

September 23, 2014

#### VIA FEDERAL EXPRESS

Honorable Kristi Izzo, Secretary New Jersey Board of Public Utilities 44 South Clinton Avenue, 9th Floor P.O. Box 350 Trenton, NJ 08625-0350

Re:

IN THE MATTER OF THE PETITION
OF NEW JERSEY NATURAL GAS
PETITION COMPANY FOR THE ANNUAL
REVIEW AND REVISION OF SOCIETAL
BENEFITS CHARGE FACTORS FOR
REMEDIATION YEAR 2014
BPU DOCKET NO. GR1409\_\_

# Dear Secretary Izzo:

Enclosed herewith for filing, please find an original and ten (10) copies of the Petition of New Jersey Natural Gas Company (NJNG) for the Annual Review and Revision of its Societal Benefits Charge (SBC) Factors.

Included in this filing are the testimonies of Michael P. Moscufo, Jr. and John Raspa, schedules and red-lined NJNG tariff sheets in support of this Petition.

A copy of the Petition is being served upon the New Jersey Division of Rate Counsel and the Division of Law.

Kindly acknowledge receipt of this filing by date stamping the enclosed copy of this letter and returning same in the self-addressed, stamped envelope.

Respectfully submitted,

Andrew K. Dembia

Regulatory Affairs Counsel

AKD:fk Enclosures

C: Service List

# IN THE MATTER OF THE PETITION OF NEW JERSEY NATURAL GAS COMPANY FOR THE ANNUAL REVIEW AND REVISION OF SOCIETAL BENEFITS CHARGE (SBC) FACTORS FOR REMEDIATION YEARS 2014 DOCKET NO. GR1409\_\_\_\_ OAL DOCKET NO. PUC \_\_\_\_\_

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# STATE OF NEW JERSEY BOARD OF PUBLIC UTILITIES

IN THE MATTER OF THE PETITION	)	
OF NEW JERSEY NATURAL GAS	)	PETITION
COMPANY FOR THE ANNUAL REVIEW	)	
AND REVISION OF SOCIETAL BENEFITS	)	BPU DOCKET NO. GR1409_
CHARGE FACTORS FOR	)	
REMEDIATION YEAR 2014	)	

TO: THE HONORABLE COMMISSIONERS OF THE NEW JERSEY BOARD OF PUBLIC UTILITIES

New Jersey Natural Gas Company ("Petitioner", "NJNG" or the "Company") hereby requests that the New Jersey Board of Public Utilities (the "Board" or "BPU") approve, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 48:2-21, the Company's filing related to its Societal Benefits Charge ("SBC") factors. The factors included in the SBC are the Remediation Adjustment ("RA") rate, the statewide Universal Service Fund ("USF") rate, and the New Jersey Clean Energy Program ("NJCEP") rate. The Company is requesting in this filing that the Board: (1) decrease the Company's existing after-tax RA rate of \$0.0300 per therm to \$0.0134 per therm; (2) decrease the NJCEP rate of \$0.0422 per therm to \$0.0257 per therm; and (3) approve the remediation expenditures incurred by the Company for the period July 1, 2013 through June 30, 2014 ("Remediation Year 2014"), to be effective October 1, 2014, or as of the effective date of the Board Order in this proceeding. These rate changes result in an overall decrease of approximately 3 percent<sup>2</sup> to the average residential heating customers' monthly bill.

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> USF is a fund established by the Board to help provide affordable electric and natural gas heating service for eligible residential customers in New Jersey. The statewide USF rates are addressed in annual filings submitted simultaneously by New Jersey's natural gas and electric utilities. The current after-tax natural gas USF factor of \$0.0126 per therm was approved by the Board in its September 18, 2013 Order in Docket No. ER13060534. On June 20, 2014, NJNG filed a letter petition with the BPU requesting an increase to the statewide USF factor from \$0.0126 per therm to \$0.0170 per therm, effective October 1, 2014.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> See Attachment A to the Petition for the SBC rate impacts on NJNG customers.

- 1. Petitioner is a corporation duly organized under the laws of the State of New Jersey and is a public utility engaged in the sale, distribution and transportation of natural gas subject to the jurisdiction of the Board. Petitioner's principal business office is located at 1415 Wyckoff Road, Wall, New Jersey 07719.
- 2. Communications and correspondence relating to this Petition should be sent to:

Mark R. Sperduto, Senior Vice President - Regulatory Affairs Andrew K. Dembia, Esq., Regulatory Affairs Counsel New Jersey Natural Gas Company 1415 Wyckoff Road, P.O. Box 1464 Wall, New Jersey 07719 (732) 938-1214 (M. Sperduto) (732) 938-1073 (A. Dembia) (732) 938-2620 (fax)

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- 3. The SBC was established within the Electric Discount and Energy Competition Act ("EDECA"), N.J.S.A. 48:3-49 et seq., for the recovery by natural gas and electric utilities of costs associated with Manufactured Gas Plant ("MGP") remediation, consumer education, assistance to low-income customers including the USF, and renewable and energy-efficiency programs now provided through the NJCEP.
- 4. Pursuant to a Board Order dated March 30, 2001, approving the Stipulation in Docket Nos. GX99030121 and GO99030123 (the "Unbundling Order"), NJNG received approval to implement and assess an SBC as a non-bypassable charge applicable to the Company's customers<sup>3</sup>.

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> Pursuant to legislation signed into law on January 28, 2011, <u>N.J.S.A.</u>48:3-60.1, natural gas commodity and delivery service charges for natural gas that is used to generate electricity for resale are not to include SBC charges.

- 5. In addition to the Petition, this filing includes testimonies, schedules and red-lined NJNG Gas Service Tariff sheets<sup>4</sup> in support of NJNG's proposed RA and CEP factor decreases. The direct testimony of Michael P. Moscufo, Jr. includes Exhibit A, Schedule 3 for the RA Factor and Exhibit B for the NJCEP Factor. The direct testimony of John Raspa, which addresses remediation activities at each of NJNG's former five MGP sites, also is included. Additional information responsive to the fifteen (15) minimum filing requirements ("MFR's") for RA filings, approved by the BPU in Docket No. GR13070674, will be provided at a later date under separate cover.
- 6. As part of the settlement of the Company's base rate case in BPU Docket No. GR91081383J, and subsequently approved in the Unbundling Order noted above, the Board approved and established the RA clause as the cost recovery method by which the Company is permitted to recover its actual Remediation Costs, on a deferred basis, over a rolling-seven year period. Remediation Costs include all investigation, testing, land acquisition if appropriate, remediation and/or litigation costs and expenses, and other liabilities specifically relating to MGP facility sites, disposal sites, or sites to which material may have migrated, as a result of the earlier operation or decommissioning of MGP sites.
- 7. In BPU Docket No. EX99050347, the Board approved the implementation of the Comprehensive Resource Analysis ("CRA") Program pursuant to EDECA. Those programs now are referred to as NJCEP. On August 7, 2008, in BPU Docket No. EO07030203, the Board established each utility's level of expenditures for the statewide NJCEP for calendar years 2009 through 2012. Subsequent utility expenditure levels, in various BPU Dockets, were approved by the BPU. NJNG's funding obligation, approved by the BPU in June 2014 in Docket No. EO11050324, is \$15.6 million through June 2015.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> NJNG Gas Service Tariff Sheets – Attachment B to the Petition.

- 8. On July 23, 2014, in BPU Docket No. GR13070674, the Board issued an "Order Adopting Initial Decision and Approving Stipulation" ("July 23 Order") which authorized the Company to maintain its after-tax RA rate of \$0.0300 per therm, its NJCEP after-tax rate of \$0.0422 per therm and its USF after-tax rate in its SBC of \$0.0126 per therm. These rates comprise NJNG's SBC after-tax rate of \$0.0848 per therm.
- 9. The Company has served a copy of this Petition, together with the testimonies, schedules and red-lined tariff sheets, upon the New Jersey Division of Rate Counsel and the Division of Law.

WHEREFORE, NJNG respectfully requests that the Board:

(i) approve as of October 1, 2014, or as of the effective date of the Board Order in this proceeding, NJNG's request to: (1) decrease its RA Factor; (2) decrease its NJCEP Factor;

and (3) approve Remediation Year 2014 costs;

(ii) grant final approval of the Company's proposals included in this Petition; and

(iii) grant such other relief, as the Board deems just, reasonable and necessary.

Respectfully submitted,

NEW JERSEY NATURAL GAS COMPANY

Andrew K. Dembia, Esq.

Attorney for New Jersey Natural Gas Company

Date: September 23, 2014

# STATE OF NEW JERSEY ) COUNTY OF MONMOUTH )

# **VERIFICATION**

MARK R. SPERDUTO of full age, being duly sworn according to law, on his oath deposes and says:

- 1. I am Senior Vice President, Regulatory Affairs for New Jersey Natural Gas Company, the Petitioner in the foregoing Petition.
- 2. I have read the annexed Petition, along with the Schedules and Exhibits attached thereto, and the matters and things contained therein are true to the best of my knowledge and belief.

Mark R. Sperduto

Sworn and subscribed to before me this 3 day

of

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LISA HAMILTON
NOTARY PUBLIC FOR NEW JERSEY
Commission Expires January 4, 2015



#### New Jersey Natural Gas Company Net impact of Proposed Rate Changes BPU Docket No. GR1409\_\_\_\_ FY2015

(\$/therm)

				10/1/20 <sup>-</sup>	14			
	Component of	Cu	Current Proposed		Current Proposed		Chai	nge
		Pre-tax	Post-tax	Pre-tax	Post-tax	Pre-tax	Post-tax	
RAC	Delivery Price	0.0280	0.0300	0.0125	0.0134	(0.0155)	(0.0166)	
NJCEP	Delivery Price	0.0394	0.0422	0.0240	0.0257	(0.0154)	(0.0165)	
USF	Delivery Price	0.0118	0.0126	<u>0.0118</u>	0.0126	0.0000	0.0000	
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BGSS \$0.4493 \$44.93	
Total \$1.0084 \$125.84	
Proposed prices- effective 10/1/14	
Customer Charge \$25.00 \$25.00	
Delivery \$0.5260 \$52.60 BGSS \$0.4493 \$44.93	
Total \$0.9753 \$122.53	
Increase (\$3.31)	
Increase as a percent (2.63%)	
Impact on Commercial GSL Customers	
1200 therm bill  Current Prices	
Customer Charge \$40.00 \$40.00	
Demand Charge \$1.50 \$175.50	
Delivery \$0.4938 \$592.56	
BGSS (Sep 2014) \$0.6010 \$721.20	
Total \$1.0948\$1,529.26	
Proposed prices- effective 10/1/14	
Customer Charge \$40.00 \$40.00	
Demand Charge \$1.50 \$175.50	
Delivery \$0.4607 \$552.84	
BGSS (Sep 2014) \$0.6010 \$721.20	
Total \$1.0617 <u>\$1,489.54</u>	
Increase (\$39.72)	

BPU No. 8 - Gas

Twenty-<u>Second</u>First Revised Sheet No. 51 Superseding Twenty-FirstTwentieth Revised Sheet No. 51

# **SERVICE CLASSIFICATION - RS**

# RESIDENTIAL SERVICE

#### **AVAILABILITY**

This service is available to any residential Customer in the territory served by the Company using gas for any domestic purpose. This rate is applicable to individually-metered apartments and to rooming and boarding houses where the number of rental bedrooms is not more than twice the number of bedrooms used by the Customer.

Gas delivered under this schedule may not be used for other than domestic purposes except when such use is incidental to domestic use.

# **CHARACTER OF SERVICE**

Firm gas service where Customer may either purchase gas supply from the Company's Rider "A" for Basic Gas Supply Service ("BGSS") or from a Marketer or Broker.

#### **MONTHLY RATES**

#### **Customer Charge:**

Customer Charge per meter per month

\$8.25

#### Delivery Charge:

#### **Residential Heating**

Delivery Charge per therm

\$<del>0.5662</del>0.5331

#### **Residential Non-Heating**

Delivery Charge per therm

\$0.54710.5140

# **BGSS Charge:**

BGSS Charge per therm for Sales Customers

See "Rate Summaries" at the end of this Tariff

These rates are inclusive of all applicable taxes and riders and are subject to adjustment for all other applicable riders, taxes, assessments or similar charges lawfully imposed by the Company. See Rate Summaries at the end of this Tariff for a summary of components incorporated in these rates.

Date of Issue: December 19, 2013

Effective for service rendered on and after October January 1,

Issued by: 2014

Mark R. Sperduto, Senior Vice President

Wall, NJ 07719

Filed pursuant to

Order of the Board of Public Utilities entered in

Docket No. GR1409 the Board's Secretary letter dated December 18, 2013 I/M/O the Phase Out of the Transitional Energy Facility Assessment ("TEFA") Pursuant to N.J.S.A. 48:2-21.34 (5) and N.J.S.A. 54:30A-102 in

Docket No. E011110800

BPU No. 8 - Gas

<u>Nineteenth Eighteenth</u> Revised Sheet No. 54 Superseding Eighteenth Seventeenth Revised Sheet No. 54

# <u>SERVICE CLASSIFICATION – DGR</u>

# DISTRIBUTED GENERATION SERVICE - RESIDENTIAL

# **AVAILABILITY**

This service is available to any residential customer using distributed generation technologies including, but not limited to, microturbines and fuel cells to generate electricity for domestic purposes.

# **CHARACTER OF SERVICE**

Firm gas service where Customer may either purchase gas supply from the Company's Rider "A" for Basic Gas Supply Service ("BGSS") or from a Marketer or Broker.

#### **MONTHLY RATES**

Customer Charge:

Customer Charge per meter per month \$8.25

**Delivery Charge:** 

November - April \$0.39590.3628

May - October \$0.33880.3057

BGSS Charge:

BGSS Charge per therm for Sales Customers See "Rate Summaries" at the end of this Tariff

These rates are inclusive of all applicable taxes and riders and are subject to adjustment for all other applicable riders, taxes, assessments or similar charges lawfully imposed by the Company. See Rate Summaries at the end of this Tariff for a summary of components incorporated in these rates.

#### MINIMUM MONTHLY CHARGE

The minimum monthly charge shall be the Customer Charge. Where service is taken for less than one month, the minimum charge will be prorated.

#### BALANCING CHARGE ADJUSTMENTS

Date of Issue: December 19, 2013

Mark R. Sperduto, Senior Vice President

Issued by: 2014

Wall, NJ 07719

Effective for service rendered on and after October January 1,

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Docket No. GR1409\_\_\_the Board's Secretary letter dated December 18, 2013 I/M/O the Phase Out of the Transitional Energy
Facility Assessment ("TEFA") Pursuant to N.J.S.A. 48:2-21.34 (5) and N.J.S.A. 54:30A-102—in

Docket No. E011110800

BPU No. 8 - Gas

Nineteenth Eighteenth Revised Sheet No. 54 Superseding EighteenthSeventeenth Revised Sheet No. 54

# <u>SERVICE CLASSIFICATION – DGR</u>

### DISTRIBUTED GENERATION SERVICE - RESIDENTIAL

The Balancing Charge is included in the Delivery Charge and is subject to adjustment in the Company's annual BGSS proceeding. All revenues derived from this Charge will be credited to the BGSS. See Rider "A" for the current Balancing Charge.

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Mark R. Sperduto, Senior Vice President

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Wall, NJ 07719

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Docket No. EO11110800

BPU No. 8 - Gas

Twenty-SecondFirst Revised Sheet No. 56 Superseding Twenty-FirstTwentieth Revised Sheet No. 56

# <u>SERVICE CLASSIFICATION – GSS</u>

# **GENERAL SERVICE - SMALL**

#### **AVAILABILITY**

This service is available to any Customer in the entire territory served by the Company who uses less than 5,000 therms annually and uses gas for all purposes other than residential service and interruptible service. Where the Customer uses the Cooling, Air Conditioning and Pool Heating service ("CAC"), the Company will, upon application by the Customer, meter the space heating and CAC use separately. Street Lighting Service also will be supplied under this schedule.

# **CHARACTER OF SERVICE**

Firm gas service where Customer may either purchase gas supply from the Company's Rider "A" for Basic Gas Supply Service ("BGSS") or from a Marketer or Broker.

# **MONTHLY RATES**

#### Customer Charge:

Customer Charge per meter per month

\$25.00

# **Delivery Charge:**

Delivery Charge per therm

\$<del>0.5591</del>0.5260

#### **BGSS Charge:**

BGSS Charge per therm for Sales Customers

See "Rate Summaries" at the end of this Tariff

These rates are inclusive of all applicable taxes and riders and are subject to adjustment for all other applicable riders, taxes, assessments or similar charges lawfully imposed by the Company. See Rate Summaries at the end of this Tariff for a summary of components incorporated in these rates.

# **MINIMUM MONTHLY CHARGE**

The minimum monthly charge shall be the Customer Charge.

Where service is taken for less than one month, the minimum charge will be prorated.

#### **BALANCING CHARGE ADJUSTMENTS**

The Balancing Charge is included in the Delivery Charge and is subject to adjustment in the Company's annual BGSS proceeding. All revenues derived from this Charge will be credited to the BGSS. See Rider "A" for the current Balancing Charge.

Date of Issue: December 19, 2013

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Wall, NJ 07719

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Docket No. E011110800

BPU No. 8 - Gas

Twenty-SecondFirst Revised Sheet No. 59 Superseding Twenty-First Twentieth Revised Sheet No. 59

# SERVICE CLASSIFICATION - GSL

#### **GENERAL SERVICE - LARGE**

#### *AVAILABILITY*

This service is available to any Customer in the entire territory served by the Company who uses greater than or equal to 5,000 therms annually and uses gas for all purposes other than residential service and interruptible service. Where the Customer uses the Cooling, Air Conditioning and Pool Heating service ("CAC") under Special Provision 1 applicable to customers purchasing gas supply under Rider "A", the Company will, upon application by the Customer, meter the space heating and CAC use separately.

# **CHARACTER OF SERVICE**

Firm gas service where Customer may either purchase gas supply from the Company's Rider "A" for Basic Gas Supply Service ("BGSS") or from a Marketer or Broker.

#### **MONTHLY RATES**

Customer Charge:

Customer Charge per meter per month \$40.00

Demand Charge:

Demand Charge per therm applied to HMAD \$1.50

Delivery Charge:

Delivery Charge per therm \$0.49380.4607

**BGSS** Charge:

BGSS Charge per therm for Sales Customers See "Rate Summaries" at the end of this Tariff

These rates are inclusive of all applicable taxes and riders and are subject to adjustment for all other applicable riders, taxes, assessments or similar charges lawfully imposed by the Company. See Rate Summaries at the end of this Tariff for a summary of components incorporated in these rates.

# **MINIMUM MONTHLY CHARGE**

The minimum monthly charge shall be the Customer Charge and the Demand Charge.

Where service is taken for less than one month, the minimum charge will be prorated.

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# SERVICE CLASSIFICATION - FT

# FIRM TRANSPORTATION SERVICE

#### **AVAILABILITY**

This service is available to any customer who would otherwise qualify for service under Service Classifications GSS, GSL, FC, IS, or NGV. The Customer must provide to the Company's satisfaction, a firm gas supply having marketable title of gas with firm transportation capacity to the Company's distribution system.

#### **MONTHLY RATES**

**Customer Charge:** 

Customer Charge per meter per month \$50.00

**Demand Charge:** 

Demand Charge per therm applied to MDQ \$1.37

Delivery Charge:

Delivery Charge per therm for High Load Factor ("HLF") customers

\$\frac{0.22750.1944}{0.25930.2262}\$

Delivery Charge per therm for Low Load Factor ("LLF") customers

\$\frac{0.22750.1944}{0.25930.2262}\$

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#### MINIMUM MONTHLY CHARGE

The minimum monthly charge shall be the Customer Charge and the Demand Charge.

Where service is taken for less than one month, the minimum charge will be prorated.

#### **DETERMINATION OF LOAD FACTOR**

#### 1. Calculation of Load Factor

Each Customer's load factor will be equal to the result of dividing the total annual usage by the highest single month's usage times twelve (12). The formula to be used is:

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Load Factor = Total Annual Use
Highest Month's Use X 12

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# **SERVICE CLASSIFICATION - DGC**

# <u>DISTRIBUTED GENERATION SERVICE - COMMERCIAL</u>

# **AVAILABILITY**

This service is available to any commercial customer using distributed generation technologies including, but not limited to, microturbines and fuel cells.

# **CONDITIONS PRECEDENT**

If the Customer is served by a Marketer or Broker, the Marketer or Broker assumes the responsibility for all delivery requirements. The Customer also must have clear and marketable title of gas with firm transportation capacity to the Company's distribution systems. If the Company so requests, the Customer must provide such proof. The Customer is responsible for payment of any costs if additional facilities, exclusive of metering facilities, are necessary to provide service. The Company reserves the right to limit new customers served under this service, if it determines that service expansion is detrimental to existing firm customers. The Customer must demonstrate that qualifying electric generation equipment has been installed at its location.

# **MONTHLY RATES**

	DGC-Balancing	DGC-FT
Customer Charge:  Customer Charge per meter per month	\$40.00	\$40.00
<u>Demand Charge:</u> Demand Charge per therm applied to PBQ	\$0.60	\$0.60
<u>Delivery Charge per therm:</u> November - April	\$ <del>0.3056</del> <u>0.2725</u>	\$ <del>0.2193</del> <u>0.1862</u>
May - October	\$ <del>0.2728</del> <u>0.2397</u>	\$ <del>0.1865</del> <u>0.1534</u>

The Delivery Charges for DGC-Balancing above include the Balancing Charge as reflected in Rider "A" of this Tariff for customers whose Marketer or Broker deliver gas on their behalf pursuant to paragraph (1) under Minimum Daily Delivery Volumes section of this Service Classification. For DGC-FT customers whose Marketer or Broker deliver gas on their behalf pursuant to paragraph (2) under Minimum Daily Delivery Volumes section of this Service Classification, the DGC-FT Delivery Charges above exclude the Balancing Charge reflected in Rider "A" of this Tariff.

These rates are inclusive of all applicable taxes and riders and are subject to adjustment for all other applicable riders, taxes, assessments or similar charges lawfully imposed by the Company. See Rate Summaries at the end of this Tariff for a summary of components incorporated in these rates.

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# <u>SERVICE CLASSIFICATION - FC</u>

#### **FIRM COGENERATION**

# **AVAILABILITY**

This service is applicable to commercial and industrial Customers using gas for the sequential production of electrical and/or mechanical energy and useful thermal energy from the same fuel source as defined in Section 201 of The Public Utility Regulatory Policies Act (PURPA) of 1978.

The Customer must 1) certify that the cogeneration facility is approved by FERC as a "Qualifying Facility"; 2) sign a Service Agreement; and 3) be in compliance with the terms of N.J.S.A. 54:30A-50 to receive service under this classification.

# **CHARACTER OF SERVICE**

Firm gas sales or transportation service.

# **MONTHLY RATES**

**Customer Charge:** 

Customer Charge per meter per month \$49.49

Demand Charge:

Demand Charge per therm applied to MDQ \$1.00

**Delivery Charge:** 

Delivery Charge per therm \$0.33790.3048

**BGSS Charge:** 

BGSS Charge per therm for Sales Customers

See "Rate Summaries" at the end of this Tariff

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# <u>SERVICE CLASSIFICATION - IS</u>

#### <u>INTERRUPTIBLE SERVICE</u>

# **AVAILABILITY**

This service is applicable to Commercial and Industrial Customers whose minimum connected load is not less than 150 therms per hour and who sign a service agreement, providing gas is used only at locations where the Company has 1) adequate distribution facilities and 2) an adequate supply of natural gas. Customers will be required to specify that they have alternate fuel facilities installed in operating condition with an adequate fuel supply, as discussed in Special Provision 1.

# **CHARACTER OF SERVICE**

Interruptible gas sales and transportation service.

#### **MONTHLY RATES**

**Customer Charge:** 

Customer Charge per meter per month \$575.00

**Delivery Charge:** 

**Customers with Alternate Fuel** 

**Customers without Alternate Fuel** 

Delivery Charge per therm \$\text{0.41210.3790}\$

**BGSS Charge:** 

BGSS Charge per therm for Sales Customers See "Rate Summaries" at the end of this Tariff

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#### **MINIMUM MONTHLY CHARGE**

The minimum monthly charge applicable shall be the Customer Charge. Where service is taken for less than one month, the minimum charge will be prorated.

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# SERVICE CLASSIFICATIONS - CNG

# COMPRESSED NATURAL GAS

#### **AVAILABILITY**

This service is available to any customer who would otherwise qualify for service under Service Classifications RS, GSS, GSL, FT, IS, or NGV and who will utilize natural gas for the purpose of fueling natural gas vehicles at Company owned compressed natural gas re-fueling facilities operated by the Customer on its property ("Host Customer").

Availability of this Service Classification is subject to the terms and conditions approved in BPU Docket No. GR11060361.

# **CONDITIONS PRECEDENT**

The Host Customer must sign an Agreement with the Company. The Host Customer must provide assurance that it will use initially at least twenty (20) percent of the re-fueling facility's capacity. The Host Customer must agree to provide the general public with reasonable access to a re-fueling facility for purposes of fueling the general public's natural gas vehicles.

#### DEFINITION OF TERM USED HEREIN

"GGE" is the Gasoline Gallon Equivalent for converting a price per therm of natural gas to a price per gallon of gasoline. The GGE shall be determined in accordance with local standards.

# **CHARACTER OF SERVICE**

Firm gas service where Host Customer may purchase gas supply pursuant to the Company's Rider "A" for Basic Gas Supply Service ("BGSS"), from the Company through a contract, or from a Marketer or Broker.

#### **MONTHLY RATES**

#### Customer Charge:

Customer Charge per meter per month \$50.00

# **Delivery Charge:**

Delivery Charge per therm \$0.48640.4533

(\$<del>0.6080</del>0.5666 per GGE)

BGSS Charge:

Monthly BGSS Charge per therm for Sales Customers

See "Rate Summaries" at the end of

without a gas supply contract this Tariff

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# **MINIMUM MONTHLY CHARGE**

The minimum monthly charge shall be the Customer Charge.

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# **SERVICE CLASSIFICATIONS - CNG**

# **COMPRESSED NATURAL GAS**

Where service is taken for less than one month, the minimum charge will be prorated.

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# RIDER "C"

# <u>REMEDIATION ADJUSTMENT (RA) (continued)</u>

## III. TRACKING THE OPERATION OF THE REMEDIATION ADJUSTMENT CLAUSE

The revenues billed, net of taxes and assessments through the application of the Remediation Adjustment factor shall be accumulated for each month and be applied against the total amortized Remediation Costs calculated for that year. Any over or under collection at the end of the Recovery Year will be included in the determination of the following year's RA factor.

In accordance with P.L. 1997, c. 162, as amended by P.L. 2006, c. 44, the charges applicable under this Rider include provision for the New Jersey Sales and Use Tax ("SUT") and when billed to customers exempt from this tax, as set forth in Rider "B", shall be reduced by the amount of such tax included therein.

The RA factor shall be collected through the SBC on a per-therm basis within the Delivery Charge for all service classifications to which Rider "A" applies. The RA factor for Service Classifications RAC, CAC, IS, NGV, IGS, RS, FT, GSL, and GSS shall be collected as set forth in the respective tariff sheets for each service classification. The RA factor is set forth below:

\$0.03000.0134

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# RIDER "E"

# NEW JERSEY'S CLEAN ENERGY PROGRAM (Continued)

The net amount shall be maintained in a separate deferred account. In the event that the Company determines that an existing NJ's Clean Energy Program rate, if left unchanged, would result in a material over- or under-collection of amounts incurred or expected to be incurred during the current NJ's Clean Energy Program Recovery Year, the Company may file with the BPU for approval of an interim revision of the NJ's Clean Energy Program rate. Such interim revision shall be designed to minimize or eliminate the over- or under-collection expected to result absent such revision either over: (a) the remaining billing months of the current NJ's Clean Energy Program Recovery Year or (b) over such other time period as the BPU shall determine.

Interest shall be computed monthly, at the RAC interest rate as authorized by the Board in Docket No. GX99030123, on the average monthly balances of over- or under-recovery of deferred NJ's Clean Energy costs.

In accordance with P.L. 1997, c. 162, as amended by P.L. 2006, c. 44, the charges applicable under this Rider include provision for the New Jersey Sales and Use Tax ("SUT") and when billed to customers exempt from this tax, as set forth in Rider SUT, shall be reduced by the amount of such tax included therein.

The NJ's Clean Energy Program factor shall be collected through [added to] the SBC on a basis for all service classifications to which this Rider "E" applies. The NJ's Clean Energy Program factor is as set forth below:

\$<del>0.0422</del>0.0257

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# **SUMMARY OF RESIDENTIAL RATE COMPONENTS**

# **Residential Heating Customers**

		Bundled Sales	Transport Sales	Reference
Customer Charge				
Customer Charge per meter		8.25	8.25	
per month				
Delivery Charge ("DEL") per therm				
Transport Rate:				
Pre-tax Base Rate		0.3163	0.3163	
SUT		<u>0.0221</u>	0.0221	Rider B
After-tax Base Rate		0.3384	0.3384	
WNC		0.0000	0.0000	Rider D
CIP		0.0240	0.0240	Rider I
EE		0.0327	0.0327	Rider F
CNGC		<u>0.0000</u>	0.0000	Rider G
Total Transport Rate	a	0.3951	0.3951	
Balancing Charge	b	0.0863	0.0863	Rider A
Societal Benefits Charge ("SBC"):				
NJ's Clean Energy		0.04220.0	0.04220.0257	Rider E
		<u>257</u>		
RA		0.0300 <u>0.0</u>	<del>0.0300</del> <u>0.0134</u>	Rider C
USF		134 0.0126	0.0126	Rider H
OSI		0.0120	0.0120	Kidel II
Total SBC	С	<u>0.08480.0</u> <u>517</u>	<u>0.0848</u> 0.0517	
Delivery Charge (DEL)	a+b+c=d	<u>0.5662</u> 0.5 <u>331</u>	<u>0.5662</u> 0.5331	
Basic Gas Supply Charge ("BGS")				
Periodic BGSS	e	0.5356	X	Rider A
Less: Balancing	f	0.0863	X	
Ç	C			
BGS	e-f=g	<u>0.4493</u>	X	

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# **SUMMARY OF RESIDENTIAL RATE COMPONENTS**

With the exception of the Customer Charge, these rates are on a per-therm basis.

Customer Charge, DEL rate and BGS rate are presented on customer bills.

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# SUMMARY OF RESIDENTIAL RATE COMPONENTS

# **Residential Non-Heating Customers**

		Bundled Sales	Transport Sales	Reference
Customer Charge				
Customer Charge per meter		8.25	8.25	
per month				
Delivery Charge ("DEL") per therm				
Transport Rate:				
Pre-tax Base Rate		0.3163	0.3163	
SUT		0.0221	0.0221	Rider B
After-tax Base Rate		0.3384	0.3384	
CIP		0.0049	0.0049	Rider I
EE		0.0327	0.0327	Rider F
CNGC		0.0000	0.0000	Rider G
Total Transport Rate	a	0.3760	0.3760	
Balancing Charge	b	0.0863	0.0863	Rider A
Societal Benefits Charge ("SBC"):				
NJ's Clean Energy		0.0422 <u>0.0</u> 257	<del>0.0422</del> <u>0.0257</u>	Rider E
RA		0.0300 <u>0.0</u> 134	<u>0.0300</u> <u>0.0134</u>	Rider C
USF		0.0126	0.0126	Rider H
Total SBC	c	<u>0.08480.0</u> <u>517</u>	<u>0.0848</u> 0.0517	
Delivery Charge (DEL)	a+b+c=d	<u>0.5471</u> 0.5 <u>140</u>	<u>0.5471</u> 0.5140	
Basic Gas Supply Charge ("BGS")				
Periodic BGSS	e	0.5356	X	Rider A
Less: Balancing	f	0.0863	X	
BGS	e-f=g	0.4493	X	

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# SUMMARY OF RESIDENTIAL RATE COMPONENTS

# **Residential Distributed Generation Service**

Contamo Chara		<u>Nov - Apr</u>	May - Oct	Reference
<u>Customer Charge</u> Customer Charge per meter		8.25	8.25	
per month				
Delivery Charge ("DEL") per therm				
Transport Rate:				
Pre-tax Base Rate		0.1795	0.1262	
SUT		<u>0.0126</u>	0.0088	Rider B
After-tax Base Rate		0.1921	0.1350	
EE		0.0327	0.0327	Rider F
Total Transport Rate	a	0.2248	0.1677	
Balancing Charge	b	0.0863	0.0863	Rider A
Societal Benefits Charge ("SBC"):				
NJ's Clean Energy		<del>0.0422</del> <u>0.0257</u>	<del>0.0422</del> <u>0.0257</u>	Rider E
RA		<del>0.0300</del> <u>0.0134</u>	<del>0.0300</del> <u>0.0134</u>	Rider C
USF		<u>0.0126</u>	<u>0.0126</u>	Rider H
Total SBC	c	<u>0.0848</u> 0.0517	<u>0.0848</u> 0.0517	
Delivery Charge (DEL)	a+b+c=d	<u>0.3959</u> 0.3628	<u>0.3388</u> 0.3057	
Basic Gas Supply Charge ("BGS")				
Periodic BGSS	e	0.5356	0.5356	Rider A
Less: Balancing	f	0.0863	0.0863	
BGS	e-f=g	<u>0.4493</u>	<u>0.4493</u>	

With the exception of the Customer Charge, these rates are on a per-therm basis.

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# SUMMARY OF FIRM COMMERCIAL RATE COMPONENTS

# **General Service - Small (GSS)**

		Bundled Sales	Transport Sales	Reference
Customer Charge				
Customer Charge per meter per month		25.00	25.00	
Delivery Charge ("DEL") per therm				
Transport Rate:				
Pre-tax Base Rate		0.2778	0.2778	
SUT		<u>0.0194</u>	0.0194	Rider B
After-tax Base Rate		0.2972	0.2972	
WNC		0.0000	0.0000	Rider D
CIP		0.0581	0.0581	Rider I
EE		0.0327	0.0327	Rider F
CNGC		0.0000	0.0000	Rider G
Total Transport Rate	a	0.3880	0.3880	
Balancing Charge	b	0.0863	0.0863	Rider A
Societal Benefits Charge ("SBC"):				
NJ's Clean Energy		0.0422 <u>0.0</u> 257	0.04220.0257	Rider E
RA		0.03000.0 134	0.03000.0134	Rider C
USF		0.0126	<u>0.0126</u>	Rider H
Total SBC	С	<u>0.0848</u> 0.0 <u>517</u>	<u>0.0848</u> 0.0517	
Delivery Charge (DEL)	a+b+c=d	<u>0.5591</u> 0.5 <u>260</u>	<u>0.5591</u> 0.5260	
Basic Gas Supply Charge ("BGS")				
Periodic BGSS	e	0.5356	X	Rider A
Less: Balancing	f	0.0863	X	
BGS	e-f=g	<u>0.4493</u>	X	

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# SUMMARY OF FIRM COMMERCIAL RATE COMPONENTS

# **General Service - Large (GSL)**

		Bundled Sales	Transport Sales	Reference
<u>Customer Charge</u> Customer Charge per meter per month	1	40.00	40.00	
<u>Demand Charge</u> Demand Charge per month applied to	o HMAD	1.50	1.50	
<u>Delivery Charge ("DEL") per therm</u> Transport Rate:				
Pre-tax Base Rate SUT		0.2179 0.0153	0.2179 0.0153	Rider B
After-tax Base Rate WNC CIP EE CNGC		0.2332 0.0000 0.0568 0.0327 <u>0.0000</u>	0.2332 0.0000 0.0568 0.0327 <u>0.0000</u>	Rider D Rider I Rider F Rider G
Total Transport Rate	a	0.3227	0.3227	
Balancing Charge	b	0.0863	0.0863	Rider A
Societal Benefits Charge ("SBC"): NJ's Clean Energy		0.0422 <u>0.0</u> 257	0.04220.0257	Rider E
RA		0.0300 <u>0.0</u> 134	<del>0.0300</del> <u>0.0134</u>	Rider C
USF		0.0126	<u>0.0126</u>	Rider H
Total SBC	c	<u>0.08480.0</u> <u>517</u>	<u>0.0848</u> 0.0517	
Delivery Charge (DEL)	a+b+c=d	<u>0.4938</u> 0.4 <u>607</u>	<u>0.4938</u> 0.4607	
Basic Gas Supply Charge ("BGS")  Monthly BGSS Less: Balancing	e f	0.6873 <u>0.0863</u>	X X	Rider A
BGS	e-f=g	<u>0.6010</u>	X	

With the exception of the Customer Charge and Demand charges, these rates are on a per-therm basis.

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# SUMMARY OF FIRM COMMERCIAL RATE COMPONENTS

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# <u>SUMMARY OF FIRM COMMERCIAL RATE COMPONENTS</u>

#### FIRM TRANSPORTATION (FT)

		<u>HLF</u>	<u>LLF</u>	Reference
Customer Charge Customer Charge per meter per month		50.00	50.00	
<u>Demand Charge</u> Demand Charge per therm per month ap	onlied to MDO	1.37	1.37	
Delivery Charge ("DEL") per therm		-10		
Transport Rate: Pre-tax Base Rate		0.1028	0.1325	
SUT		0.0072	0.0093	Rider B
After-tax Base Rate EE		0.1100 <u>0.0327</u>	0.1418 <u>0.0327</u>	Rider F
Total Transport Rate	a	0.1427	0.1745	
Societal Benefits Charge ("SBC"): NJ's Clean Energy		0.04220.025	0.04220.02	Rider E
RA		0.0300 <u>0.013</u>	57 0.030000.01	Rider C
USF		<u>4</u> 0.0126	3 <u>4</u> 0.0126	Rider H
Total SBC	b	<u>0.08480.051</u> <u>7</u>	<u>0.08480.05</u> <u>17</u>	
Delivery Charge (DEL)	a+b=c	<u>0.2275</u> 0.194 <u>4</u>	<u>0.2593</u> 0.22 <u>62</u>	

With the exception of the Customer Charge and Demand charges, these rates are on a per-therm basis.

Customer, Demand, DEL, and BGSS charges are presented on customer bills.

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# **SUMMARY OF FIRM COMMERCIAL RATE COMPONENTS**

# **Commercial Distributed Generation Service**

C. A. W. Claren		Nov - Apr	May - Oct	Reference
<u>Customer Charge</u> Customer Charge per meter per month		40.00	40.00	
Demand Charge				
Demand Charge per therm per month applied to PBQ		0.60	0.60	
		0.00	0.00	
<u>Delivery Charge ("DEL") per therm</u> Transport Rate:				
Pre-tax Base Rate		0.0951	0.0645	
SUT		<u>0.0067</u>	0.0045	Rider B
After-tax Base Rate		0.1018	0.0690	
EE		0.0327	0.0327	Rider F
CNGC		<u>0.0000</u>	0.0000	Rider G
Total Transport Rate	a	0.1345	0.1017	
Societal Benefits Charge ("SBC"):				
NJ's Clean Energy		<del>0.0422</del> <u>0.0257</u>	<del>0.0422</del> <u>0.0257</u>	Rider E
RA		0.030000.0134	<del>0.0300</del> <u>0.0134</u>	Rider C
USF		<u>0.0126</u>	<u>0.0126</u>	Rider H
Total SBC	c	<u>0.0848</u> 0.0517	<u>0.0848</u> 0.0517	
DGC-FT Delivery Charge (DEL)	a+b=c	<del>0.2193</del> <u>0.1862</u>	<del>0.1865</del> <u>0.1534</u>	
Balancing Charge	b	<u>0.0863</u>	<u>0.0863</u>	
DGC-Balancing Delivery Charge (DEL)	a+b+c=d	<u>0.3056</u> 0.2725	<u>0.2728</u> 0.2397	

The Delivery Charges for DGC-Balancing above include the Balancing Charge as reflected in Rider "A" of this Tariff for customers whose Marketer or Broker deliver gas on their behalf pursuant to paragraph (1) under Minimum Daily Delivery Volumes section of Service Classification DGC. For DGC-FT customers whose Marketer or Broker deliver gas on their behalf pursuant to paragraph (2) under Minimum Daily Delivery Volumes section of Service Classification DGC, the DGC-FT Delivery Charges above exclude the Balancing Charge reflected in Rider "A" of this Tariff.

With the exception of the Customer Charge and Demand Charge, these rates are on a per-therm basis.

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# SUMMARY OF FIRM COMMERCIAL RATE COMPONENTS

Customer Charge, Demand Charge, and DEL rate are presented on customer bills.

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# <u>SUMMARY OF FIRM COMMERCIAL RATE COMPONENTS</u>

# Firm Cogeneration (FC)

		<u>Sales</u>	Transport	Reference
<u>Customer Charge</u> Customer Charge per meter per month		49.49	49.49	
Demand Charge				
Demand Charge per therm per month applied to MDQ		1.00	1.00	
Delivery Charge ("DEL") per therm				
Transport Rate: Pre-tax Base Rate		0.1253	0.1253	
SUT		0.0088	0.0088	Rider B
After-tax Base Rate		0.1341	0.1341	
EE		0.0327	0.0327	Rider F
Total Transport Rate	a	0.1668	0.1668	
Balancing Charge	b	0.0863	0.0863	Rider A
Societal Benefits Charge ("SBC"):				
NJ's Clean Energy		0.04220.0257	0.04220.0257	Rider E
RA USF		0.0126	0.0300 <u>0.0134</u> 0.0126	Rider C Rider H
Total SBC	c	<u>0.0848</u> 0.0517	<u>0.0848</u> 0.0517	
Delivery Charge (DEL)	a+b+c=d	<u>0.3379</u> 0.3048	<u>0.3379</u> 0.3048	
Basic Gas Supply Charge ("BGS")				
Monthly BGSS	e	0.6873	X	Rider A
Less: Balancing	f	0.0863	X	
BGS	e-f=g	<u>0.6010</u>	X	

With the exception of the Customer Charge and Demand Charge, these rates are on a per-therm basis.

Customer Charge, Demand Charge, DEL rate and BGS rate are presented on customer bills.

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## NEW JERSEY NATURAL GAS COMPANY

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## **SUMMARY OF INTERRUPTIBLE RATE COMPONENTS**

## **INTERRUPTIBLE SALES AND TRANSPORTATION**

## With Alternate Fuel

		Bundled Sales	Transport Sales	Reference
Customer Charge per meter per month		575.00	575.00	
<u>Delivery Charge ("DEL") per therm</u> Transport Rate:				
Pre-tax Base Rate		0.0494	0.0494	
SUT		0.0035	0.0035	Rider B
After-tax Base Rate EE		0.0529 <u>0.0327</u>	0.0529 0.0327	Rider F
Total Transport Rate	a	0.0856	0.0856	
Societal Benefits Charge ("SBC"): NJ's Clean Energy		0.0422 <u>0.0</u> 257	0.04220.0257	Rider E
RA		0.0 <mark>300</mark> 0.0	0.030000.0134	Rider C
USF		134 0.0126	0.0126	Rider H
Total SBC	b	<u>0.08480.0</u> <u>517</u>	<u>0.0848</u> 0.0517	
Delivery Charge (DEL)	a+b=c	<u>0.1704</u> 0.1 <u>373</u>	<u>0.1704</u> 0.1373	
Basic Gas Supply Charge ("BGS") Monthly BGSS	d	0.6873	X	Rider A
BGS	d	<u>0.6873</u>	X	

With the exception of the Customer Charge, these rates are on a per-therm basis.

Customer Charge, DEL rate and BGS rate are presented on customer bills.

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## **SUMMARY OF INTERRUPTIBLE RATE COMPONENTS**

## **INTERRUPTIBLE SALES AND TRANSPORTATION**

## **Without Alternate Fuel**

Customer Charge		Bundled Sales	Transport <u>Sales</u>	Reference
Customer Charge per meter per month		575.00	575.00	
<u>Delivery Charge ("DEL") per therm</u> Transport Rate:				
Pre-tax Base Rate SUT		0.2753 <u>0.0193</u>	0.2753 <u>0.0193</u>	Rider B
After-tax Base Rate EE		0.2946 <u>0.0327</u>	0.2946 <u>0.0327</u>	Rider F
Total Transport Rate	a	0.3273	0.3273	
Societal Benefits Charge ("SBC"): NJ's Clean Energy		<del>0.0422</del> 0.0 257	0.04220.0257	Rider E
RA		<del>0.0<mark>300</mark></del> 0.0	0.03000.0134	Rider C
USF		134 0.0126	0.0126	Rider H
Total SBC	b	<u>0.0848</u> 0.0 <u>517</u>	<u>0.0848</u> 0.0517	
Delivery Charge (DEL)	a+b=c	<u>0.4121</u> 0.3 <u>790</u>	<u>0.4121</u> 0.3790	
Basic Gas Supply Charge ("BGS") Monthly BGSS	d	0.6873	X	Rider A
BGS	d	<u>0.6873</u>	X	

With the exception of the Customer Charge, these rates are on a per-therm basis.

Customer Charge, DEL rate and BGS rate are presented on customer bills.

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## SUMMARY OF FIRM COMMERCIAL RATE COMPONENTS

## **Compressed Natural Gas (CNG)**

		Bundled Sales	Transport Sales	Reference
Customer Charge Customer Charge per meter per month		50.00	50.00	
<u>Delivery Charge ("DEL") per therm</u> Transport Rate:				
Pre-tax Base Rate		0.1448	0.1448	
CNG Charge		0.2000	0.2000	
SUT		0.0241	0.0241	Rider B
After-tax Base Rate		0.3689	0.3689	
EE		0.0327	<u>0.0327</u>	Rider F
Total Transport Rate	a	0.4016	0.4016	
Societal Benefits Charge ("SBC"):				
NJ's Clean Energy		0.0422 <u>0.0</u> 257	<del>0.0422</del> <u>0.0257</u>	Rider E
RA		0.0300 <u>0.0</u> 134	<del>0.0300</del> <u>0.0134</u>	Rider C
USF		0.0126	0.0126	Rider H
Total SBC	b	<u>0.08480.0</u> <u>517</u>	<u>0.0848</u> 0.0517	
Delivery Charge (DEL)	a+b=c	<u>0.4864</u> 0.4 <u>533</u>	<u>0.4864</u> 0.4533	
Basic Gas Supply Charge ("BGS") Monthly BGSS	d	0.6873	X	Rider A
BGS	d	<u>0.6873</u>	X	

With the exception of the Customer Charge, these rates are on a per-therm basis.

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## NEW JERSEY NATURAL GAS COMPANY

## DIRECT TESTIMONY OF MICHAEL P. MOSCUFO, JR. DIRECTOR - REVENUE REQUIREMENT

1	Q.	PLEASE STATE YOUR NAME, CURRENT POSITION AND BUSINESS
2		ADDRESS?
3	A.	My name is Michael P. Moscufo, Jr. and I am the Director - Revenue
4		Requirement for New Jersey Natural Gas Company ("NJNG" or the "Company").
5		My business address is 1415 Wyckoff Road, Wall, New Jersey 07719.
6	Q.	PLEASE DESCRIBE YOUR EDUCATION AND BUSINESS
7		EXPERIENCE.
8	A.	I received a Bachelor of Science degree in Accounting from the Philadelphia
9		College of Textiles and Sciences (currently Philadelphia University) in 1979.
10		Furthermore, I am a Certified Public Accountant licensed in the State of New
11		Jersey and the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.
12		I was employed by Associated Utility Services in 1980 as a Regulatory Analyst
13		and promoted to Assistant Vice President in late 1984. In July 1985 I joined the
14		firm of Coopers & Lybrand in their Regulatory Advisory and Accounting Group,
15		providing accounting, auditing and regulatory services to gas, electric and
16		municipal utility clients of the firm. In 1990 I joined Public Service Electric and
17		Gas Company ("PSE&G") as a Principal Auditor and in 1991 was promoted to
18		their Utility Rate Group. During the period 1991 through mid-2006, I participated
19		in the following proceedings: gas and electric distribution base rate proceedings,
20		former manufactured gas plant remediation ("RAC") proceedings, nuclear
21		decommissioning proceedings, Basic Gas Supply Service ("BGSS") proceedings
22		and a Merger & Acquisition proceeding. I submitted testimony in several PSE&G
23		RAC proceedings and testified in a PSE&G gas base rate proceeding on the
24		subject of Cash Working Capital.
25		In September 2006, I joined NJNG and currently maintain the title of Director -
26		Revenue Requirement. Since 2006, I have been involved in a NJNG base rate
27		case filing before the New Jersey Board of Public Utilities ("BPU" or the

"Board") and several rate proceedings, including the BGSS, Societal Benefits
Charge ("SBC"), NJNG Infrastructure Programs (Accelerated Infrastructure
Program ("AIP"), Safety Acceleration and Facility Enhancement ("SAFE"), and NJ
Reinvestment in System Enhancements ("NJ RISE"), Energy Efficiency ("EE")
Programs, Natural Gas Vehicle ("NGV") and other matters requiring BPU review
and/or approval. I submitted testimony in NJNG's last six SBC proceedings and
in the 2007 NJNG base rate case on the subject of Cash Working Capital.

# 8 Q. WHAT ARE YOUR RESPONSIBILITIES AS THE DIRECTOR – 9 REVENUE REQUIREMENT?

I am responsible for directing the preparation of the Company's rate and revenue requirement matters submitted to the BPU, including the annual SBC filing, the annual AIP, SAFE, NJ RISE and EE Program filings and/or reports, and other miscellaneous regulatory filings requiring review and approval by the BPU. Additionally, I am involved with audits related to the BGSS, SBC, RAC and in the Regulatory Affairs Department's daily operations including the financial and regulatory review of quarterly and annual filings before the SEC.

# 17 Q. HAVE YOU PREVIOUSLY TESTIFIED IN OTHER STATE 18 REGULATORY PROCEEDINGS?

Yes. In addition to the proceedings mentioned previously in New Jersey, I have testified in a base rate case regulatory proceeding in the State of Florida.

# Q. WHAT ARE YOUR RESPONSIBILITIES WITH RESPECT TO THIS PROCEEDING?

A. I am responsible for: 1) supporting the schedules contained in the Company's 23 24 SBC filing, including the Remediation Adjustment ("RA") component of the SBC, which sets forth and summarizes actual and estimate remediation 25 26 expenditures incurred by the Company during the period July 1, 2013 – June 30, 27 2014 ("Remediation Year 2014") for the remediation at former NJNG 28 manufactured gas plant ("MGP") sites; 2) supporting the interest calculation on unrecovered deferred MGP expenditure balances; 3) calculating the proposed RA 29 factor necessary to recover the MGP expenditure balance, including interest; and 30

4) addressing the rates for the other clauses within the SBC, including the New Jersey Clean Energy Program ("NJCEP") and the Universal Service Fund ("USF").

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In this SBC filing, NJNG is petitioning the Board: (1) for approval of the RA expenditures for the period July 1, 2013 through June 30, 2014; (2) to decrease the current after-tax RA rate of \$0.0300 per therm to \$0.0134 per therm; and (3) to decrease the current after-tax NJCEP rate from \$0.0422 per therm to \$0.0257 per therm, effective October 1, 2014, or as of the date of a Board order in this proceeding approving these proposed rates.

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## I. HISTORY OF NJNG'S REMEDIATION ADJUSTMENT CLAUSE

# Q. PLEASE DESCRIBE THE HISTORY OF NJNG'S REMEDIATION ADJUSTMENT CLAUSE.

As part of the settlement of the Company's base rate case filing in Docket No. GR91081383J, NJNG was authorized in June 1992 to recover Remediation Costs on a deferred basis, over a rolling seven-year period and subject to BPU approval. As defined in the Company's BPU-approved tariff, "Remediation Costs" include costs associated with all investigation, testing, land acquisition if appropriate, remediation and/or litigation costs and expenses, or other liabilities, excluding personal injury claims, specifically relating to former MGP facility sites, disposal sites, or sites to which material may have migrated, as a result of the earlier operation or decommissioning of MGP sites. Examples of Remediation Costs the Company has previously included for recovery in SBC filings include: soil disposal and replacement, installation and maintenance of long-term groundwater treatment facilities, estuary development, site engineering and construction, consulting, community outreach, legal expenses and certain incremental payroll costs directly relating to the remediation of former MGP sites, disposal sites, or sites to which material may have migrated since operation of these MGP sites. Based on the above settlement, the total annual charge for such Remediation Costs during any Recovery Year (October through the following September) is not permitted to exceed five percent of the Company's total revenues from firm natural gas sales during the preceding Remediation Year (July through the following June).

# 4 Q. HOW IS THE NJNG RA FACTOR CURRENTLY DERIVED AND CALCULATED?

The Company is currently authorized by the BPU to calculate its RA factor using a methodology that permits the Company to recover one-seventh of the actual Remediation Costs the Company incurs each Remediation Year, until fully amortized, plus any prior year Remediation Cost under- or over-recoveries and net of any accumulated deferred third-party recoverable costs. In addition, pursuant to the BPU's "Order Adopting Initial Decision and Stipulation" dated October 5, 2004 in Docket No. GR03030200, the Company is required to calculate and is permitted to recover monthly carrying costs on its unamortized MGP expenditure balances using the methodology set forth on Original Sheet No. 164, dated October 3, 2008 of the Company's Tariff. The referenced methodology provides, in pertinent part, that the Company shall calculate carrying costs on any under- or over-recovered RA cost balances, net of the deferred income taxes associated with those balances, using the same interest rate, which rate will be adjusted each August 31 based upon the seven-year constant maturity Treasury rate, shown in the Federal Reserve Statistical Release, plus 60 basis points. Interest applicable to the Company's unamortized RA balance shall be calculated and will accrue on a monthly basis and shall be rolled into the RA balance at the beginning of the next Remediation Year, as set forth in Original Sheet No. 164 referenced above. The impact and effect of this carrying cost methodology is set forth in Exhibit A, Schedule 7, addressed in further detail below.

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#### II. DESCRIPTION OF SUPPORTING RA SCHEDULES 1 Q. PLEASE PROVIDE A BRIEF EXPLANATION OF EXHIBIT A, 2 3 SCHEDULES 1 THROUGH 7, WHICH SUPPORT THE COMPANY'S PROPOSED REMEDIATION ADJUSTMENT IN THIS FILING. 4 5 Schedule 1 – Summary of Site Expenses for the period July 2013 through 6 June 2014. Schedule 1 provides a summary of actual RA expenditures, by MGP site and cost 7 category, of approximately \$4.2 million for the period July 2013 – June 2014. A 8 summary of MGP expenses by vendor for the period July 2013 - June 30, 2014 9 will be provided subsequently in the Minimum Filing Requirements ("MFRs"). 10 **Schedule 2 – Amortization of Recoverable Costs** 11 12 Schedule 2 provides the amortization calculation for Remediation Year 2014 and recognizes the applicable seven-year recovery period for the year end periods 13 14 June 2008 – June 2014. Expenditures to be recovered are approximately \$10.34 million. 15 **Schedule 3 - Remediation Adjustment Factor** 16 Schedule 3 provides the calculation of the pre-tax and after-tax RA Factor. The 17 amount to be recovered is the sum of the following: 18 (1) The Remediation Year amortizations from July 2008 - June 2014 of 19 20 approximately \$10.34 million, per Schedule 2; plus 21 (2) The reconciliation amount comprised of the total to be recovered during the period October 2013 - September 2014 per Exhibit A, Schedule 3 of the 22 Company's July 23, 2013 filing in Docket No. GR13070674 (approximately 23 \$18.7 million), which was approved by Board Order dated July 23, 2014 less 24 actual and estimate recoveries through September 2014 of approximately \$20.14 25 26 million, which results in a projected net over-recovery of approximately \$1.48

million as of September 30, 2014; plus

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- (3) The actual and estimated interest for Remediation Year 2014 of approximately \$0.602 million.
  - (4) The final item included in the MGP cost on Exhibit A, Schedule 3 is a \$1.0 million credit related to \$3 million in insurance proceeds received as a result of litigation at the Long Branch MGP Site. Consistent with prior insurance proceeds being returned through the RAC, the proceeds are being amortized over a 3-year period (\$1.0 million for the remediation period) as a credit to the MGP program expenditures for Remediation Year 2014.

The resulting net total amount of \$8.46 million to be recovered is then divided by the projected therm sales of natural gas for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2015 which yields a pre-tax RA factor of \$0.0125 per therm (\$0.0134 per therm after-tax). As a result of the above calculations shown on Exhibit A, Schedule 3, NJNG is proposing to decrease the current after-tax RA Factor of \$0.0300 per therm to \$0.0134 per therm.

## **Schedule 4 – Prior Year Reconciliation**

Schedule 4 details the Company's actual and estimated recovery of \$20.14 million for the fiscal year ended September 2014, which amount is carried over to and utilized in Exhibit A, Schedule 3, Line 2.

#### **Schedule 5 - Annual Cap Calculation**

Schedule 5 calculates the limitation on the annual recovery of NJNG's remediation costs. The Company's total annual amortization to be collected from customers during a prospective Recovery Year may not exceed 5 percent of the Company's total firm gas revenues collected from customers during the preceding Remediation Year. Schedule 5 shows that the total amount of approximately \$8.46 million projected to be recovered is less than the five percent revenue cap of approximately \$33.2 million based on the \$663.6 million in firm gas revenues for Remediation Year 2014.

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## Schedule 6 – Projected Remediation Expenses

2 Schedule 6 provides the projected gross remediation expenses for fiscal year 2015 of \$13.4 million.

#### **Schedule 7 – Remediation Interest Calculation**

Schedule 7 calculates interest for the period beginning October 2013 and ending September 2014 on the Company's monthly average balance of deferred remediation costs using the methodology approved by the Board in Docket No. GR09010076, dated April 28, 2010. The October 31, 2013 deferred balance includes interest that has been rolled-in from Remediation Year 2013. The column on Schedule 7 labeled "Net of Tax" reflects the offset of deferred taxes based on the above-mentioned Board approved methodology. Effective September 1, 2013 the SBC annual interest rate for NJNG is 2.24 percent plus 60 basis points or 2.84 percent. Schedule 7 will be updated with actual information through September 30, 2014 when the financial information is available.

# Q. WHAT IS THE PROPOSED AFTER-TAX RA FACTOR FOR THIS FILING?

As shown on Exhibit A, Schedule 3, the Company is proposing to decrease the current after-tax RA Factor from \$0.0300 per therm to \$0.0134 per therm, effective October 1, 2014 or as of the date of a Board Order in this Proceeding.

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## III. OTHER SBC COMPONENTS

# Q. PLEASE EXPLAIN NJNG'S NEW JERSEY CLEAN ENERGY PROGRAM FUNDING OBLIGATION.

A. In BPU Order, Docket No. EX04040276, dated December 22, 2004, rather than establish a uniform statewide recovery rate; the BPU established each utility's level of expenditures for each calendar year through 2008. In August 2008, the BPU released an Order updating NJNG's funding obligation for the period January 2009 through December 2012 as follows (in millions): \$10.269, \$11.275 \$13.391, and \$15.9, respectively. The Company must provide this level of NJCEP funding to the State Treasurer regardless of actual customer usage. Any shortfall

or excess in recovery is carried in the Company's NJCEP deferred account balance to be included in the future year's rate calculations. In November 2012, the BPU approved the NJCEP funding obligation for NJNG at \$9.8 million for the period January 2013 through June 2013. On June 21, 2013, the BPU approved a funding obligation of \$15.6 million for NJNG for July 2013 through June 2014 and on June 30, 2014, the BPU approved \$15.6 million through September 2015. In this filing, I have estimated the NJCEP recovery though September 2015 and included the BPU mandated NJCEP contributions through September 2015. This will allow NJNG to match the recoveries with the mandated NJCEP contributions through September 2015, representing the time period the proposed SBC rate will be in effect, pending an October 1, 2014 approval and Board Order in this proceeding. Exhibit B will be updated accordingly as more NJCEP funding information is released by the BPU.

# Q. WHAT IS THE PROPOSED AFTER-TAX NJCEP FACTOR FOR THIS FILING?

A. The Company proposes to decrease its current after-tax NJCEP Factor from \$0.0422 per therm to \$0.0257 per therm, which reflects the recovery of NJNG's underrecovered NJCEP balance as of July 31, 2014, and recovers the NJCEP mandated funding levels through September 2015. Supporting documentation for this factor is presented in Exhibit B.

# Q. WHAT IS THE AFTER-TAX USF FACTOR THAT IS INCLUDED IN THIS SBC FILING?

A. The after-tax USF factor included is this SBC filing is \$0.0126 per therm. This statewide USF factor was approved in Board Order Docket No. ER13060534, dated, September 18, 2013. On June 20, 2014, NJNG filed a letter petition with the BPU requesting an increase to the statewide USF factor from \$0.0126 to \$0.0170, effective October 1, 2014. As a result of the most recent USF filing, NJNG will maintain the current USF factor in its SBC until the BPU approves the current USF petition. No other changes to the USF Factor are being requested by the Company at this time. The USF and SBC information will be updated accordingly in this proceeding when the BPU approves a new USF Factor.

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## IV. OVERALL PROPOSED PRICE CHANGES

- Q. WHAT IS THE PROPOSED AFTER-TAX SBC BILLING FACTOR FOR THIS SBC FILING AND THE IMPACT ON CUSTOMERS?
- The Company is proposing to: decrease its current after-tax RA rate from \$0.0300 to \$0.0134 per therm and to decrease its after-tax NJCEP rate from \$0.0422 to \$0.0257 per therm. This results in a proposed overall SBC after-tax rate of \$0.0517<sup>1</sup> per therm, effective October 1, 2014 or as of the date of a Board Order in this Proceeding.
- 10 Q. DOES THIS CONCLUDE YOUR TESTIMONY?
- 11 A. Yes.

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> The total SBC Factor includes the USF Factor of \$0.0126, approved by the BPU in Docket No. ER13060534, dated September 18, 2013.

NEW JERSEY NATURAL GAS COMPANY SOCIETAL BENEFITS CHARGE (SBC) REMEDIATION ADJUSTMENT RIDER REMEDIATION YEAR 2014 BPU DOCKET NO. GR1409

			SUMIN	SUMMARY OF SITE EXPENSES July 2013 - June 2014	ENSES 4			
L N						TOTAL REMEDIATION	THIRD	RECOVERY
O	SITE	CONSULTING	REMEDIATION	LEGAL	OTHER	EXPENSES	EXPENSES	COST
~	Atl. Highlands	\$711,774.00	\$395,724.40	\$102,407.72	(\$106,954.38)	1,102,951.74	\$0.00	\$1,102,951.74
2	Berkeley	\$2,674.23	\$13,184.39	\$6,300.20	\$361.78	\$22,520.60	\$0.00	\$22,520.60
က	Long Branch	\$739,685.11	\$864,049.46	\$42,619.17	\$61,053.27	\$1,707,407.01	\$0.00	\$1,707,407.01
4	Manchester	\$54,896.88	\$26,007.80	\$6,300.20	\$402.20	\$87,607.08	\$0.00	\$87,607.08
2	Toms River	\$722,061.61	\$482,734.07	\$51,271.49	\$28,455.56	\$1,284,522.73	\$0.00	\$1,284,522.73
	TOTALS	\$2,231,091.83	\$1,781,700.12	\$208,898.78	(\$16,681.57)	\$4,205,009.16	\$0.00	\$4,205,009.16

NEW JERSEY NATURAL GAS COMPANY SOCIETAL BENEFITS CHARGE (SBC) REMEDIATION ADJUSTMENT RIDER REMEDIATION YEAR 2014 BPU DOCKET NO. GR1409

# AMORTIZATION OF 6/30/14 RECOVERABLE COSTS

Line	YE 6/30/08	YE 6/30/09	YE 6/30/10	YE 6/30/11	YE 6/30/12	YE 6/30/13	YE 6/30/14	TOTAL
1 RECOVERABLE COSTS	\$18,036,915	\$17,306,937	\$4,177,316	\$13,015,017	\$10,405,054	\$5,236,008	\$4,205,009	\$72,382,256
2 LESS RECOVERED COSTS Y/E 9/30/08	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	\$0
3 LESS RECOVERED COSTS Y/E 9/30/09	(2,576,702)	0	0	0	0	0	0	(\$2,576,702)
4 LESS RECOVERED COSTS Y/E 9/30/10	(2,576,702)	(2,472,420)	0	0	0	0	0	(\$5,049,122)
5 LESS RECOVERED COSTS Y/E 9/30/11	(2,576,702)	(2,472,420)	(596,759)	0	0	0	0	(\$5,645,881)
6 LESS RECOVERED COSTS Y/E 9/30/12	(2,576,702)	(2,472,420)	(596,759)	(1,859,288)	0	0	0	(\$7,505,169)
7 LESS RECOVERED COSTS Y/E 9/30/13	(2,576,702)	(2,472,420)	(596,759)	(1,859,288)	(1,486,436)	0	0	(\$8,991,606)
8 LESS RECOVERED COSTS Y/E 9/30/14	(2,576,702)	(2,472,420)	(596,759)	(1,859,288)	(1,486,436)	(748,001)	0	(\$9,739,607)
9 RECOVERABLE COSTS (L9)	\$2,576,702	\$4,944,839	\$1,790,278	\$7,437,153	\$7,432,181	\$4,488,007	\$4,205,009	\$32,874,169
10 2008 REMEDIATION YEAR AMORTIZATION L9/1 1 2009 REMEDIATION YEAR AMORTIZATION L9/2 2010 REMEDIATION YEAR AMORTIZATION L9/3 2011 REMEDIATION YEAR AMORTIZATION L9/5 15 2013 REMEDIATION YEAR AMORTIZATION L9/6 16 2014 REMEDIATION YEAR AMORTIZATION L9/6	2,576,702	2,472,420	596,759	1,859,288	1,486,436	748,001	600,716	2,576,702 2,472,420 596,759 1,859,288 1,486,436 748,001 600,716
18 AMORT. RECOVER. COST! (L10L16)	\$2,576,702	\$2,472,420	\$596,759	\$1,859,288	\$1,486,436	\$748,001	\$600,716	\$10,340,322

## NEW JERSEY NATURAL GAS COMPANY SOCIETAL BENEFITS CHARGE (SBC) REMEDIATION ADJUSTMENT RIDER REMEDIATION YEARS 2014 BPU DOCKET NO. GR1409

## REMEDIATION ADJUSTMENT FACTOR

Line 1	AMORTIZATION (Per Schedule 2)			\$10,340,322		
	Total Amortization			\$10,340,322	\$10,340,322	а
2	PRIOR YEARS' RECONCILIATION					
	Total to be Recovered 10/13-9/14		\$18,663,072			
	Projected Recovery through Sept. 30, 2014 (I	Per Schedule 4) (1)	\$20,144,158	_		
	Projected Over-recovery		(\$1,481,086)		(\$1,481,086)	b
3	INTEREST CALCULATION (Per Schedule 7)					
	Interest 10/13-9/14 (10 months actual, 2 mon	ths estimate)			602,387	С
4	NET ACCUMULATED DEFFERED 3RD PTY R	ECOVERABLE COSTS		(2)	(1,000,000)	d
5	TOTAL TO BE RECOVERED				\$8,461,623	a+b+c+d
6	THERM SALE PROJECTION (October 1, 2014	1 - September 30, 2015)				
7 8 9 10	FIRM SALES FIRM TRANSPORTATION INTERRUPTIBLE TRANSPORTATION TOTAL	485,364,583 164,500,329 29,730,210 679,595,122				
	PRE-TAX RA FACTOR PER THERM (L5/L13) AFTER-TAX RA FACTOR PER THERM				\$0.0125 \$0.0134	

Decrease in current rate

(\$0.0166)

## NOTES:

- (1) Ten months actual, 2 months estimate
- (2) Proceeds from Insurance Claim to be credited over 3 years

## Exhibit A Schedule 4

## NEW JERSEY NATURAL GAS COMPANY SOCIETAL BENEFITS CHARGE (SBC) REMEDIATION ADJUSTMENT RIDER REMEDIATION YEAR 2014 BPU DOCKET NO. GR1409

## PRIOR YEAR RECONCILIATION

PRE-TAX RA REVENUE FACTOR - OCT 2013 - SEPT 2014	\$ 0.0280	
ACTUAL THERM SALES OCT 2013 - JULY 2014		
FIRM SALES FIRM TRANSPORTATION INTERRUPTIBLE TRANSPORTATION TOTAL	491,070,000 166,725,000 23,677,000 681,472,000	\$ 19,081,216
ESTIMATED THERM SALES AUGUST - SEPTEMBER 2014		
FIRM SALES FIRM TRANSPORTATION INTERRUPTIBLE TRANSPORTATION TOTAL	22,863,246 10,243,104 4,855,865 37,962,215	\$ 1,062,942
PROJECTED ACTUAL RECOVERY 10/13-9/14		\$ 20,144,158

## Exhibit A Schedule 4

## NEW JERSEY NATURAL GAS COMPANY SOCIETAL BENEFITS CHARGE (SBC) REMEDIATION ADJUSTMENT RIDER REMEDIATION YEAR 2014 BPU DOCKET NO. GR1409

## PRIOR YEAR RECONCILIATION

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PROJECTED ACTUAL RECOVERY 10/13-9/14		\$ 20,144,158

## NEW JERSEY NATURAL GAS COMPANY SOCIETAL BENEFITS CHARGE (SBC) REMEDIATION ADJUSMENT RIDER REMEDIATION YEAR 2014 BPU DOCKET NO. GR1409

## **ANNUAL CAP CALCULATION**

FIRM GAS REVENUES-REMEDIATION YEAR 2014 \$ 663,635,025 \* 5% CAP \$33,181,751

TOTAL TO BE RECOVERED IN 2015 \$8,461,623

<sup>\*</sup> Revenues based on Remediation Year July 1, 2013 - June, 30, 2014

## NEW JERSEY NATURAL GAS COMPANY SOCIETAL BENEFITS CHARGE (SBC) REMEDIATION ADJUSMENT RIDER REMEDIATION YEAR 2014 BPU DOCKET NO. GR1409

## PROJECTED REMEDIATION EXPENDITURES

MGP Site Location	Projected Gross Fiscal 2015 Remediation Expenditures
Atlantic Highlands	\$2,000,000
Berkeley	\$20,000
Long Branch	\$5,000,000
Manchester	\$80,000
Toms River	\$6,000,000
Insurance Litigation	\$300,000
Total	\$13,400,000

## NEW JERSEY NATURAL GAS COMPANY SOCIETAL BENEFITS CHARGE (SBC) REMEDIATION ADJUSMENT RIDER REMEDIATION YEAR 2014 BPU DOCKET NO. GR1409

## REMEDIATION INTEREST CALCULATION

	Deferred				Average	Monthly	Λ	<i>Monthly</i>	
Month-Year	Balance	De	eferred Taxes	Net of Tax	Balance	Rate (1)	Int	erest (2)	
10/31/2013 \$	46,240,847	\$	(18,889,386)	\$ 27,351,461	\$ 27,413,590	0.237%	\$	64,879	
11/30/2013	44,353,803	\$	(18,118,529)	26,235,274	26,793,368	0.237%		63,411	
12/31/2013	41,542,278	\$	(16,970,021)	24,572,257	25,403,766	0.237%		60,122	
1/31/2014	37,987,383	\$	(15,517,846)	22,469,537	23,520,897	0.237%		55,666	
2/28/2014	34,968,358	\$	(14,284,574)	20,683,784	21,576,660	0.237%		51,065	
3/31/2014	32,318,543	\$	(13,202,125)	19,116,418	19,900,101	0.237%		47,097	
4/30/2014	31,290,579	\$	(12,782,201)	18,508,378	18,812,398	0.237%		44,523	
5/31/2014	30,925,835	\$	(12,633,204)	18,292,631	18,400,505	0.237%		43,548	
6/30/2014	30,809,372	\$	(12,585,628)	18,223,744	18,258,188	0.237%		43,211	
7/31/2014	30,718,263	\$	(12,548,411)	18,169,852	18,196,798	0.237%		43,002	
8/31/2014	30,592,790	\$	(12,497,155)	18,095,635	18,132,744	0.237%		42,931	
9/30/2014	30,742,790	\$	(12,558,430)	18,184,360	18,139,997	0.221%		42,931	es
Total						•	\$	602,387	

<sup>(1)</sup> Monthly rate is 1/12 of the Seven-Year Constant Maturity Treasury rate adjusted each August 31.

The September 2014 Deferred Balance is an estimate and will be updated with the September actual.

<sup>(2)</sup> Monthly interest is accumulated and added to the balance at the beginning of October.

## NEW JERSEY NATURAL GAS COMPANY SOCIETAL BENEFITS CHARGE (SBC) NEW JERSEY CLEAN ENERGY ADJUSTMENT CLAUSE BPU. DOCKET NO. GR1409

## **NEW JERSEY CLEAN ENERGY ADJUSTMENT CLAUSE CALCULATION**

		Estimated Balance (\$ 000)
NJ Clean Energy Under	recovery Balance @ 7/31/14	\$1,318
Recovery for August 201	14 through September 2014	(\$1,496)
Board Approved Amoun	ts for August 2014 through September 2014 <sup>1</sup>	\$879
Board Approved Amoun	ts for Oct 2014 through September 2015 <sup>1</sup>	\$15,576
Estimated Amount to b	pe Recovered	\$16,278
Firm Sales Firm Transportation Interruptible	Projected 10/14-9/15 Sales 485,365 164,500 29,730	
Total	679,595	679,595
9.	y Recovery Rate \$ per Therm as Calculated gy Recovery Rate \$ per Therm as Calculated	\$0.0240 \$0.0257
Current Pre-tax NJ Clea Current After-tax NJ Clea	\$0.0394 \$0.0422	
	lean Energy Recovery Rate \$ per Therm Increase Clean Energy Recovery Rate \$ per Therm Increase	(\$0.0154) (\$0.0165)

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Per 6/30/14 Order in BPU Docket No. EO11050324V. Assumes approved contributions through June 2015 and estimates for July 2015 through September 2015 period based on approved amounts from prior period (July 2014 through September 2014).

#### NEW JERSEY NATURAL GAS COMPANY

## DIRECT TESTIMONY OF JOHN RASPA DIRECTOR OF ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES

1 Q. PLEASE STATE YOUR NAME, CURR	RENT POSITION AND BUSINESS
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- 2 ADDRESS?
- 3 A. My name is John Raspa. I am the Director Environmental Services ("ES") for
- 4 New Jersey Natural Gas Company ("NJNG" or the "Company"). My business
- 5 address is 1415 Wyckoff Road, Wall, New Jersey 07719.

## 6 Q. PLEASE DESCRIBE YOUR EDUCATION AND BUSINESS

7 **EXPERIENCE.** 

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8 A. I earned a bachelor's degree in Chemical and Biological sciences from Rutgers 9 University in 1976 and completed advanced postgraduate education in 10 Environmental and Sanitary Engineering from Rutgers University, Cook College 11 of Sciences. I maintain a professional certification in the field of Hazardous 12 Materials Management. I am also skilled in Risk Management and Environmental 13 Management Systems through formal training and practical applications in my 14 professional career and have more than 30 years experience in the environmental field. I have held numerous positions and responsibilities in the area of 15 16 environmental management that have included strategy, compliance, risk 17 management and business acquisition. From 1976 to 1988, I worked in the public 18 sector for various health and environmental agencies. Between 1989 and 2000, I 19 was employed by a Fortune 500 specialty chemical manufacturer, during which 20 period my responsibilities progressively included regional management (New 21 Jersey), divisional management (national) and eventually global leadership for 22 approximately 30 manufacturing locations. My duties during that time also 23 included direct responsibility for the clean-up of major properties under various 24 federal and state regulatory programs, including some located in New Jersey. In

2001, I joined NJNG as the Director – Environmental, Health & Safety Services.

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# 1 Q. WHAT ARE YOUR PRIMARY DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES AS 2 NJNG'S DIRECTOR OF ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES?

As the Director - ES for NJNG, I have overall responsibility for creating a corporate vision and environmental strategy, through strategic planning, to address current and emerging trends affecting environmental issues, and to promote ES's performance by establishing and executing the Company's policy, key initiatives and opportunities. These activities support NJNG's overall corporate commitment to environmental responsibility. I am also responsible for developing and managing the department's operating budget in connection with ongoing activities at each of the Company's former manufactured gas plant ("MGP") sites which NJNG is responsible for remediating under the direction of the New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection ("NJDEP"). In addition, I maintain the oversight of various day-to-day activities involving decision making on key departmental matters, including the MGP program. My duties and responsibilities also include the following: ensuring that key safety, health and environmental liabilities and exposures are identified and addressed on a timely and effective basis through internal processes and procedures; developing and monitoring the MGP program's effectiveness; reporting key performance indicators to management; and developing and maintaining effective working relationships with federal, state and local stakeholders, public agencies and organizations whose collective responsibilities encompass environmental, health and safety issues. Those entities include, but are not limited to, municipal governments, community groups, the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, the NJDEP, and the U.S. Occupational Safety and Health Administration.

## 25 Q. HAVE YOU TESTIFIED PREVIOUSLY IN REGULATORY 26 PROCEEDINGS?

Yes. I have submitted testimony on behalf of the Company in its last eight Societal Benefits Charge ("SBC") proceedings on the Remediation Adjustment ("RA") Factor, Docket Nos. GR04121565, GR05100846, GR06100746, GR08020106, GR09010076, GR10060433, GR12020123 and GR13070674.

# 1 Q. WHAT IS THE PURPOSE OF YOUR TESTIMONY IN THIS 2 PROCEEDING?

The purpose of this testimony is to: (1) provide a general overview of the Company's on-going MGP remediation program; (2) identify and describe the general nature and categories of expenses incurred by the Company during the period of July 1, 2013 through June 30, 2014 ("Remediation Year 2014"; (3) provide a brief history of the Company's former MGP sites, and (4) identify and report on key developments relating to ongoing remediation activities at those sites

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## THE COMPANY'S MGP REMEDIATION PROGRAM

## Q. PLEASE EXPLAIN THE NJDEP'S ROLE IN MGP SITE REMEDIATION.

The remediation of the Company's MGP sites is subject to strict oversight by the NJDEP. NJNG must comply with relevant rules and regulations issued by that agency, including specific procedures and timetables within Administrative Consent Orders ("ACOs") issued for each of the Company's MGP sites. The ACOs also delineate the responsibilities of all parties regarding site remediation. As a result of the ACOs, all remedial action work plans for the Company's MGP sites must be submitted to and approved by the NJDEP. As of May 2012, dramatic changes became effective for the process in which the NJDEP will address future remediation oversight responsibilities. The Site Remediation Reform Act ("SRRA"), N.J.S.A. 58:10C-1 et seq. establishes a licensing program for environmental consultants and contractors to be certified by the NJDEP as Licensed Site Remediation Professionals ("LSRPs") overseen by a State licensing board. The LSRPs essentially replace some of the basic functions of the NJDEP. For example, in a wide variety of environmental settings and situations, LSRPs are authorized to sign and certify reports through the site investigation and cleanup process. The NJDEP is no longer required to review and approve investigation and cleanup plans in advance, or to issue "No Further Action" letters and Covenants Not to Sue at the conclusion of cleanups. LSRPs determine the correctness and conclusion of investigations and cleanups, and issue the final sign-off document known as a "Response Action Outcome" ("RAO"). LSRPs

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have wide-ranging responsibilities, including permit revocation and other penalties and enforcement actions. Following an LSRP's issuance of a RAO, the NJDEP has three years to audit the LSRP's work, though the facts and circumstances for the NJDEP to invalidate an RAO are relatively narrow.

# 5 Q. PLEASE DESCRIBE THE COMPANY'S MGP REMEDIATION 6 STRATEGY AND YOUR SPECIFIC ROLE IN EFFECTIVELY 7 IMPLEMENTING THAT STRATEGY.

As a general matter, the Company's remediation strategy continues to include the identification, development and implementation of both conventional and innovative engineering and business solutions that enable NJNG to costeffectively investigate, remediate and manage the risk of the long-term environmental liabilities associated with the Company's former MGP properties. NJNG's focus is on ensuring the protection of human health and the environment. I am directly responsible for all aspects of the Company's MGP remediation program, including the responsibility to identify and obtain the necessary resources to carry out the program. I am also responsible for ensuring adherence to NJDEP requirements. Additionally, I am charged with direct oversight and responsibility for monitoring all costs the Company incurs in connection with implementing the MGP program, including, but not limited to, those costs associated with investigations, testing, land acquisition, remediation and/or other liabilities specifically relating to the Company's former MGP sites, disposal sites, or sites to which MGP material may have migrated as a result of the operation or decommissioning of the Company's former MGP facilities ("Remediation Costs"). More detail on Remediation Costs is provided later in my testimony. As part of its MGP program, the Company is committed to ensuring that its MGPrelated expenditures are limited to those that the Company believes are reasonable and necessary to implement the MGP program for the work plans authorized by the NJDEP. As a result, the Company consistently seeks to identify and separate MGP related soil/sediment impacts from non-site related contamination, such as vehicle exhaust, industrial air emissions, storm water runoff and residential furnaces, to avoid incurring any costs for the extensive remediation of non-MGP impacts.

# THE GENERAL NATURE AND CATEGORIES OF REMEDIATION COSTS

- Q. PLEASE DESCRIBE THE NATURE AND CATEGORIES OF THE
  REMEDIATION COSTS THE COMPANY INCURRED DURING
  REMEDIATION YEAR 2014 IN CONNECTION WITH IMPLEMENTING
  AND MANAGING ITS MGP PROGRAM.
- 7 A. The costs the Company incurred during Remediation Year 2014 to implement and 8 manage its MGP program include costs for the following: outside consulting and 9 engineering services; outside legal services; community outreach; analytical 10 laboratory work; construction services (including construction management); 11 health and safety activities; air monitoring and soil sampling; a variety of 12 ancillary support services; and incremental internal labor directly associated with 13 MGP activities. Third-party services provided to the Company in connection with 14 MGP-related activities (such as project management and engineering support 15 services, and contractors who provide physical remediation services) are 16 competitively bid through NJNG's contractor procurement procedures.

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# BACKGROUND AND CURRENT STATUS OF REMEDIATION EFFORTS AT NJNG'S MGP SITES

# Q. PLEASE PROVIDE A BRIEF BACKGROUND OF THE ATLANTIC HIGHLANDS SITE.

22 A. The Atlantic Highlands site was first occupied by the Atlantic Highlands Gas 23 Company ("AHGC") in 1910. In 1913, AHGC was merged with and consolidated 24 into Standard Gas Company ("SGC"), which subsequently merged with Freehold 25 Gas Light Company in 1916. In the early 1920s, SGC was purchased and 26 reorganized into a new entity known as County Gas Company ("CGC"). In 1952, 27 CGC became New Jersey Natural Gas. The Atlantic Highlands site operated as a 28 carbureted water gas manufacturing facility from 1910 until 1949, when 29 manufacturing operations were discontinued. Coal and coke were used as feedstock to produce the carbureted water gas. Demolition activities at this site 30 31 were completed around 1981. NJNG currently uses the Atlantic Highlands site as 32 a Division Service Center.

1	Q.	PLEASE SUMMARIZE THE KEY EVENTS THAT OCCURRED DURIN							
2		REMEDIATION	YEAR	2014	IN	CONNECTION	WITH	MGP	
3		REMEDIATION A	CTIVIT	ES AT	THE.	ATLANTIC HIGH	LANDS S	SITE.	

- 4 A. Key activities undertaken by the Company at the Atlantic Highlands site during 5 this time period included continued investigation, data evaluation, and document 6 preparation connected with efforts for remediation work to commence at the 7 AOC-1, AOC-1F, AOC-2, AOC-8A, AOC-8B, AOC-8C, AOC-8D, AOC-8E, and 8 AOC-8F (south) properties. The Company is in the process of performing data 9 evaluation and document preparation in order to justify to the site LSRP that the 10 Company is not responsible for identified soil impact north of Center Avenue, 11 including the AOC-8F (north), AOC-8G, AOC-8H, and AOC-8I properties
- 12 Q. WHAT IS THE STATUS OF THE REMEDIATION WORK UNDERWAY
  13 AT THE ATLANTIC HIGHLANDS SITE?
- 14 **A.** Remediation work currently underway includes:
- A Remedial Investigation Work Plan is being prepared for the AOC-1F
- 16 (Foodtown) property to further define the extent of free and residual product at
- the site.
- A Remedial Action Report (RAR) is being finalized for the AOC-4
- 19 (Sodon/Andersen) property.
- A Remedial Investigation Report (RIR) for numerous third party properties
- 21 located north of West Highland Avenue, including a segment Many Mind Creek
- 22 (AOC-8), is currently under review by the LSRP.
- 23 The approved groundwater treatment system continues to operate successfully.
- Q. WHAT ARE THE NEXT STEPS REGARDING FUTURE REMEDIATION
  AT THE ATLANTIC HIGHLANDS SITE?
- A. The Company expects to complete the final cap construction work on the AOC-1 and AOC-2 properties during the upcoming remediation year ending June 2015.

  In addition, the Company will continue to explore alternatives to address the remaining free and residual product impacts located at AOC-1 and several off-site properties.

# Q. PLEASE PROVIDE A BRIEF BACKGROUND OF THE LONG BRANCH SITE.

3 A. The Long Branch site first operated as a gas manufacturing facility for the Long 4 Branch Gas and Light Company ("LBGLC") from approximately 1860-1870. In 5 1895, LBGLC merged into Consolidated Gas Companies. The site was purchased 6 and operated by Jersey Central Power & Light ("JCP&L") from 1925 until 1952 7 and was included in the sale of all JCP&L gas operations to NJNG in 1952. 8 Although exact information is not available, it is likely that either carbureted 9 water or oil gas was manufactured at this site. All manufacturing operations 10 ceased in 1961. A portion of the former site was leased to the City of Long 11 Branch from 1966 until 1976 for use as a park. In 1976, NJNG donated the 12 property to the City of Long Branch. Demolition of plant-related structures was 13 completed around 1983. At that time, another portion of the site was sold to 14 private parties. The demolition of several plant structures on that portion of the 15 site was completed in 1991.

# 16 Q. PLEASE SUMMARIZE THE KEY EVENTS THAT OCCURRED DURING 17 REMEDIATION YEAR 2014 IN CONNECTION WITH MGP 18 REMEDIATION ACTIVITIES AT THE LONG BRANCH SITE.

- 19 **A.** Key activities undertaken by the Company at the Long Branch MGP site during this time period include:
  - Indoor air investigation and additional site investigation work in regards to vapor intrusion.
  - Continued permitting activities, preliminary site preparation work, and obtaining regulatory approvals addressing the remaining off-site property MGP impacts including the replacement of the Seaview Avenue Bridge, as required by the NJDEP.
  - Continuation of negotiations with private property owners for property access to conduct remedial activities.
  - The Company completed the installation of additional monitoring wells as required by the LSRP.

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# 1 Q. WHAT IS THE STATUS OF THE REMEDIATION WORK UNDERWAY 2 AT THE LONG BRANCH SITE?

- 3 **A.** The next step in the remediation process is the execution of the remediation plan and replacement of the Seaview Avenue Bridge commencing in Remediation Year 2015.
- Q. PLEASE PROVIDE A BRIEF BACKGROUND AND SUMMARIZE THE
   KEY EVENTS THAT OCCURRED DURING REMEDIATION YEAR 2014
   IN CONNECTION WITH MGP REMEDIATION ACTIVITIES AT THE
   MANCHESTER SITE.
- 10 A. As a result of the dismantling of the Company's Long Branch and Atlantic 11 Highlands plants in the mid 1970s, materials were delivered to an asphalt 12 recycling facility identified as South Brunswick Asphalt ("SBA"). SBA operated 13 in three locations, including Berkeley Township, Manchester Township and 14 Barnegat Township. NJNG has completed investigation and remediation of soil 15 impacts at the Manchester location and is currently assessing groundwater 16 conditions for the presence of potential coal tar residuals. It is anticipated that 17 additional remediation measures will be required to address residual product in 18 the groundwater. The Company has engaged an LSRP to perform all future 19 oversight responsibilities in accordance with the SRRA at the Manchester MGP 20 site.

# Q. WHAT IS THE STATUS OF THE REMEDIATION WORK UNDERWAY AT THE MANCHESTER SITE?

23 A. The Company has completed soil remediation with no further actions required. 24 The remaining effort centers on groundwater contamination and the actions that 25 are required by the regulations to meet water quality standards. The NJDEP and 26 the Licensed Site Remediation Professional (LSRP) requested an investigation to 27 complete groundwater delineation. The Company will continue to investigate and 28 monitor the ground-water in and around the area of concern affected by MGP 29 impacts. If, during the investigative and monitoring phase, we can attain natural 30 attenuation that meets the standards, then there will be no further actions required 31 on our part.

# Q. PLEASE PROVIDE A BRIEF BACKGROUND OF THE TOMS RIVER SITE.

- 3 A. The Toms River site was operated as a coal gas plant from approximately 1900 to 4 1911 by the Toms River and Island Heights Electric and Power Company. The 5 site was sold to the Ocean County Gas Company in 1911 and operated by them 6 until 1928 when the site was purchased by JCP&L. Gas manufacturing operations 7 ceased in 1950. Although exact information is not available, it is likely that either 8 carbureted water or oil gas was manufactured at the Toms River site. This site 9 was included in the sale of all JCP&L gas operations to NJNG in 1952. 10 Demolition activities at this site were completed around 1975. From 1952 until 11 1989, NJNG used this site as a Division Service Center but ceased operations 12 there in 1989 when the Company relocated the Division Offices. This cessation of operations triggered the Environmental Cleanup Responsibility Act ("ECRA"), 13 14 requiring the submittal of an Initial Notice to the NJDEP.
- 15 Q. PLEASE SUMMARIZE THE KEY EVENTS THAT OCCURRED DURING
  16 REMEDIATION YEAR 2014 IN CONNECTION WITH MGP
  17 REMEDIATION ACTIVITIES AT THE TOMS RIVER SITE.
- 18 **A.** The Company completed pre-design investigation work to locate relic 19 underground MGP and natural gas pipeline structures in connection with efforts 20 to implement the selected in-situ stabilization ("ISS") remedy on the AOC-1 21 property.
- The Company initiated the prerequisite work plan and bid document preparation for the upcoming ISS remediation work on the AOC-1 property.
- The Company initiated the pilot test for the proposed off-site in-situ chemical oxidation ("ISCO") remediation technology. ISCO remediation is proposed for product impacts on the MUA, NJDOT, and former Conrail properties.
- The Company performed an analysis for the flow of groundwater pertaining to a water system.

# Q. WHAT ARE THE NEXT STEPS REGARDING FUTURE REMEDIATION AT THE TOMS RIVER SITE?

31 **A**. The Company expects to initiate the ISS remediation on the AOC-1 property and complete the ISCO pilot test during fiscal year 2015. In addition, the Company

- will continue efforts (e.g., discussions and negotiations) to obtain the required
- 2 consent from off-site property owners to perform a restricted-use remedy on their
- 3 respective properties.
- 4 Q. PLEASE SUMMARIZE THE KEY EVENTS THAT OCCURRED DURING
- 5 REMEDIATION YEAR 2014 IN CONNECTION WITH MGP
- 6 REMEDIATION ACTIVITIES AT THE BERKELEY SITE.
- 7 A. The Berkeley MGP site has been identified as an additional MGP location as a
- 8 result of coal tar material disposal from the Long Branch and Atlantic Highlands
- 9 MGP facilities in the late 1970's and 1980's, after the site was sold to South
- 10 Brunswick Asphalt.
- 11 Q. WHAT IS THE STATUS OF THE REMEDIATION WORK UNDERWAY
- 12 **AT THE BERKELEY MGP SITE?**
- 13 **A.** There are no current ongoing activities at the Berkeley property.
- The Company anticipates a cooperative agreement with the property owner to
- address MGP impacts sometime in the future.
- 16 Q. WHAT ARE NATURAL RESOURCE DAMAGES?
- 17 A. The term Natural Resource Damages ("NRD") refers to claims that arise from
- alleged releases of hazardous substances that have resulted in injuries to natural
- resources (such as loss or impairment of ecological function) or the deprivation of
- 20 natural resource services (such as water supply, recreation or ecological services)
- 21 with respect to resources owned by, managed by, or otherwise within the
- trusteeship or co-trusteeship of the State of New Jersey.
- 23 Q. HAVE ANY FORMAL NRD CLAIMS BEEN MADE OR FILED AGAINST
- 24 THE COMPANY?
- 25 A. No. NJDEP has not filed any formal NRD claims against the Company to date.
- Separately, an Environmental Justice ("EJ") petition filed on behalf of the
- 27 Concerned Citizens Coalition in Long Branch has included NRD claims. The EJ
- petition is still active and being enforced by the NJDEP. The NJDEP has stated
- 29 that they will explore Long Branch-related NRD claims upon the completion of
- remediation activities in Long Branch. NJNG anticipates that NRD claims may
- also be filed for each of its MGP sites since there are potential groundwater

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- impacts at each location. NJNG cannot predict whether the NJDEP will impose additional or modified remediation-related requirements in the future. Subject to that caveat, NJNG is not currently aware of any other material events relating to NJDEP directives, or otherwise, which could have an impact on the Company's NRD liability. As a result of prior settlement discussions with BPU Staff and Rate Counsel, no NRD expenses have been included for recovery in this filing.
- 7 Q. PLEASE IDENTIFY MEMBERSHIP FEES PAID TO THE CHEMISTRY
  8 COUNCIL OF NEW JERSEY THAT ARE ESSENTIAL TO THE
  9 REGULATORY PROCESS.
- 10 A. The Chemistry Council of New Jersey provides administrative services in 11 managing the activities of The Site Remediation Industry Network of New Jersey 12 ("SRIN"). SRIN is a coalition of more than twenty (20) companies and business 13 associations that address issues regarding the Site Remediation Program of the 14 NJDEP. The SRIN members are involved in the stakeholder process of the 15 NJDEP's Administrative Requirements for the Remediation of Contaminated 16 Sites ("AARCS"), the Technical Requirements for Site Remediation ("Tech 17 Regs") and the Industrial Site Recovery Act ("ISRA")Rules. All of these 18 regulations have direct impacts to the MGP remediation activities in New Jersey.

# Q. PLEASE IDENTIFY THE BENEFITS TO RATEPAYERS ASSOCIATED WITH SERVICES PROVIDED BY ISH, INC.

- 21 **A.** Ish, Inc. administers a Members-directed Consortium of utility companies sharing existing operational, technical, and management information regarding MGP site assessment and remediation. The Consortium provides a forum for member companies to discuss and share technical issues and experiences related to investigation, remediation, and management of former MGP sites.
- Through NJNG's participation with Ish, Inc., several technical issues have been addressed including:
  - Industry Benchmarking of available technologies and their successful applications.
  - Educational opportunities from discussion and sharing learned experiences from other utilities.

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Yes.

Timely reviews and experience of new technologies related to MGP site 1 2 remediation. 3 • Exposure to a professional and knowledgeable utility/industry workforce to enhance remediation learning experiences for NJNG's site remediation 4 staff. 5 NJNG believes the timely communication and implementation of these issues 6 have provided benefits to the NJNG ratepayers since the early 1990's. 7 Q. DOES THIS CONCLUDE YOUR TESTIMONY? 8 9