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April 20, 2007

Re: Pennsylvania Public Utility Commission

v.

PPL Electric Utilities Corporation

Docket No. R-00072155

Dear Consumer Colleague:

As you may know, on March 29, 2007 PPL Electric Utilities Corporation (PPL) asked the Public Utility Commission (PUC) to approve a 2.7%, or \$83.6 million annual increase in the Company's rates. The increase would affect about 1.4 million residential, commercial and industrial electric customers in 29 counties throughout central and northeastern Pennsylvania.

If approved, a residential customer using about 1000 Kwh per month would see an average overall bill increase of about 6.8%, or \$6.62 per month.

During the next several months, our Office will take part in this case and represent the interests of consumers. We have hired expert witnesses to review all parts of PPL's rate filing, including the Company's profit level, operation and maintenance expenses, taxes, and quality of service. We will also examine the manner in which the Company has proposed to allocate the proposed increase among customer classes.

In our Formal Complaint, we have asked the PUC to suspend the proposed rate increase to permit a thorough investigation of the Company's request. This Office fully expects the PUC to hold formal hearings to evaluate the Company's request for an increase in rates.

We will ask the PUC to schedule public input hearings in areas served by PPL so that you can attend and express your views on the proposed rate increase. If you want a hearing in your area, call us at our toll-free number: (800) 684-6560, as soon as possible. If the PUC schedules such hearings, we will notify you of the date, time and location.

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The Office of Consumer Advocate will be represented in this proceeding by Aron Beatty and Jennedy Santolla, Assistant Consumer Advocates.

If you need more information, please contact my Consumer Liaison, Susan Henry. Also, if you are aware of any information regarding the Company's proposed rate increase or quality of service, please contact us.

Sincerely,

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