

January 20, 2000

Honorable John M. Quain, Chairman Pennsylvania Public Utility Commission 104 North Office Building Harrisburg, PA 17105

Re: IRRC Regulation #57-203 (#2028)
Pennsylvania Public Utility Commission
Annual Resource Report Filing Requirements

Dear Chairman Quain:

The Independent Regulatory Review Commission approved the subject regulation at its January 20, 2000 public meeting. Our Order is enclosed and is available on our website at http://www.irrc.state.pa.us.

We appreciate the joint effort that went into producing a regulation that met the criteria and intent of the Regulatory Review Act.

Sincerely,

John R. McGinley, Jr.

Chairman

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cc: Blaine J. Loper Carl Hisiro Sherri DelBiondo

INDEPENDENT REGULATORY REVIEW COMMISSION

14th Floor, 333 Market Street Harrisburg, PA 17101

Commissioners Voting:

Public Meeting Held January 20, 2000

John R. McGinley, Jr., Chairman Alvin C. Bush, Vice Chairman Arthur Coccodrilli John F. Mizner

Pennsylvania Public Utility Commission Annual Resource Report Filing Requirements Regulation No. 57-203

BY ORDER OF THE COMMISSION

On March 30, 1999, the Independent Regulatory Review Commission (Commission) received this proposed regulation from the Pennsylvania Public Utility Commission (PUC). This rulemaking amends 52 Pa. Code Sections 57.141 - 57.154. The authority for this regulation is 66 Pa. C.S. Sections 501, 524, 1501, 1504 and 2809. The proposed regulation was published in the April 17, 1999 Pennsylvania Bulletin with a 60-day public comment period. The final-form regulation was submitted to the Commission on December 23, 1999.

The amendments from the PUC reduce the information requirements in Subchapter L. Annual Resource Planning Report. The regulation requires electric distribution companies to reduce from twenty years to five years the reporting horizon for energy demand, connected peak load and the number of customers. The regulation also removes requirements for information regarding capital investments and energy costs, and limits reporting of new generating facilities and expansion of existing facilities.

The decreased detail in reporting requirements reflects the change in the marketplace resulting from Act 138 of 1996. This regulation meets the criteria of the Regulatory Review Act.

THEREFORE, IT IS ORDERED THAT:

1. Regulation No. 57-203 from the Pennsylvania Public Utility Commission, as submitted to the Commission on December 23, 1999, is approved; and

The Commission will transmit a copy of this Order to the Legislative Reference SENDEN SE

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