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September 16, 2010
(as email attachment only)

Mr. Ed Tatum
Chair, Members Committee
PJM Interconnection, L.L.C.
955 Jefferson Avenue
Norristown, PA 19403

Re: Funding for Consumer Advocates

Dear Mr. Tatum:

Bill Fields of the Maryland Office of People's Counsel, on behalf of several state consumer advocates has indicated that a proposal to fund a proposed organization – currently named the Consumer Advocates of PJM States, Inc. (“CAPS”) – will be placed before the PJM Members Committee (“MC”) for approval during the MC’s September 23rd meeting. We understand that the proposal seeks to have a PJM tariff similar to the one that funds OPSI but with no relation to OPSI or OPSI’s funding.

The OPSI Board, during its meeting yesterday, passed a resolution to support such a mechanism for CAPS funding support with conditions as follows: (i) the funding support would be limited to an organization comprised of individual state agencies that are consumer advocates and other entities that are created by individual state legislation to be consumer advocates, limited to the PJM service territory; and (ii) the funding support could be used only for activities related to PJM and FERC, and not for activities related to proceedings in front of state agencies.

If you have any questions on this matter, please feel free to contact Raj Barua, OPSI’s Executive Director, who will be in attendance at your September 23rd MC meeting.

Sincerely,

/s/ Jon W. McKinney

Jon W. McKinney
Commissioner, PSC of West Virginia, and
President, Organization of PJM States, Inc.

cc: PJM Board of Managers
Bill Fields, Maryland Office of People’s Counsel