne Light Company's Eligible Customers Docket No. P-2022-3031621
> Docket No. M-2019-3008227
> Docket No. R-2021-3024750
> I&E Answer to Letter Petition

Dear Secretary Chiavetta:

Please be advised that the Bureau of Investigation and Enforcement ("I&E") opposes the Letter Petition of the Duquesne Light Company ("Duquesne" or "Company") to Temporarily Increase Hardship Fund Grants for Duquesne Light Company's Eligible Customers ("Letter Petition") filed with the Commission on March 28, 2022.

More specifically, I&E opposes the introduction of an age criteria into the Hardship Fund eligibility criteria (Letter Petition, p. 2, criteria 3 and 4). Duquesne proposes to add an age criteria (plus or minus age 62) into the eligibility criteria that was not agreed to in discussions or negotiations in either the previous M-Docket or R-Docket proceeding.

Otherwise, but for the opposition noted above, I&E does not object to the remainder of the proposed temporary changes as stated in Duquesne's March 28, 2022 Letter Petition.

Copies are being served on the parties of record as evidenced in the attached Certificate of Service. Should you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,

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SBG/jfm Enclosure

cc: Per Certificate of Service

BEFORE THE PENNSYLVANIA PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that I am serving the foregoing **I&E Answer to Petition** dated April 4, 2022, in the manner and upon the persons listed below:

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