BEFORE THE

PENNSYLVANIA PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION

Petition of Philadelphia Gas Works for :

Approval of Demand-Side Management :

Plan for FY 2024-2026 :

: P-2014-2459362

Philadelphia Gas Works Universal Service :

and Energy Conservation Plan for 2014-2016, :

52 Pa.Code § 62.4 – Request for Waivers :

# **ORDER**

On June 16, 2023, Philadelphia Gas Works (“PGW” or “Company”) filed with the Pennsylvania Public Utility Commission (Commission) its Demand Side Management Implementation Plan for Fiscal Years 2024-2026 (“FY24-26 Plan”), which described program budgets and implementation details that PGW will follow to implement its EnergySense Demand-Side Management Portfolio from September 1, 2023 to August 31, 2026.

On July 5, 2023, the Coalition for Affordable Utility Services and Energy Efficiency in Pennsylvania (CAUSE-PA), through its counsel, filed a Petition to Intervene and Answer.

On July 6, 2023, the Office of Consumer Advocate (OCA), through its counsel, filed an Answer.

On July 10, 2023, the Office of Small Business Advocate (OSBA), through its counsel, filed a Notice of Intervention, Public Statement, and Notice of Appearance.

On July 26, 2023, the Tenant Union Representative Network (TURN), through its counsel, filed a Petition to Intervene.

On July 27, 2023, PGW submitted a letter requesting that it be allowed to delay implementation of the FY24-26 Plan and instead maintain its currently effective Plan (“FY21-23 Plan”) until it receives Commission approval to implement the FY24-26 Plan.

By Call-In Telephonic Prehearing Conference Notice dated August 3, 2023, a telephonic prehearing was scheduled for August 16, 2023, and the matter was assigned to me.

On August 14, 2023, the Philadelphia Industrial and Commercial Gas Users Group (PICGUG), through its counsel, filed a Petition to Intervene.

On August 15, 2023, in accordance with a Prehearing Conference Order dated August 3, 2023, PGW, the Bureau of Investigation and Enforcement (I&E), OCA, OSBA, PICGUG, TURN, and CAUSE-PA submitted prehearing memoranda.

A prehearing conference was held on August 16, 2023. Counsel for PGW, I&E, OCA, OSBA, PICGUG, TURN, and CAUSE-PA participated.

This order sets forth the procedural matters addressed at the prehearing conference.

THEREFORE,

IT IS ORDERED:

1. That the Petitions to Intervene of CAUSE-PA, TURN, and PICGUG, being unopposed, are granted;
2. That the parties of record as of this date are PGW, I&E, OCA, OSBA, PICGUG, TURN, and CAUSE-PA;
3. That the parties may arrange service amongst themselves as they agree.
4. That discovery shall be conducted according to the Commission’s rules and regulations (52 Pa. Code § 5.321 et seq).
5. That the following schedule is adopted:

Prehearing Conference August 16, 2023

PGW Direct Testimony September 27, 2023

Non-Company Direct Testimony November 13, 2023

All parties’ Rebuttal Testimony December 14, 2023

Surrebuttal Testimony January 11, 2024

Telephonic Evidentiary Hearings January 17-18, 2024

Main Briefs February 20, 2024

Reply Briefs March 12, 2024

1. That PGW shall maintain its currently effective FY21-23 Plan until it receives Commission approval to implement its FY24-26 Plan.
2. That the parties are to confer amongst themselves in an attempt to resolve all or some of the issues associated with this proceeding. The parties are reminded it is the Commission’s policy to encourage settlements. 52 Pa. Code § 5.231(a). The parties are strongly urged to seriously explore this possibility. If a settlement is reached, a joint settlement petition executed by representatives of all parties to be bound thereby, together with statements in support of settlement by all signatory parties, must be filed with the Secretary for the Commission and served on the presiding officer.

Date: August 18, 2023 /s/

F. Joseph Brady

Administrative Law Judge

**P-2014-2459362 - PETITION OF PHILADELPHIA GAS WORKS FOR APPROVAL OF DEMAND-SIDE MANAGEMENT PLAN FOR FY 2024-2026 AND PHILADELPHIA GAS WORKS UNIVERSAL SERVICE AND ENERGY CONSERVATION PLAN FOR 2014-2016, 52 PA. CODE § 62.4 – REQUEST FOR WAIVERS**

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