PENNSYLVANIA PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION Harrisburg, Pennsylvania 17120

Petition of Duquesne Light Company for Approval of its Default Service Plan for the Period from June 1, 2021 through May 31, 2025 Public Meeting held January 14, 2021 3019522-OSA Docket No. P-2020-3019522

STATEMENT OF CHAIRMAN GLADYS BROWN DUTRIEUILLE

Before the Pennsylvania Public Utility Commission (Commission) is the Petition of Duquesne Light Company (Duquesne or the Company) for approval of its Default Service Plan (DSP).

First, I wish to commend Duquesne for its inclusion of long-term contracts within its DSP. The inclusion of long-term contracts, or the substantiation of omitting long-term contracts, has been a key factor in my review in default service proceedings. Duquesne proposes to enter into a solar power purchase agreement (Solar PPA) in a length ranging from four to 20 years. The Solar PPA would be designed to purchase energy and alternative energy credits from a third-party owned facility sized up to seven megawatts. The Company would conduct a competitive solicitation for the Solar PPA and report any results to the Commission for final approval. I submit that this long-term Solar PPA, mixed with the proposed portfolio of spot market, three-month, 12-month, and 24-month contracts meets the requirements under 2807(e) of the Public Utility Code.

I also commend Duquesne for its proposal to offer an Electric Vehicle Time-of-Use Pilot Program (Pilot). The Pilot would be available to all residential, small commercial, and medium commercial customers with an electric vehicle. The Pilot includes three tiers of rates and is designed to incentivize charging overnight. I look forward to seeing how this Pilot is received by Duquesne's customers.

In conclusion, I am pleased to offer my support for Duquesne's DSP.

January 14, 2021

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