

**BEFORE THE
PENNSYLVANIA PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION**

Petition of PPL Electric Utilities	:	
Corporation for Approval of Its Smart	:	Docket Nos. M-2014-2430781
Meter Technology Procurement and	:	M-2009-2123945
Installation Plan	:	

**NOTICE OF INTERVENTION
OF THE OFFICE OF SMALL BUSINESS ADVOCATE**

The Office of Small Business Advocate (“OSBA”) files this Notice of Intervention with respect to the Petition of PPL Electric Utilities Corporation (“PPL” or the “Company”) for Approval of Its Smart Meter Technology Procurement and Installation Plan (“Petition”) that was filed with the Pennsylvania Public Utility Commission (“Commission”) on June 30, 2014. In support of this Notice of Intervention, the OSBA avers as follows:

1. The OSBA is an agency of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania authorized by the Small Business Advocate Act (Act 181 of 1988, 73 P.S. §§ 399.41 - 399.50) to represent the interest of small business consumers as a party in proceedings before the Commission.

2. Representing the OSBA in this proceeding is:

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**PUBLIC STATEMENT OF
THE OFFICE OF SMALL BUSINESS ADVOCATE**

The Small Business Advocate is authorized and directed to represent the interest of small business consumers of utility services in Pennsylvania under the provisions of the Small Business Advocate Act, Act 181 of 1988, 73 P.S. §§ 399.41 - 399.50 (the "Act"). The Act further provides that the Small Business Advocate is to issue publicly a written statement stating concisely the specific interest of small business consumers to be protected by his initiation of or intervention in any proceeding involving those interests before the Public Utility Commission ("Commission") or any other agency or court. This public statement relates to the filing today by the Small Business Advocate of an Answer and Notice of Intervention in the above-captioned Commission proceeding.

On June 30, 2014, PPL Electric Utilities Corporation ("PPL" or the "Company") filed a petition for the approval of the Company's smart meter technology procurement and installation plan ("Petition") with the Commission.

The Small Business Advocate is intervening in this proceeding in order to protect the interests of the Company's small business customers. A thorough inquiry by the Commission into all of the elements of the Petition is necessary to ascertain whether the Company's proposals for procuring and installing smart meters conform to the Public Utility Code and to the Commission's regulations.

In view of the foregoing, the Small Business Advocate is requesting that the Petition be subject to investigation and evidentiary hearings before the Commission. The Small Business Advocate will ask the Commission to deny or modify any aspect of the Company's proposals that are not proven by PPL to be in accordance with the Public Utility Code and with the Commission's regulations.

Dated: August 6, 2014