## PENNSYLVANIA PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION Harrisburg, Pennsylvania 17120

Distributed Energy Resources Participation in Wholesale Markets Public Meeting held February 22, 2024 3044115-LAW Docket No. L-2023-3044115

## JOINT STATEMENT OF CHAIRMAN STEPHEN M. DEFRANK & VICE CHAIR KIMBERLY BARROW

Today marks an important step in the process of allowing flexible, distributed resources to participate in the reliability of the electric system through markets at PJM. Distributed resources provide the possibility for those who were traditionally consumers to play an active role in ensuring electric reliability and resiliency for themselves and their neighbors, and often in a less expensive way than traditional large generation that requires delivery infrastructure.

Compliance with and implementation of Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC) Order 2222 is no small task. Numerous parties must take action to advance the goal of providing distributed energy resource aggregators access to wholesale markets; including regional transmission organizations, electric distribution companies, and state regulators. We would like to thank our Law Bureau and Bureau of Technical Utility Services who developed an excellent and thorough beginning to our investigation of potential regulatory changes needed to support distributed energy resource participation.

In addition to the questions we ask in this Advance Notice of Proposed Rulemaking, we would like to ask commenters to include any information about how similar changes may be implemented in other states. While alignment of rules and policies may not be possible in all circumstances, avoiding a patchwork quilt of regulation should also help to optimize deployment.

February 22, 2024

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Stephen M. DeFrank, Chairman

Kimberly Barrow, Vice Chair