## **FILING GUIDELINES**

(<u>Note</u>: Filing Guidelines apply to ALL filings made to the Office of the Hearing Examiner, including filings made prior to case placement on the public hearing docket.)

## Instructions for Emailing Documents for Filing with the PHRC

- 1. Documents to be submitted electronically must be in PDF format.
- 2. Documents to be filed may be emailed to: ra-hradjudication@pa.gov
  - a. This email address is solely for submitting attached PDF documents for filing.
  - Do not include comments, questions, or additional correspondence in the email as such comments, questions, or additional correspondence will not receive a response from the Commission.
- 3. Documents to be filed must be attached to the email and not contained in the body of the email.
- 4. Documents filed by email must be signed by the filing party either by (a) signing by hand and then scanning the document, or (b) signing electronically using a digital signature.
- 5. The email and attached documents must contain the filer's name and the case's docket number (if one has been assigned).
- 6. A document submitted for filing by email does not have to be delivered in hard copy form to the Commission.
- 7. The email and attachment will constitute the official record of the filing.
- 8. Documents received by 11:59 pm will be considered filed that day.

  Documents received after 11:59 pm or on weekends and holidays will be considered filed the following business day.

## Service of Documents Filed by Email

- 1. Documents filed by email must be served on all participants.
- 2. Filings may be made to the Office of the Hearing Examiner by emailing a copy to: ra-hradjudication@pa.gov
- 3. Hearing Examiners shall **NOT** be directly contacted unless otherwise ordered.
- 4. All other participants must be served either by copying (CC) or by mailing a paper copy, properly addressed with postage prepaid.

## Format of Documents Filed by Email

- Legal captions and headings shall follow the template provided in Appendix C.
- 2. All filings shall include numbered pages and certify that the filing adheres to all relevant and applicable federal and state statutes and regulations regarding

- confidentiality.
- 3. Accompanying exhibits shall be attached as separate PDFs and clearly marked.
- 4. References to any documents not available on Westlaw shall be included as an appendix to filing.

THE COMMISSION MAY REJECT FILINGS THAT DO NOT CONFORM TO THESE REQUIREMENTS.