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CEO Letter – Response to Governor Wolf’s Climate Change Goals

On January 8, 2019, Governor Tom Wolf issued an executive order to reduce greenhouse gas emissions and pollution in the Commonwealth by 80% by 2050. I write today to share that Duquesne Light Company, its leadership team, and the Company’s more than 1,500 employees join Governor Wolf and Mayor Peduto in working to reduce our region’s greenhouse gas emissions and improve our local climate.

As a utility company and integral part of the Pittsburgh region, we recognize the importance of promoting the future health and well-being of the communities we serve. With that in mind, I have asked our company to undertake initiatives to address our own climate impacts, in addition to supporting the Commonwealth and the City of Pittsburgh in achieving their climate protection goals.

To date, Duquesne Light has supported the reduction of emissions by investing in technologies that will power a clean future, as shown through our leadership in supporting greater adoption of electric vehicles throughout the Pittsburgh region. We will support Governor Wolf’s goal of replacing 25% of state passenger vehicles with electric models by 2025 by offering technical assistance and supporting the deployment of vehicle charging infrastructure in the Pittsburgh region. At Duquesne Light, we have already replaced 40% of our own sedan fleet with plug-in electric vehicles, and aim to allocate 20% of our future fleet purchases to electric vehicles.

Additionally, we have started exploring other areas where we can have a positive impact on our climate and environment, including partnering with the City of Pittsburgh and a local start-up, BOSS Controls, in an innovative plug-load energy efficiency pilot. We also are protecting wildlife and their habitats in our service territory, and look forward to sharing updates and progress on all of these initiatives in the coming months.

We applaud Governor Wolf, Mayor Peduto, and other local leaders in setting these goals and committing to the future health of our region. On behalf of Duquesne Light Company, I affirm our commitment and encourage other business leaders to support these goals to ensure a bright future for our region.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Richard Riazzi", written in a cursive style.

Richard Riazzi
President & CEO