

**BEFORE THE
PENNSYLVANIA PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION**

**Petition of PPL Electric Utilities Corporation for Approval of an Energy Efficiency and
Conservation Plan**

Docket No. M-2012-2334388

PPL Electric Utilities Corporation

Statement No. 3

Direct Testimony of Joseph M. Kleha

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Q. Please state your full name and business address.

A. Joseph M. Kleha, Two North Ninth Street, Allentown, Pennsylvania, 18101.

Q. By whom are you employed and in what capacity?

A. I am employed by PPL Electric Utilities Corporation (“PPL Electric”), a subsidiary of PPL Corporation, as its Manager - Regulatory Compliance and Rates. I assumed this position on January 12, 2009.

Q. What are your duties as Manager - Regulatory Compliance and Rates?

A. I am responsible for PPL Electric’s compliance with the regulatory requirements of the Pennsylvania Public Utility Commission (“PUC” or the “Commission”), the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (“FERC”) and other regulatory agencies, as necessary. As part of this function, I am responsible for the preparation and review, and technical oversight and guidance, of the development, content and structure of cost allocation and revenue requirement studies. In addition, I am responsible for all aspects of PPL Electric’s rates and tariffs. I also prepare and present expert testimony regarding these and other cost-of-service and ratemaking-related issues.

Q. What is your educational background?

A. I graduated from The Pennsylvania State University in May 1974 with a Bachelor of Science Degree in Accounting. Since that time, I have taken specialized courses dealing with public utility accounting, depreciation and rate design. In addition, I

1 attended the National Association of Regulatory Utility Commissioners' Regulatory
2 Studies Program.

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4 **Q. Please describe your professional experience.**

5 A. I was employed by the Pennsylvania Department of Public Welfare as Field Auditor
6 and Institutional Collections Officer from 1974 to 1977. In 1977, I joined the
7 technical staff of the Commission as a Utility Rate Analyst in its Bureau of Rates and
8 Research. In this position, my responsibilities included the review of proposed retail
9 electric rate filings, and the preparation and presentation of testimony in formal rate
10 proceedings. This testimony primarily dealt with the allowable levels and
11 jurisdictional allocations of claimed operating revenues, operating expenses, and rate
12 base. In 1981, I joined PPL Electric, formerly Pennsylvania Power & Light Company,
13 as a Senior Accountant with responsibility for assembling financial data and preparing
14 revenue requirement studies to support its retail and wholesale rate filings. I was
15 named Manager - Regulatory Projects in PPL Electric's Office of General Counsel in
16 1990. In 2000, as part of a corporate realignment, I became an employee of PPL
17 Services Corporation, along with the other employees in the Office of General
18 Counsel. In 2009, I assumed my current position with PPL Electric.

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20 **Q. Have you previously testified as a witness on cost-of-service and ratemaking-**
21 **related issues?**

22 A. Yes, I have testified before this Commission and the FERC in numerous proceedings
23 regarding cost-of-service and ratemaking-related issues. *See Appendix A for a list of*

1 those proceedings. In addition, I have testified regarding cost-of-service and
2 ratemaking-related issues before the United States Tax Court at Docket No. 25393-07.

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4 **Q. Mr. Kleha, briefly describe the subject matter of your testimony in this**
5 **proceeding.**

6 A. I will describe the calculation of PPL Electric's spending cap for the programs in its
7 Phase II Energy Efficiency and Conservation Plan ("Phase II EE&C Plan"). I also
8 will describe and support PPL Electric's proposed methodology for assigning or
9 allocating the costs of these programs to each customer class. Finally, I will explain
10 the ratemaking mechanism that PPL Electric proposes for recovery of its EE&C Plan
11 compliance costs.

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13 **Q. Are you sponsoring any exhibits in this proceeding?**

14 A. Yes. I am primarily responsible for and am sponsoring Sections 1.8 and 7 of PPL
15 Electric Exhibit No. 1, the Company's Phase II EE&C Plan. In addition, I am
16 sponsoring PPL Electric Exhibit JMK-1, which is a *pro forma* tariff supplement
17 implementing the Company's proposed cost recovery mechanism – the Act 129
18 Compliance Rider ("ACR").

1 **Q. What is PPL Electric's spending limit for its Phase II EE&C Plan under the 2**
2 **percent cap in Act 129?**

3 A. The spending limit for the entire three years of the Phase II EE&C Plan is \$184.5
4 million. This limit excludes the \$3 million estimated cost of the Statewide Evaluator
5 ("SWE").
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7 **Q. How was that limit calculated?**

8 A. Section 2806.1(g) of Act 129 requires that the total cost of any EE&C plan cannot
9 exceed 2% of the Electric Distribution Company's ("EDC") total annual revenues as
10 of December 31, 2006. PPL Electric's total annual revenues for calendar year 2006
11 were approximately \$3 billion (\$3,075,068,824). Accordingly, the 2% cost cap
12 established by Act 129 is approximately \$61.5 million (\$61,501,376). In the
13 Implementation Order entered on August 3, 2012, at Docket Nos. M-2012-2289411,
14 M-2008-2069887, the Commission concluded that this limitation on the "total cost of
15 any plan" should be interpreted as an annual amount, rather than an amount for the full
16 term of the plan. *Energy Efficiency and Conservation Program*, Docket Nos. M-2012-
17 2289411, M-2008-2069887, 2012 Pa. PUC LEXIS 1259 (Implementation Order
18 entered on August 3, 2012) ("*2012 Implementation Order*") at 103. Therefore, the
19 maximum allowable budget identified in the *2012 Implementation Order* for PPL
20 Electric is \$184.5 million, *i.e.*, \$61.5 million x 3 = \$184.5 million. Therefore, the total
21 spending cap for three years is \$184.5 million plus an additional \$3 million of

1 estimated costs for the SWE that are not subject to the \$184.5 million cost cap.¹ PPL
2 Electric projects spending most of the \$184.5 million to implement its Phase II EE&C
3 Plan, including administrative costs with some funds directed at the costs incurred to
4 design and develop its Phase II EE&C Plan.

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6 **Q. How are the costs to design and develop the Company's Phase II EE&C Plan**
7 **reflected in its budget for the plan?**

8 A. PPL Electric will spend most of the \$184.5 million to implement its Phase II EE&C
9 Plan, including administrative costs. This total cost also includes the costs that PPL
10 Electric incurs to design, develop and modify its Phase II EE&C Plan. In the *2012*
11 *Implementation Order*, the Commission found that EDCs should be permitted to
12 recover the incremental cost incurred to design, create, and obtain Commission
13 approval of a plan. Specifically, the Commission directed that recovery of Phase II
14 costs allowed to be incurred in Phase I to be deferred until Phase II recover rates
15 become effective. *2012 Implementation Order* at 114. Accordingly, the Company
16 proposes to amortize and recover those deferred costs ratably over the 36-month life of
17 its Phase II EE&C Plan, *i.e.*, June 1, 2013 through May 31, 2016. The amortization of
18 those costs is included within the \$184.5 million spending cap.

¹ \$184.5 million is PPL Electric's Act 129 cost cap. In addition, PPL Electric expects to incur approximately \$3 million for activities that the Commission determined is not subject to the cost cap. These activities include PPL Electric's share of the SWE's costs and PPL Electric's cost to conduct a net-to gross evaluations each year.

1 **Q. What is the Company’s overall approach for determining which customer class is**
2 **responsible to pay for the programs in its Phase II EE&C Plan?**

3 A. Section 2806.1(a)(11) of Act 129 requires that EE&C measures must be paid for by
4 the same customer class that receives the energy and conservation benefits of those
5 measures. In its *Implementation Order* (at 110), the Commission directed EDCs to
6 first assign the costs relating to each measure to those classes that will receive the
7 benefits. PPL Electric will follow this direct assignment approach wherever possible.
8 However, some costs (“common costs” or “portfolio-level costs”) will relate to EE&C
9 measures that are applicable to more than one customer class or that provide system-
10 wide benefits. The Commission directed EDCs to allocate those costs, and general
11 administrative costs, using reasonable and generally acceptable cost of service
12 principles as are commonly utilized in base rate proceedings. *2012 Implementation*
13 *Order* at 110. Consistent with this provision of the *2012 Implementation Order*, PPL
14 Electric proposes to allocate such costs using an allocation factor equal to the
15 percentage of the EE&C costs directly assigned to each customer class to the total
16 EE&C costs directly assigned to all customer classes.

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18 **Q. Please describe the rate mechanism PPL Electric is proposing for recovery of the**
19 **costs of its EE&C Plan.**

20 A. Section 2806.1(k)(1) of Act 129 authorizes EDCs to recover the costs of their EE&C
21 plan through a reconcilable adjustment clause under Section 1307 of the Public Utility
22 Code. The Commission reiterated this requirement in the *2012 Implementation Order*.
23 *2012 Implementation Order* at 118. In its EE&C Plan filing, PPL Electric included

1 *pro forma* tariff pages to implement such a cost recovery mechanism. The *2012*
2 *Implementation Order* also directs that such cost recovery mechanisms must be non-
3 bypassable, and not affect the EDC's price-to-compare, if the Phase II EE&C Plan
4 benefits both shopping and non-shopping customers. Because all of the programs
5 included in PPL Electric's proposed Phase II EE&C Plan will benefit both shopping
6 and non-shopping customers, the Company has designed its cost recovery mechanism
7 to be non-bypassable. For residential customers, the cost recovery mechanism will be
8 applied as a levelized cents/kWh component included in the distribution charge. For
9 small commercial and industrial ("Small C&I") customers, the cost recovery
10 mechanism will be applied as a levelized cents/kWh charge that will be a separate line
11 item on the customer's bill. For large commercial and industrial ("Large C&I"), the
12 cost recovery mechanism will be applied as a \$/kW charge, as a separate line item on
13 the customer's bill, where the demand (kW) is the customer's PJM Interconnection,
14 LLC Peak Load Contribution which may change yearly.

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16 **Q. How many different rates will be reflected in the ACR?**

17 A. The Company proposes to calculate separately the applicable plan costs for each of the
18 three major customer classes on its system: (1) residential, (2) Small C&I, and (3)
19 Large C&I. These costs will vary in each program year of the Phase II EE&C Plan.
20 However, over the three program years, the total costs of the Phase II EE&C Plan for
21 all customer classes will not exceed \$184.5 million.

1 **Q. Please describe how PPL Electric proposes to set the annual rates under the**
2 **ACR.**

3 A. Although costs will vary year-to-year, PPL Electric proposes to recover those costs on
4 a levelized basis as the preference of stakeholders. Annual budget amounts for each
5 customer class will be developed on a levelized basis for the three years of the
6 Company's proposed EE&C Plan. The budget amounts will be adjusted by \$1 million
7 to include the annual costs that PPL Electric will incur to pay for the SWE. Section
8 2806.1(h) of Act 129 provides that the Commission can recover such program
9 implementation costs from EDCs, and logically it follows that EDCs can recover those
10 costs from customers. The costs for the SWE and for the Company's net-to-gross
11 evaluations are not included under the Company's 2% cost cap. In establishing that
12 cost cap, Section 2806.1(g) specifically characterizes the cap as a limitation on the
13 "total costs of any plan required under this section." Because the costs of the SWE are
14 not the costs of PPL Electric's EE&C Plan, they are not subject to the limitation set
15 forth in Section 2806.1(g). The Commission has determined that costs for annual net-
16 to-gross evaluations are not subject to the cost cap.

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18 **Q. Please describe the Company's proposed ACR reconciliation mechanism.**

19 A. For each customer class, PPL Electric proposes to separately reconcile the revenues
20 collected under the cost recovery mechanism with the adjusted budget amounts for
21 that year. This reconciliation, which will be performed on an annual basis, primarily
22 will reflect variations in actual sales from forecasted sales. The Company does not
23 propose to reconcile the revenues collected under the cost recovery mechanism to its

1 actual spending levels in each year. As discussed above, those spending levels can
2 vary from year-to-year. Although allowed in the *2012 Implementation Order*, PPL
3 Electric does not propose to collect or pay interest on under- or over-collections of Act
4 129 costs.

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6 **Q. Is the Phase II recovery mechanism a separate cost recovery mechanism from
7 that used in Phase I?**

8 A. Yes. The Phase II recovery mechanism is to be a separate cost recovery mechanism
9 from that used in Phase I and will be accounted for and reconciled separately from
10 Phase I funds. PPL Electric's Phase II cost recovery mechanism is set forth in its *pro-*
11 *forma* supplement to Tariff-Electric Pa. PUC No. 201 and included as Appendix G to
12 the Phase II EE&C Plan and appended hereto as Exhibit JMK-1. The current ARC
13 provides the final reconciliation procedure for the Company's Phase I Plan.
14 Specifically, at the conclusion of the Phase I EE&C Plan, and all subsequent EE&C
15 plans, collections under the ACR for each customer class will be reconciled to the total
16 cost of that EE&C Plan allowed by the Commission for that customer class. Over
17 collections or under collections will be reflected in the E factor, and will be refunded
18 or recovered through the ACR calculated for the first compliance year of the
19 subsequent EE&C Plan. If the Company does not implement a subsequent EE&C
20 Plan, the current ACR will be continued for an additional year to refund any over
21 collections or recover any under collections. PPL Electric has not proposed to modify
22 its reconciliation procedure in this proceeding. However, the ACR for Phase I and

1 Phase II of the Company's EE&C Plans will be shown as a single line item on
2 customers' bills.

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4 **Q. Is PPL Electric proposing any other mechanisms for adjusting the ACR?**

5 A. Yes. In addition to the annual reconciliation, PPL Electric proposes to make "mid-
6 course" corrections in the cost recovery mechanism to reflect major changes to any of
7 its EE&C programs. Midcourse corrections will be submitted to the Commission for
8 approval. Finally, at the end of the three-year EE&C Plan, the Company will
9 reconcile total revenue collected to its total actual expenditures budget for the three-
10 year EE&C Plan. The annual reconciliation, any "mid-course" corrections, and the
11 end of plan reconciliation will be subject to Commission review and approval before
12 PPL Electric adjusts customers' rates.

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14 **Q. Is the Company proposing any expiration date for the ACR?**

15 A. No. PPL Electric is not proposing an expiration date for the cost recovery mechanism.
16 The mechanism will be needed to refund any over collection or recover any under
17 collection existing at the end of the three-year Phase II EE&C Plan and for the purpose
18 of any ongoing program cost recovery.

1 **Q. Is the Company proposing including any capital costs as part of the Act 129**
2 **Phase II cost recovery rider?**

3 A. No. PPL Electric is not including any capital costs as part of the Act 129 Phase II cost
4 recovery rider nor will any capital costs be placed into rate base outside of a base rate
5 proceeding.

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7 **Q. Does this conclude your direct testimony?**

8 A. Yes, it does

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Act 129 Compliance Rider

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ACT 129 COMPLIANCE RIDER

An Act 129 Compliance Rider (ACR) shall be applied, on a non-bypassable basis, to charges for electricity supplied to customers who receive distribution service from the Company under this Tariff. The Rider will be implemented by applying a charge to bills of customers beginning January 1, 2010.

The ACR shall be computed separately for each of the following three customer classes:

- (1) Residential: Consisting of Rate Schedules RS, RTS (R), and RTD (R),
- (2) Small Commercial and Industrial (Small C&I): Consisting of Rate Schedules GS-1, GS-3, IS-1 (R), BL, SA, SM, SHS, SE, TS (R), SI-1 (R), GH-1 (R), and GH-2 (R), and
- (3) Large Commercial and Industrial (Large C&I): Consisting of Rate Schedules LP-4, IS-P (R), LP-5, LP-6, LPEP, IS-T (R), and L5S.

The ACR will be computed for each customer receiving distribution service from the Company using the formulae described below. For residential customers, the ACR charge shall be included in the distribution charges of the monthly bill. For all other customers, the ACR charge shall be listed as a separate charge on the monthly bill. All charges shall be reconciled on an annual basis for undercollections and overcollections experienced during the previous year. Charges set forth in the residential rate schedules in this tariff have been adjusted to reflect application of the currently effective ACR.

The ACR for the Residential class and the Small C&I class shall be computed using the following formula:

$$ACR = [ACc/S - E/S] \times 1 / (1-T)$$

The ACR for the Large C&I class shall be computed using the following formula:

$$ACR = [ACc/D - E/D] \times 1 / (1-T)$$

Where:

ACc = A levelized annual budget of all costs required for the Company to implement its Commission-approved energy efficiency and conservation (EE&C) Plan during a compliance year. A compliance year is the 12-month period beginning June 1 of each calendar year and ending May 31 of the following calendar year. The levelized annual budget amount is the sum of all direct and indirect costs (including all deferred design and development costs, general administrative costs, and applicable statewide evaluator costs) required to implement the Company's EE&C Plan divided by the number of months during which the Company's EE&C Plan will be in effect multiplied by the number of months in the compliance year.

The costs of each EE&C program available to only one customer class will be directly assigned to that customer class. Costs of EE&C programs which cannot be directly assigned to one customer class will be allocated to the customer classes benefiting from those programs using an allocation factor determined by dividing the EE&C costs directly assigned to each customer class by the total of the Company's EE&C Plan costs directly assigned to all customer classes.

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ACT 129 COMPLIANCE RIDER (CONTINUED)

- D = For the Large C&I customer class, the total of the monthly billing demands for all customers in the class, projected for the computation year. The peak demand will be based on the customer's peak load contribution to the PJM peak load during the prior year of the PJM Planning Year.
- E = Net over or undercollection of the ACR charges as of the end of the 12-month period ending April 30 immediately preceding the next compliance year. Phase I ACR revenues and expenses shall be accounted for and reconciled separately from Phase II revenues and expenses. Reconciliation of the ACR will be conducted separately for each of the three customer classes based upon the annual EE&C budget for each customer class. No interest shall be computed monthly on over or undercollections. The reconciliation of Phase I revenues and expenses shall be adjusted during the 2013–2014 ACR application year to reflect actual data for the month of May 2013 and any expenses incurred during Phase I but not paid until after the end of Phase I.
- S = The Company's total retail KWH sales to customers in each customer class who receive distribution service under this tariff (including distribution losses), projected for the computation year.
- T = The total Pennsylvania gross receipts tax rate in effect during the billing period, expressed in decimal form.

The ACR shall be filed with the Pennsylvania Public Utility Commission (Commission) by May 1 of each year. The ACR charge shall become effective for distribution service provided to all customers on or after the following June 1, unless otherwise ordered by the Commission, and shall remain in effect for a period of one year, unless revised on an interim basis subject to the approval of the Commission. Upon determination that a customer class's ACR, if left unchanged, would result in a material over or undercollection of Act 129 Compliance costs incurred or expected to be incurred during the current 12-month period ending May 31, the Company may file with the Commission for an interim revision of the ACR to become effective thirty (30) days from the date of filing, unless otherwise ordered by the Commission.

At the conclusion of each EE&C Plan, collections under the ACR for each customer class will be reconciled to the total cost of the EE&C Plan allowed by the Commission for that customer class. Overcollections or undercollections will be reflected in the E factor, defined above, and will be refunded or recovered through the ACR calculated for the first compliance year of the subsequent EE&C Plan. If the Company does not implement a subsequent EE&C Plan, the current ACR will be continued for an additional year to refund any overcollections or recover any undercollections.

Minimum bills shall not be reduced by reason of the ACR, nor shall charges hereunder be a part of the monthly rate schedule minimum. The ACR shall not be subject to any credits or discounts. The State Tax Adjustment Surcharge (STAS) included in this Tariff is applied to charges under this Rider.

The Company shall file a report of collections under the ACR within thirty (30) days following the conclusion of each computation-year quarter. These reports will be in a form prescribed by the Commission. The third-quarter report shall be accompanied by a preliminary forecast of the ACR for the next computation year.

Application of the ACR shall be subject to review and audit by the Commission at intervals it shall determine. The Commission shall review the level of charges produced by the ACR and the costs included therein.

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Proceedings in Which Mr. Kleha Provided Expert Testimony

As an analyst in the Pennsylvania Public Utility Commission's ("PUC") former Bureau of Rates and Research, Mr. Kleha offered testimony in the following electric utility rate proceedings:

<u>Company</u>	<u>Docket No.</u>
Duquesne Light Company	R-79010740
UGI Corp. - Luzerne Division	R-79050863
Philadelphia Electric Company	R-79060865
West Penn Power Company	R-80021082
Pennsylvania Power & Light Co.	R-80031114
Metropolitan Edison Company	R-80051196
Pennsylvania Electric Company	R-80051197

As an employee of PPL Electric and PPL Services, Mr. Kleha has offered expert testimony in the following electric and gas utility proceedings before the PUC and the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission ("FERC").

<u>PA PUC</u>	<u>FERC</u>
Docket No. I-900005	Docket No. ER88-545-000
Docket No. P-910521	Docket No. ER91-322-000
Docket No. M-00930406	Docket No. ER95-1267-000
Docket No. C-00935175	Docket No. ER96-930-000
Docket No. C-00935403	Docket No. ER96-931-000
Docket No. R-00943271	Docket No. ER96-932-000
Docket No. C-00957559	Docket No. ER96-933-000
Docket No. P-00961023	Docket No. ER96-1428-000
Docket No. C-00967591	Docket No. SC97-1-000
Docket No. C-00967955	Docket No. OA96-142-000
Docket No. C-00968035	Docket No. ER97-4829-000
Docket No. P-00961114	Docket No. ER97-3189-007
Docket No. R-00973954	Docket No. EL98-25-000
Docket No. P-00001789	Docket No. ER02-597-000
Docket No. M-FACE9908	Docket No. ER03-421-002
Docket No. R-00005277	Docket No. ER04-056-000
Docket No. M-FACE0008	Docket No. ER08-1457-000
Docket No. M-FACE0111	Docket No. ER09-1148-000
Docket No. R-00016850	Docket No. ER10-152-000
Docket No. M-FACE0212	Docket No. ER10-1209-000
Docket No. M-FACE0311	Docket No. ER12-1397-000
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Docket No. R-00072155
Docket No. A-2008-2034047 etc.
Docket No. P-2008-2060309
Docket No. A-2008-2022941
Docket No. M-2008-2078645
Docket No. M-2008-2078647
Docket No. M-2008-2078709
Docket No. M-2008-2078713
Docket No. A-2009-2082652
Docket No. M-2009-2093216
Docket No. M-2009-2123945
Docket No. P-2009-2129502
Docket No. R-2009-2122718
Docket No. M-2009-2145186
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Docket No. M-2009-2145838
Docket No. M-2009-2145273
Docket No. R-2010-2161694*
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Docket No. M-2010-2213701
Docket No. M-2010-2213731
Docket No. M-2010-2213754
Docket No. M-2010-2208246
Docket No. M-2011-2239839
Docket No. M-2011-2240268
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Docket No. M-2011-2240273
Docket Nos. C-2011-2245906/
M-2011-2243137
Docket No. P-2011-2256365
Docket No. M-2011-2258256
Docket No. R-2011-2264771
Docket No. M-2011-2276341
Docket No. R-2012-2290597