

BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

OF THE STATE OF DELAWARE

IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION OF)
DELMARVA POWER & LIGHT COMPANY)
FOR AN INCREASE IN ELECTRIC BASE)
RATES) PSC DOCKET NO. 13-115
(FILED MARCH 22, 2013))

ORDER No. 8376

FOR ADMISSION AS AN INTERVENOR

AND NOW, this 14TH day of May, 2013, pursuant to the authority granted to me in PSC Order No. 8337 dated April 9, 2013, this Hearing Examiner having considered the Petition for Leave to Intervene ("the Petition") filed by the Department of Natural Resources and Environmental Control ("DNREC") on May 7, 2013, and there being no objection thereto filed by any party of record;

NOW, THEREFORE,

1. The Petition is granted.
2. In PSC Order No. 8337, the Commission ordered that the deadline for filing petitions for intervention was May 7, 2013. (See Order, ¶8.)
3. Thus, DNREC's Petition to Intervene was timely filed.
4. This docket involves Delmarva Power & Light Company's ("Delmarva Power") Application seeking to increase the electric base rates of residential and commercial customers.
5. In its Petition, DNREC alleges that "DNREC's interest will not be adequately represented by any of the other parties to this proceeding." Specifically, DNREC alleges that, as an active

participant in a separate electric rate decoupling docket addressing incentives for energy efficiency programs, DNREC is interested in this docket if incentives for energy efficiency are "incorporated into the rate case..." (See DNREC's Petition to Intervene at ¶¶4,5.)

6. No party has opposed DNREC's Petition.

7. For purposes of considering the merits of DNREC's Petition, I assume as true the representations made in DNREC's Petition. Specifically, DNREC has adequately alleged that it has particularized expertise and experience which may be valuable to the Commission in deciding the issues in this docket. Thus, DNREC has satisfied the intervention requirements of Rule 21 of the Commission's *Rules of Practice and Procedure*.

8. To date, no Procedural Schedule has been agreed upon by the parties and adopted by the Hearing Examiner.

Now, therefore, **IT IS ORDERED:**

1. Accordingly, the Petition for Intervention filed by the State of Delaware Department of Natural Resources and Environmental Control ("DNREC") is **GRANTED**.

2. DNREC shall be added to the Service List for this Docket, as described in its Petition to Intervene.

BY ORDER OF THE COMMISSION

/s/ Mark Lawrence
Mark Lawrence
Hearing Examiner