



COMMONWEALTH OF PENNSYLVANIA

September 3, 2015

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Rosemary Chiavetta, Secretary
Pennsylvania Public Utility Commission
Commonwealth Keystone Building
400 North Street
Harrisburg, PA 17120

**Re: Petition of Duquesne Light Company for Approval to Modify its Smart Meter
Procurement and Installation Plan
Docket Nos. P-2015-2497267 and M-2009-2123948**

Dear Secretary Chiavetta:

I am delivering for filing today the original of the Notice of Intervention, Public Statement, Verification, and Notice of Appearance, on behalf of the Office of Small Business Advocate, in the above-captioned proceeding.

Two copies have been served today on all known parties in this proceeding. A Certificate of Service to that effect is enclosed.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'S. Webb'.

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Enclosures

cc: The Honorable Charles E. Rainey, Jr.
Robert D. Knecht
Parties of Record

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

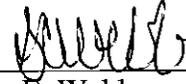
The Office of Small Business Advocate (“OSBA”) files this Notice of Intervention with respect to the Petition of Duquesne Light Company (“Duquesne” or “Company”) for Approval to Modify its Smart Meter Procurement and Installation Plan (“Petition”) that was filed with the Pennsylvania Public Utility Commission (“Commission”) on August 4, 2015. 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 interests 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 requires that the Small Business Advocate issue publicly a written statement setting forth concisely the specific interest of small business consumers to be protected by the initiation of, or intervention in, any proceeding involving those interests before the Pennsylvania Public Utility Commission (“Commission”) or any other agency or court. This Public Statement relates to the filing today by the Small Business Advocate of a Notice of Intervention in the above-captioned proceeding.

On August 4, 2015, Duquesne Light Company (“Duquesne” or the “Company”) filed a petition for the approval to modify 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.

Dated: September 3, 2015

VERIFICATION

I, Sharon E. Webb, hereby state that the facts set forth herein above are true and correct to the best of my knowledge, information and belief and that I expect to be able to prove the same at a hearing held in this matter. I understand that the statements herein are made subject to the penalties of 18 Pa. C.S. §4904 (relating to unsworn falsification to authorities).

Date: September 3, 2015

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read 'S. Webb', is written above a horizontal line.

(Signature)

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that true and correct copies of the foregoing have been served via email and/or First-Class mail (unless other noted below) upon the following persons, in accordance with the requirements of 52 Pa. Code § 1.54 (relating to service by a participant).

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