

**PENNSYLVANIA PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION
HARRISBURG, PENNSYLVANIA 17105-3265**

**Natural Gas Distribution Companies and
Promotion of Competitive Retail Markets**

**PUBLIC MEETING
July 29, 2010
2069114-LAW
Docket No. L-2008-2069114
I-00040103F0002**

MOTION OF COMMISSIONER JOHN F. COLEMAN, JR.

On March 27, 2009, the Commission issued a proposed rulemaking order at this docket for the purpose of fostering a competitive retail marketplace for natural gas service. The Commission received comments from twenty interested stakeholders and the Independent Regulatory Review Commission. These parties recommended a number of significant changes to the proposed rules. Commission staff agrees with many of these suggestions, and has made many changes to the proposed rules, including the elimination of entire sections. Given the scope of these changes, and the great importance of the final rules, I am interested in providing stakeholders one additional opportunity to comment. I would recommend that the final rulemaking order prepared by staff be converted to an advance notice of final rulemaking, and issued for public comment.¹ Comments will be due within 30 days of the entry of this order. Comments shall be limited to the changes made from the proposed rulemaking order, and reply comments will not be accepted.

THEREFORE, I MOVE THAT:

1. The Law Bureau prepare an Order consistent with this Motion.
2. The Order be served on all parties who filed comments to the Proposed Rulemaking Order of March 27, 2009.

July 29, 2010
Date

JOHN F. COLEMAN, JR., COMMISSIONER

¹ For a prior example of an advance notice of final rulemaking, see *Rulemaking Re Electric Distribution Companies' Obligation to Serve Retail Customers at the Conclusion of the Transition Period Pursuant To 66 Pa.C.S. § 2807(e)(2)*, Docket No. L-00040169 (Order entered February 9, 2007).