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**RE: Supplement No. 56 to Tariff Electric - PA. P.U.C. No. 24
Implementation of the Pennsylvania Public Utility Commission's Revised
Final Rulemaking Order to Amend Chapter 56 Standards and Billing
Practices for Residential Utility Services
Docket No. L-00060182**

Dear Secretary Chiavetta:

Enclosed for filing please find an original and eight (8) copies of Supplement No. 56 to Duquesne Light Company's Tariff Electric, PA. P.U.C. No.24, proposed to become effective March 23, 2012.

Supplement No. 56 amends Duquesne Light's tariffs to implement the Pennsylvania Public Utility Commission's Revised Final Rulemaking Order at Docket No. L-00060182 amending Chapter 56 standards and billing practices for residential utility service.

Per the attached Certificate of Service, Duquesne Light is serving copies of the enclosed materials on the public advocates and staff. Should you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Respectfully submitted,

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Enclosures
c: Certificate of Service (w/enc.)



SCHEDULE OF RATES

For Electric Service in Allegheny and Beaver Counties

(For List of Communities Served, see Pages No. 4 and 5)

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DUQUESNE LIGHT COMPANY

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Issued in compliance with the provisions of "Rulemaking to Amend the Provisions of 52 Pa. Code, Chapter 56 to Comply with the Provisions of 66 Pa.C.S., Chapter 14; General Review of Regulations" entered on June 13, 2011, at Docket No. L-00060182.

NOTICE

**THIS TARIFF SUPPLEMENT ADDS NEW PAGES, ADDS A NEW RULE
AND MODIFIES EXISTING RULES**

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LIST OF MODIFICATIONS MADE BY THIS TARIFF

CHANGES

List of Modifications Made By This Tariff

Page No. 2A

Page No. 2A has been added to the Tariff to accommodate the List of Modifications made in Supplement No. 56 to Tariff No. 24.

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**Sixteenth Revised Page No. 3
Cancelling Fifteenth Revised Page No. 3**

The Table of Contents has been modified to include the addition of Page No. 2A.

Rules and Regulations

Original Page No. 10A has been added to the Tariff to accommodate the addition of Rule No. 5a. Payment of Outstanding Balance.

Rule No. 5a. Payment of Outstanding Balance has been added to the Tariff.

Original Page No. 23A has been added to the Tariff to accommodate the addition of Rule No. 20.3. Optional Budget Payment Plan for Residential Customers.

Rule No. 20.3. Optional Budget Payment Plan for Residential Customers has been added to the Tariff.

Rules and Regulations — Contracts, Deposits and Advance Payments

5. Deposits and Advance Payments

**Second Revised Page No. 10
Cancelling First Revised Page No. 10**

This rule has been modified to reflect the Company's compliance with the provisions of "Rulemaking to Amend the Provisions of 52 Pa. Code, Chapter 56 to Comply with the Provisions of 66 Pa.C.S., Chapter 14; General Review of Regulations" entered on June 13, 2011, at Docket No. L-00060182. Rule No. 5 was amended to include the Company's credit and application procedures along with a general description of the Company's credit scoring methodology and standards.

Rules and Regulations — Payment of Outstanding Balance

5a. Payment of Outstanding Balance

Original Page No. 10A

This rule has been added to reflect the Company's compliance with the provisions of "Rulemaking to Amend the Provisions of 52 Pa. Code, Chapter 56 to Comply with the Provisions of 66 Pa.C.S., Chapter 14; General Review of Regulations" entered on June 13, 2011, at Docket No. L-00060182. Rule No. 5a stipulates the methods the Company will use to determine the applicant or customer's liability for any outstanding balance.

LIST OF MODIFICATIONS MADE BY THIS TARIFF

CHANGES

Rules and Regulations — Optional Budget Payment Plan for Residential Customers

20.3. Optional Budget Payment Plan for Residential Customers **Third Revised Page No. 23**
Cancelling Second Revised Page No. 23

This rule has been added to reflect the Company's compliance with the provisions of "Rulemaking to Amend the Provisions of 52 Pa. Code, Chapter 56 to Comply with the Provisions of 66 Pa.C.S., Chapter 14; General Review of Regulations" entered on June 13, 2011, at Docket No. L-00060182. Rule No. 20.3 defines the provisions of the optional residential budget payment plan.

Original Page No. 23A

Original Page No. 23A was created to accommodate the addition of Rule No. 20.3. Optional Budget Payment Plan for Residential Customers on Third Revised Page No. 23.

Rate RS – Residential Service **Second Revised Page No. 33**
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Rate RH – Residential Service Heating **Second Revised Page No. 36**
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Rate RA – Residential Service Add-On Heat Pump **Second Revised Page No. 39**
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Reference to the "Optional Budget Payment Plan" has been removed from the residential Rate Schedules and placed in the Tariff as Rule No. 20.3. Optional Budget Payment Plan for Residential Customers.

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RULES AND REGULATIONS - (Continued)

CONTRACTS, DEPOSITS AND ADVANCE PAYMENTS - (Continued)

5. DEPOSITS AND ADVANCE PAYMENTS The Company reserves the right to require a cash deposit from applicants taking service for a period of less than thirty days, in an amount equal to the estimated gross bill for Company charges for such temporary service. The gross bill for Company charges shall include all fixed, demand and energy charges for Company charges in accordance with the applicable tariff. Deposits may be required from all other applicants when creditworthiness has not been established or from existing customers when such customer's credit standing is impaired by delinquent payments of any two consecutive electric bills for Company charges excluding any unpaid EGS bills, if any, or three or more electric bills for Company charges within the preceding 12 months or as a condition to the reconnection of service or by failure to comply with a settlement or payment agreement.

The Company may also use an applicant or customer credit score from a third party credit agency as a means to establish creditworthiness. The credit score in the report will be based on previous utility billing history and will use a commercially recognized credit scoring methodology that is within the range of generally accepted industry practices to determine whether security or advance payments are required to establish service. The Company may request a photo ID of any applicant to verify the application. (C)

The amount of the deposit will be based on Company charges in an amount that is equal to one-sixth of the applicant's estimated annual bill or one-sixth of the actual average annual bill for existing customers. The Company is not required to provide service if the full amount of the cash deposit is not paid. An applicant or existing customer may furnish a third party guarantor in lieu of a cash deposit, with the provision of a written guaranty setting forth the terms therein. The guarantor will be responsible for all missed payments of the applicant or customer.

The Company will pay interest on residential cash deposits at the rate six percent per annum without deduction for any taxes thereon commencing December 14, 2004. For all other cash deposits, the Company will pay interest at the lower of the average of 1-year Treasury Bills for September, October and November of the previous year beginning May 1, 1995 and January 1, 1996 and each year thereafter, or six percent per annum without deduction for any taxes thereon, provided that interest accrued prior to April 14, 1995 shall be calculated at 6%. On deposits held for more than one year, accrued interest will be paid at the end of each anniversary year. Upon the return of a deposit, any unpaid interest accrued thereon will be paid.

Deposits secured from a residential applicant or customer shall be returned to the depositor when a timely payment history has been established, or after a maximum of 24 months. A timely payment history is established when a customer has paid undisputed bills in full and on time for 12 consecutive months. Should a customer become delinquent prior to establishing a timely payment history, the Company may deduct the outstanding balance from the deposit. Deposits secured from other than residential customers shall be returned to the depositor upon annual review provided such depositor shall have paid undisputed bills during those consecutive 12 months without having service terminated and without having paid the bill subsequent to the due date so long as the customer is not currently delinquent. Payment of any disputed bill, where the payment is withheld beyond the due date set forth on the face of the bill at issue and the dispute over which is terminated substantially in favor of the customer, shall be made by the customer within 15 days following the termination of that dispute in order to be deemed timely. Where service is discontinued, the deposit and unpaid interest accrued thereon to the date of discontinuance of service, less the amount of all bills due the Company, will promptly be paid to the customer. (C)

RULES AND REGULATIONS - (Continued)

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CONTRACTS, DEPOSITS AND ADVANCE PAYMENTS - (Continued)

The Company reserves the right to require payment in advance for seasonal service, when the applicants elect to take such service, in an amount equal to the estimated gross Company charges for such seasonal service as determined by the provisions of the rate under which this service is taken.

PAYMENT OF OUTSTANDING BALANCE

5a. PAYMENT OF OUTSTANDING BALANCE As a condition of the furnishing of service to an applicant, the payment of any outstanding account amount with the Company for which the applicant is legally responsible is required. The Company may require the payment of an outstanding balance or portion of an outstanding balance as a condition of furnishing service if the applicant or customer resided at the property for which service is requested during the time the outstanding balance accrued and for the time applicant/customer resided there, not exceeding 4 years except for fraud or theft. The Company may establish that an applicant or customer previously resided at a property for which residential service is requested through the use of a mortgage, deed or lease or a commercially available consumer credit reporting service. In addition, the Company may also use a valid driver's license, billing/mailing records, court records, factual reporting, and Company records where the applicant or customer was listed as a spouse or an occupant of a premise, such as on a customer assistance program enrollment form, a payment agreement, a power of attorney or authorization or a medical certification.

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RULES AND REGULATIONS - (Continued)**MEASUREMENT AND USE OF SERVICE - (Continued)**

18. REDISTRIBUTION All electric energy shall be consumed by the customer to whom the Company supplies and delivers such energy, except that (1) a customer operating a separate office building, and (2) any other customer who, upon showing that special circumstances exist, obtains the written consent of the Company may redistribute electric energy to tenants of such customer, but only if such tenants are not required to make a specific payment for such energy, except where such payments would encourage energy conservation. This Rule shall not affect any practice undertaken prior to June 1, 1965. See Rule No. 41 for special requirements for residential dwelling units in a building.

19. CONTINUITY AND SAFETY The Company will use all reasonable care to provide safe and continuous delivery of electricity but shall not be liable for any damages arising through interruption of the delivery of electricity or for injury to persons or property resulting from the use of the electricity delivered.

BILLS AND NET PAYMENT PERIODS

20. BILLING The Company will render a bill monthly for electric service.

20.1 BILLING OPTIONS Customers who elect to purchase their electricity from an Electric Generation Supplier ("EGS") may choose: (1) Consolidated Billing and receive a single bill from the Company that includes Company charges and EGS charges; or (2) Separate Billing and receive one bill from the Company for Company charges and a second bill from the EGS for EGS charges. The customer's billing option will be communicated to the Company by the EGS, in accordance with the provisions contained in the Company's Supplier Tariff.

20.2 BILLS Bills for electric service are due and payable upon presentation and may be paid with a check or money order and placed in the payment drop box located at the Company's business office, by any of the means listed under the "Billing and Payment Conveniences" as described on Page 2 of the customer's bill or to any of its collecting agencies during the regular office hours of such agencies. For customers who select an EGS and who select the Separate Billing Option, payment of the bill from the EGS is due to the EGS per the EGS terms and conditions. When the meter readings are taken at other than monthly intervals or when the elapsed time between meter readings is substantially greater or less than one month, the rate values applicable to monthly delivery periods will be adjusted.

20.3 OPTIONAL BUDGET PAYMENT PLAN FOR RESIDENTIAL CUSTOMERS An Optional Budget Payment Plan offers the residential ratepayer, upon their request, the option of paying a budget amount each month as estimated by the Company including any arrearages. In any month when the amount billed for the previous billing period is overdue, budget billing may be terminated and the difference owed the Company shall be immediately due. The Budget Plan will average utility service costs on an estimated annual basis by account, which will be reviewed periodically for adjustment. (C)

21. NET PAYMENT Payments placed in the payment drop box at the Company's business office or payments made direct to the Company's collecting agencies will be accepted by the Company in the amount billed as per the terms stated at each respective location. Payments made by mail may be accepted in the amount billed by the Company, at its option, if the payment is received within five (5) days after the due date. A Late Payment Charge will be added to Company charges for failure to make payment of the bill in accord with the above. (C)

RULES AND REGULATIONS – (Continued)

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BILLS AND NET PAYMENT PERIODS – (Continued)

21.1 PAYMENT OF BILLS FOR RESIDENTIAL SERVICE The Company will designate a due date on its bill which shall be a business day no less than 20 days from the date of transmittal of the bill. When the due date for residential service occurs from the 21st day of the month through the 5th day of the following month, the due date may be extended upon request to the 6th day of the latter month for ratepayers receiving Social Security or equivalent monthly checks on or about the first of the month.

RATE RS - RESIDENTIAL SERVICE - (Continued)

MONTHLY RATE - (Continued)

ELECTRIC CHARGES – (Continued)

Customers who choose an EGS may select Consolidated Billing or Separate Billing as defined in Rule No. 20.1.

MINIMUM CHARGE

The Minimum Charge shall be the Customer Distribution Charge.

RIDERS

Bills rendered under this schedule are subject to the charges stated in any applicable rider.

LATE PAYMENT CHARGE

Bills will be calculated on the rates stated herein, and are due and payable on or before twenty days from the date of mailing of the bill to the ratepayer. The bill is overdue when not paid on or before the due date indicated on the bill. An overdue bill is subject to a Late Payment Charge of 1.25% interest per month on the full unpaid and overdue balance of the Company charges on the bill. The Charge shall be calculated on the overdue portions of the Company charges on the bill and shall not be charged against any sum that falls due during a current billing period. A Late Payment Charge on a disputed bill may be reduced or eliminated by the Company, or upon order by the Commission, to facilitate payment by the disputing customer.

SPECIAL PROVISIONS

RESIDENTIAL GARAGE

A separately metered 240 volt (or less) single phase service to a detached residential garage utilized solely for storing a residential customer's vehicle(s) and that is located on the same property as the residential customer's dwelling unit will be considered residential use and may be serviced under the terms of this rate.

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RATE RH - RESIDENTIAL SERVICE HEATING - (Continued)

SPECIAL PROVISIONS

RESIDENTIAL GARAGE

A separately metered 240 volt (or less) single phase service to a detached residential garage utilized solely for storing a residential customer's vehicle(s) and that is located on the same property as the residential customer's dwelling unit will be considered residential use and may be served under the terms of this rate. To be served under the terms of this rate, the garage must use the Company's service as the sole primary method for space heating maintaining a winter time temperature of 55^o F. or more.

SPACE HEATING EQUIPMENT

Space heating equipment must be permanently installed, thermostatically controlled and must be approved by the Company.

Any renewable energy source system that produces electric energy may not be interconnected with circuits supplied by the Company's service except upon written approval from the Company.

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RATE RA - RESIDENTIAL SERVICE ADD-ON HEAT PUMP - (Continued)

SPECIAL PROVISIONS

SPACE HEATING EQUIPMENT

Space heating equipment must be permanently installed, thermostatically controlled and must be approved by the Company.

The add-on heat pump and supplemental heating device must be equipped with a thermostatically operated control system which operates the add-on heat pump as the primary heating system until the outdoor temperature falls to at least 40° F.

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AFFIDAVIT

I, Philip D. Haddad, in my capacity as Lead Regulatory Analyst of Duquesne Light Company, certify that Duquesne has posted Supplement No. 56 to Tariff Electric, PA. P.U.C. No. 24 on its Web page in accordance with the Commission's secretarial Letter of March 30, 1998. I understand that any statements in this Affidavit are subject to the penalties set forth in 18 Pa. C.S. § 4904 (relating to unsworn falsification to authorities).

Philip D. Haddad

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Duquesne Light Company

Dated: January 23, 2012

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that I have this day served a true and correct copy of the foregoing Supplement No. 56 to Duquesne Light Company's Tariff Electric, PA. P.U.C. No. 24, upon the parties listed below, in accordance with the requirements of 52 Pa. Code § 1.54 (relating to service by a participant):

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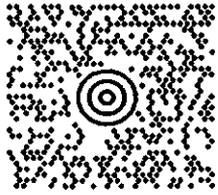
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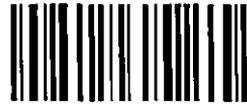
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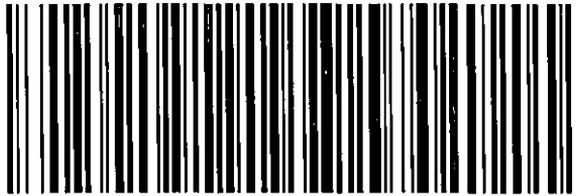
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