



COMMONWEALTH OF PENNSYLVANIA PENNSYLVANIA PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION SECRETARY'S BUREAU COMMONWEALTH KEYSTONE BULDING 2ND FLOOR ROOM N201 HARRISBURG, PA 17120

April 12, 2025

To: All Electric Distribution Companies, Statutory Advocates.

Re: Notice of En Banc Hearing Concerning Interconnection and Tariffs for Large

Load Customers – Docket Number: M-2025-3054271

The Pennsylvania Public Utility Commission will convene an *En Banc* Hearing on April 24, 2025, beginning at 1 p.m. (EST) in Hearing Room 1 of the Commonwealth Keystone Building, 2nd Floor, 400 North Street, Harrisburg, Pennsylvania 17120.

The intent of the hearing is to educate and inform the Commission on the prudent design of a large load customer model tariff. The Commission seeks testimony and comment on topics such as:

- Appropriate MW size designations for large load tariffs
- Deposits or financial security from large load customers
- Appropriate calculations of contributions in aid of construction
- Minimum contract terms
- Maximum times for interconnection studies and agreements
- Appropriate fees or expenses for interconnection studies
- Load ramping schedules for customers that may phase in their usage
- Exit or early termination fees
- Distinctions in tariff designs for firm service versus interruptible large load customers
- Large customers bringing primary or back-up generation to serve their load, and any prudent standby rates
- Transparent cost structures for interconnection
- Optionality for infrastructure upgrades to be made directly by prospective interconnecting large load customers, and appropriate tariff subcategories to accommodate such option
- Expedited interconnection for users willing to construct infrastructure or system upgrades at their own expense
- Best practices learned from other jurisdictions
- Any other procedures, rules, or tariff designs that can facilitate the efficient and timely interconnection of this unique category of electric customers

The Commission's Office of Administrative Law Judge will facilitate the hearing, which will be transcribed and recorded. This hearing is not an adversarial proceeding and parties may be represented by a partner, *bona fide* officer of a corporation, or officer or employee of a government entity, in lieu of an attorney. *See* 52 Pa. Code § 1.21(c) (relating to appearance). The hearing is open to the public. An agenda, including times for panels along with names of those testifying will be released at a date preceding the hearing. Individuals selected to testify shall file their testimony to the docket number no later than April 23, 2025. All documents related to the hearing, including the comments and the final agenda for the hearing, will be posted on the Commission's website, www.puc.pa.gov, for public viewing. The *En Banc* hearing will be live streamed with access available through the PUC's website.

Following the *En Banc* Hearing, there will be a thirty-day (30) comment period for interested parties to file comments with the Secretary of the Commission at the Docket Number M-2025-3054271. At the conclusion of the comment period, there will be a fifteen-day (15) day comment period for interested parties to file reply comments with the Secretary of the Commission at Docket Number M-2025-3054271.

All testimony and comments should be filed by opening and using an efiling account through the Commission's website, or mailed to the Secretary by overnight delivery.

Sincerely,

Rosemary Chiavetta

Secretary

cc: Chairman's Office
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