BEFORE THE PENNSYLVANIA PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION

In Re: Complaints Against PECO Energy Company's Electrical Substation Upgrade Project in the Borough of Swarthmore

Docket No.: P-2023-3037736

REPLY IN OPPOSITION TO MOTION FOR CONSOLIDATION

The Borough of Swarthmore (the "Borough"), hereby files this Reply in Opposition of Motion for Consolidation filed by PECO Energy Company ("PECO") in the above-captioned proceeding. In support thereof, the Borough represents as follows:

- The Borough is a municipality, governed and formed under the Pennsylvania Borough Code.
- 2. The Borough filed a Formal Complaint seeking to compel PECO to comply with its Tree Committee Ordinance, its Excavations Ordinance and Stormwater Management Ordinance.
- 3. Upon information and belief, all or most of the other parties who filed Formal Complaints which PECO is seeking to consolidate are residents and/or owners of private residential properties located within the Borough of Swarthmore whom are requesting the PUC to estop PECO from removing and/or trimming trees on their respective properties.
- **4.** The Borough is not seeking to estop PECO from proceeding with its Upgrade Project.

Rather, the Borough is seeking to compel PECO to comply with its
 Ordinances.

6. None of the other complaining parties are governmental entities seeking to compel compliance with ordinances or local laws.

7. There is no commonality as to questions of law which the Borough is asserting and the questions of law which the other complaining parties are asserting.

8. There is no commonality as to the relief which the Borough is seeking and the relief which the other complaining parties are seeking.

WHEREFORE, the Borough of Swarthmore respectfully requests that the Commission deny the Motion and not consolidate the Borough's Formal Complaint with those of the other complaining parties.

Respectfully submitted, ROBERT W. SCOTT, P.C.

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Dated: February ______, 2023

VERIFICATION

I, Mary J. Walk, hereby state that the facts set forth above are true and correct to the best of my knowledge, information and belief and that I expect the Borough of Swarthmore to be able to prove the same in a hearing held in this matter. I understand that statements herein are made subject to the penalties of 18 Pa. C.S. §4904.

Mary J. Walk Council President

Borough of Swarthmore

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that on the day of February, 2023, a true and correct copy of the Reply in Opposition to Motion for Consolidation on behalf of the Borough of Swarthmore, was electronically filed, and served via either email or First Class Mail, postage prepaid, upon the following:

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