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Re: PATH

Dear Mr. Kaplan:

I am writing in response to your May 22, 2011 correspondence as to the PATH Project. Your correspondence was forwarded to our office by the Pennsylvania Office of the Attorney General, because the Office of Consumer Advocate (OCA) is the statutory representative of utility customers in Pennsylvania. As the lead attorney at the OCA working on the PATH matter, I appreciate your comments.

The OCA has been involved with the PATH Project at the federal level since the inception of the Project. The OCA, in conjunction with the state consumer advocate offices of Maryland, Ohio, New Jersey, West Virginia, Delaware and the District of Columbia have worked together as the Joint Consumer Advocates (JCA) in continuing to oppose any unjust or unreasonable rates flowing from the PATH Project. The JCA are currently maintaining that action in proceedings that are on-going at the FERC.

I appreciate your concerns as to the ratemaking, and particularly the incentive ratemaking treatment that has been authorized by the FERC for the PATH Project. I would assure you that the OCA as part of the JCA will continue to seek the best possible result for all ratepayers in the continued actions at the FERC in regards to PATH.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Darryl Lawrence", written over a horizontal line.

Darryl Lawrence
Assistant Consumer Advocate