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August 30, 2012

Rosemary Chiavetta, Secretary Pennsylvania Public Utility Commission Commonwealth Keystone Building 400 North Street Harrisburg, PA 17101

Re:

Petition of PECO Energy For an Evidentiary Hearing on the Energy Efficiency

Benchmarks Established for the Period June

1, 2013 through May 31, 2016 Docket No. P-2012-2320334

Dear Secretary Chiavetta:

Enclosed please find the Office of Consumer Advocate's Notice of Intervention and Public Statement in the above-captioned proceeding.

Copies have been served upon all parties of record as shown on the attached Certificate of Service.

Sincerely,

Jennedy S. Johnson

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Enclosures

cc: Hon. Elizabeth H. Barnes, ALJ Kriss E. Brown, Law Bureau Office of Special Assistants 160191

BEFORE THE PENNSYLVANIA PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION

Petition of PECO Energy

For an Evidentiary Hearing on the Energy

Efficiency Benchmarks Established for the

Period June 1, 2013 through May 31, 2016

Docket No. P-2012-2320334

NOTICE OF INTERVENTION

Pursuant to 52 Pa. Code Sections 5.71-74, the Office of Consumer Advocate hereby gives Notice of Intervention in the above-captioned proceeding. 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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DATED: August 30, 2012

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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 General Assembly, 71 P.S. §09-2, 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 Consumer Advocate determined to Intervene in the Petition of PECO Energy Company for an Evidentiary Hearing at Docket No. P-2012-2320334.

On August 20, 2012, PECO Energy Company (PECO or Company) filed a Petition for an Evidentiary Hearing in response to the Commission's August 3, 2012 Implementation Order at Docket No. M-2012-2284911. Pursuant to Act 129 of 2008 (Act 129), 66 Pa.C.S. Section 2801 *et seq.*, the August 3rd Implementation Order (Order) established the requirements for Phase II of the Act 129 Energy Efficiency plans, including the establishment of new consumption reduction targets for the period June 1, 2013 through May 31, 2016. The Order stated that an EDC could submit a Petition for Evidentiary Hearing no later than August 20, 2012 for the limited purpose of challenging these consumption reduction requirements. If no Petition was filed, the consumption reduction requirements would be deemed accepted. Order at 31.

The OCA submits that the scope of this proceeding should be limited to the evaluation of the proposed consumption reduction requirements pursuant to the August 3rd Order. The Consumer Advocate determined to intervene in this proceeding to protect the interests of the PECO's customers and to ensure that any energy efficiency benchmarks established are in accordance with Act 129 and all other applicable, statutes, regulations and case law.

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

Re: Petition of PECO Energy For an Evidentiary Hearing on the Energy Efficiency Benchmarks Established for the Period June 1, 2013 through May 31, 2016 Docket No. P-2012-2320334

I hereby certify that I have this day served a true copy of the foregoing 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 30th day of August 2012.

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