

June 21, 2013

FEDERAL EXPRESS

Hon. 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 ESTABLISHMENT OF A UNIVERSAL SERVICE FUND PURSUANT TO SECTION 12 OF THE ELECTRIC DISCOUNT AND ENERGY COMPETITION ACT OF 1999 BPU DOCKET NO. EX00020091

NEW JERSEY NATURAL GAS COMPANY
2013/2014 ANNUAL COMPLIANCE FILING FOR
THE UNIVERSAL SERVICE FUND PROGRAM FACTOR
WITHIN THE SOCIETAL BENEFITS CHARGE RATE
BPU DOCKET NO. ER1306___

Dear Secretary Izzo:

Please accept for filing in the Universal Service Fund ("USF") proceeding captioned above an original and 10 copies of the 2013/2014 USF/Lifeline Compliance Filing ("Compliance Filing") submitted by New Jersey Natural Gas Company ("NJNG" or the "Company"). Pursuant to Orders of the New Jersey Board of Public Utilities ("Board") dated April 30, 2003, July 16, 2003, and June 22, 2005, an annual compliance filing for prospective USF rates is required on or before July 1st of each year.

In order to streamline the Board's review of the required Compliance Filings from each New Jersey electric and natural gas company (collectively, the "Utilities"), the Utilities agreed to jointly submit one primary document containing the detailed rationale and supporting documentation for joint recommendations regarding the statewide USF/Lifeline rates. That information has been provided within the compliance filing of Public Service Electric and Gas Company ("PSE&G") ("Joint Compliance Filing"). The individual companies then submit abbreviated Compliance Filings supporting their individual positions and relying on the overall submission and positions included within the Joint Compliance Filing.

Therefore, NJNG accepts and relies on the 2013/2014 rate calculation template submitted in the Joint Compliance Filing for natural gas, including the requested statewide after-tax USF/Lifeline natural gas recovery rate of \$0.0120 per therm. The USF component is decreasing by \$0.0077 per therm and the Lifeline component is increasing by \$0.0013 per

therm. These rates, resulting in an after-tax decrease of (\$0.0064) per therm (from the current recovery rate of \$0.0184 per therm), represent a decrease of 0.55 percent on the average monthly bill for a residential heating customer, as shown on Exhibit NJNG-A attached hereto. Proposed tariff sheets are attached hereto as Exhibit NJNG-B. Although this filing proposes an overall decrease in the combined USF/Lifeline rate, NJNG intends to publish a public notice because the overall rate incorporates an increase in the Lifeline component. A proposed public notice is attached hereto as Exhibit NJNG-C.

In the June 21, 2010 Order in Docket No. EO09090771, the Board granted approval for the Utilities to defer and seek recovery of future administrative costs within certain categories of appropriate costs. In the October 4, 2012 Order in Docket No. ER12060565, the Board approved the disbursement of funds from the USF Trust Account maintained by the New Jersey State Department of Treasury to reimburse the utilities for their USF related administrative costs from August 1, 2011 through June 30, 2012. Attachment A of the Joint Compliance Filing includes NJNG's actual deferred administrative costs from July 1, 2012 through April 30, 2013 and estimated administrative costs for May 2013 through September 2013. Within the Joint Compliance Filing, the Utilities request full recovery of their deferred administrative costs in 2013/2014 USF rates and Lifeline rates in the month following Board approval of such rates from funds disbursed to the Utilities by the USF Trust Account.

NJNG requests that the Board accept its Compliance filing in conjunction with the Joint Compliance Filing and issue an Order granting the following relief:

- 1. Approval of a new statewide after-tax natural gas USF/Lifeline recovery rate of \$0.0120 per therm (an after-tax decrease of \$0.0064 per therm to the current statewide natural gas USF/Lifeline rate of \$0.0184 per therm) for natural gas service effective October 1, 2013 and
- 2. Authority to recover the deferred administrative costs included in the Joint Compliance Filing and to include those costs in rates.

Kindly acknowledge receipt of this Compliance Filing by date-stamping the enclosed copy of this letter and returning the same in the stamped, self-addressed envelope. Copies are being provided electronically to all individuals listed on the attached service list.

If you have any questions regarding this filing, I can be reached at (732) 919-8025.

Respectfully submitted,

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In the Matter of the Establishment of a Universal Service Fund Pursuant to Section 12 of the Electric Discount and Energy Competition Act of 1999 Docket Nos. EX00020091 and ER1306____

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(0.0064)

Pre-tax (0.0072) 0.0012

(0.0060)

New Jersey Natural Gas Company Net impact of Proposed Rate Changes BPU Docket Nos. EX00020091 & ER1306_ USF Year 2013/14

Projected Annual Revenue

Pre-tax

Post-tax

Projected SBC annual therms

Projected Annual Revenue \$ millior

Current

Rates

\$11.46

\$12.26

Proposed Rates \$7.46

\$7.99

(\$/therm)

666,101 (000s)

Change (\$4.00) (\$4.26)

	Component of Current		10/1/2013 Proposed		
	Component of	Pre-tax	Post-tax	Pre-tax	Post-tax
USF	Delivery Price	0.0127	0.0136	0.0055	0.0059
Lifeline	Delivery Price	<u>0.0045</u>	0.0048	<u>0.0057</u>	0.0061
NET IMPA	ст _	0.0172	0.0184	0.0112	0.0120
mpact on	Residential Non-Hea	ting Custome	<u>ers</u>		
Current Pr	ioos			25 therm bill	
Current Fr	Customer Charge		\$8.25	\$8.25	
	Delivery		\$0.5362	\$13.41	
	BGSS		\$0.5158	\$12.90	
		Total	\$1.0520	\$34.56	
Proposed	prices- effective 10/1	/13			
	Customer Charge		\$8.25	\$8.25	
	Delivery BGSS		\$0.5298 \$0.5158	\$13.25 \$12.00	
	BG33	Total	\$0.5158 \$1.0456	\$12.90 \$34.40	
		rotai	ψ1.0400	φ04.40	
	Decrease			(\$0.16)	
	Decrease as a perc	ent		(0.46%)	
mpact on	Residential Heating	Customers			1000 therm
				100 therm bill	annual bill
Current Pr	ices Customer Charge		\$8.25	\$8.25	\$99.00
	Delivery		\$8.25 \$0.5562	\$55.62	\$99.00 \$556.20
	BGSS		\$0.5158	\$51.58	\$515.80
		Total	\$1.0720	\$115.45	\$1,171.0
D		40			
Proposed	prices- effective 10/1 Customer Charge	/13	\$8.25	\$8.25	\$99.00
	Delivery		\$0.5498	\$54.98	\$549.80
	BGSS	_	\$0.5158	\$51.58	\$515.80
		Total	\$1.0656	\$114.81	\$1,164.6
	Decrease			(\$0.64)	(\$6.40
	Decrease as a perc	ent		(0.55%)	(0.55%
Impact on	Commercial GSS Cu	stomers		100 therm bill	
Current Pr	ices			100 them bill	
	Customer Charge		\$25.00	\$25.00	
	Delivery		\$0.5638	\$56.38	
	BGSS	Total	\$0.5158	\$51.58	
		TUIAI	\$1.0796	\$132.96	
Proposed	prices- effective 10/1	/13			
	Customer Charge		\$25.00	\$25.00	
	Delivery		\$0.5574	\$55.74	
	BGSS	Total	\$0.5158 \$1.0732	\$51.58 \$132.32	
		IUIAI	φ1.0/32	φ132.32	
	Decrease			(\$0.64)	
	Decrease as a perc	ent		(0.48%)	
Impact on	Commercial GSL Cu	stomers		1200 therm bill	
Current Pr	ices			.200	
	Customer Charge		\$40.00	\$40.00	
	Demand Charge		\$1.50	\$175.50	
	Delivery		\$0.4817 \$0.6186	\$578.04 \$742.32	
	BGSS (June 2013)	Total	\$0.6186 \$1.1003	\$742.32 \$1,535.86	
				+ 1,000.00	
Proposed	prices- effective 10/1	/13	0.40-00	*	
Proposed	Customer Charge	/13	\$40.00 \$1.50	\$40.00 \$175.50	
Proposed	Customer Charge Demand Charge	/13	\$1.50	\$175.50	
Proposed	Customer Charge Demand Charge Delivery	/13			
Proposed	Customer Charge Demand Charge	/13 Total	\$1.50 \$0.4753	\$175.50 \$570.36	
Proposed	Customer Charge Demand Charge Delivery BGSS (June 2013)		\$1.50 \$0.4753 \$0.6186	\$175.50 \$570.36 \$742.32 \$1,528.18	
Proposed	Customer Charge Demand Charge Delivery	Total	\$1.50 \$0.4753 \$0.6186	\$175.50 \$570.36 \$742.32	

BPU No. 8 - Gas

<u>Seventeenth Sixteenth</u> Revised Sheet No. 51 Superseding Sixteenth Fifteenth 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

\$0.55620.5498

Residential Non-Heating

Delivery Charge per therm

\$0.53620.5298

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.

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Issued by: Mark R. Sperduto, Senior Vice President

Wall, NJ 07719

BPU No. 8 - Gas

Fourteenth Thirteenth Revised Sheet No. 54 Superseding Thirteenth Twelfth Revised Sheet No. 54

SERVICE CLASSIFICATION – DGR

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

<u>Delivery Charge:</u>

November - April \$0.37470.3683

May - October \$0.31760.3112

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 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.

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<u>Seventeenth</u> Sixteenth Revised Sheet No. 56 Superseding Sixteenth Fifteenth 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

\$0.5638<u>0.5574</u>

BGSS Charge:

BGSS Charge per therm for Sales Customers

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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.

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<u>Seventeenth Sixteenth</u> Revised Sheet No. 59 Superseding Sixteenth Fifteenth 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 \$0.48170.4753

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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TenthNinth Revised Sheet No. 62 Superseding Ninth Eighth Revised Sheet No. 62

BPU No. 8 - Gas

SERVICE CLASSIFICATION - FT

FIRM TRANSPORTATION SERVICE

<u>AVAILABILITY</u>

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 \$0.19840.1920 Delivery Charge per therm for Low Load Factor ("LLF") customers \$0.23020.2238

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.

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:

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

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<u>Seventeenth Sixteenth</u> Revised Sheet No. 65 Superseding <u>Sixteenth Fifteenth</u> Revised Sheet No. 65

SERVICE CLASSIFICATION - DGC

DISTRIBUTED GENERATION SERVICE - COMMERCIAL

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	\$ 0.2836 <u>0.2772</u>	\$ 0.1938 <u>0.1874</u>
May - October	\$ 0.2509 <u>0.2445</u>	\$ 0.1611 <u>0.1547</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.

MINIMUM MONTHLY CHARGE

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

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SERVICE CLASSIFICATION - FC

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 \$\text{0.30770.3013}\$

BGSS Charge:

BGSS Charge per therm for Sales Customers

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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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TenthNinth Revised Sheet No. 77 Superseding Ninth Eighth Revised Sheet No. 77

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SERVICE CLASSIFICATION - IS

INTERRUPTIBLE SERVICE

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

Delivery Charge per therm \$0.13780.1314

Customers without Alternate Fuel

Delivery Charge per therm \$0.37950.3731

BGSS Charge:

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

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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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Superseding First Revised Original Sheet No. 97

<u>SERVICE CLASSIFICATIONS - CNG</u>

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 \$0.45270.4463

(\$0.5659<u>0.5579</u> 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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RIDER "H"

<u>UNIVERSAL SERVICE FUND – USF</u>

DETERMINATION OF THE USF

On an annual basis, the NJBPU shall consider the following: estimated USF benefits for upcoming USF program Year; estimated administrative expenses; the projected current year under/over recovery position, and annual forecasted volumes in order to establish a USF rate for the upcoming USF program year. This state wide rate shall be adjusted for all applicable taxes and assessments and shall be provided to all utilities to be included in their annual SBC filings for notice and public hearing purposes.

The Company shall calculate carrying costs on any under-or over-recovered USF balances based upon the two-year constant maturity Treasury rate, as published in the Federal Reserve Statistical Release on the first day of each month, or the closest day thereafter on which rates are published, plus sixty (60) basis points; provided, however, that this interest rate does not exceed the overall rate of return as authorized by the Board. The interest rate shall be reset each month. The carrying cost calculation shall be based on the net of tax beginning and end average monthly balance. The carrying costs shall accrue on a monthly basis and shall be rolled into the USF balance at the end of each USF year.

The USF shall be collected on a per therm basis and shall remain in effect until changed by order of the NJBPU:

Lifeline \$0.00480.0061 PIPP \$0.01360.0059

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 customer exempt from this tax, as set forth in Rider "B", shall be reduced by the amount of such tax included therein.

Date of Issue: September 20, 2012

Issued by: Mark R. Sperduto, <u>Senior</u> Vice President

Wall, NJ 07719

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	
TEFA		0.0084	0.0084	Rider B
SUT		0.0227	0.0227	Rider B
After-tax Base Rate		0.3474	0.3474	
WNC		0.0000	0.0000	Rider D
CIP		0.0352	0.0352	Rider I
EE		0.0127	0.0127	Rider F
CNGC		0.0000	<u>0.0000</u>	Rider G
Total Transport Rate	a	0.3953	0.3953	
Balancing Charge	b	0.0898	0.0898	Rider A
Societal Benefits Charge ("SBC"):				
NJ's Clean Energy		0.0203	0.0203	Rider E
RA		0.0324	0.0324	Rider C
USF		<u>0.01840.0</u> <u>120</u>	0.01840.0120	Rider H
Total SBC	c	<u>0.0711</u> 0.0 <u>647</u>	<u>0.0711</u> 0.0647	
Delivery Charge (DEL)	a+b+c=d	<u>0.5562</u> 0.5 <u>498</u>	<u>0.5562</u> 0.5498	
Basic Gas Supply Charge ("BGS")				
Periodic BGSS	e	0.6056	X	Rider A
Less: Balancing	f	0.0898	x	
BGS	e-f=g	<u>0.5158</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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Wall, NJ 07719

<u>Twentieth Nineteenth</u> Revised Sheet No. 253 Superseding Nineteenth <u>Eighteenth</u> Revised Sheet No. 253

SUMMARY OF RESIDENTIAL RATE COMPONENTS

Residential Non-Heating Customers

		Bundled Sales	Transport Sales	Reference
Customer Charge				
Customer Charge per meter per month		8.25	8.25	
Delivery Charge ("DEL") per therm				
Transport Rate:				
Pre-tax Base Rate		0.3163	0.3163	
TEFA		0.0084	0.0084	Rider B
SUT		0.0227	0.0227	Rider B
After-tax Base Rate		0.3474	0.3474	
CIP		0.0152	0.0152	Rider I
EE		0.0127	0.0127	Rider F
CNGC		0.0000	0.0000	Rider G
Total Transport Rate	a	0.3753	0.3753	
Balancing Charge	b	0.0898	0.0898	Rider A
Societal Benefits Charge ("SBC"):				
NJ's Clean Energy		0.0203	0.0203	Rider E
RA		0.0324	0.0324	Rider C
USF		<u>0.01840.0</u> <u>120</u>	<u>0.0184</u> 0.0120	Rider H
Total SBC	c	<u>0.0711</u> 0.0	0.0711 0.0647	
		<u>647</u>		
Delivery Charge (DEL)	a+b+c=d	<u>0.5362</u> 0.5 <u>298</u>	<u>0.5362</u> 0.5298	
Basic Gas Supply Charge ("BGS")				
Periodic BGSS	e	0.6056	X	Rider A
Less: Balancing	f	0.0898	X	
BGS	e-f=g	<u>0.5158</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 RESIDENTIAL RATE COMPONENTS

Residential Distributed Generation Service

a at		Nov - Apr	May - Oct	Reference
Customer Charge Customer Charge per meter per month		8.25	8.25	
Delivery Charge ("DEL") per therm				
Transport Rate:				
Pre-tax Base Rate		0.1795	0.1262	
TEFA		0.0084	0.0084	
SUT		0.0132	0.0094	Rider B
After-tax Base Rate		0.2011	0.1440	
EE		0.0127	0.0127	Rider F
Total Transport Rate	a	0.2138	0.1567	
Balancing Charge	b	0.0898	0.0898	Rider A
Societal Benefits Charge ("SBC"):				
NJ's Clean Energy		0.0203	0.0203	Rider E
RA		0.0324	0.0324	Rider C
USF		<u>0.0184</u> 0.0120	<u>0.0184</u> 0.0120	Rider H
Total SBC	c	<u>0.0711</u> 0.0647	<u>0.0711</u> 0.0647	
Delivery Charge (DEL)	a+b+c=d	<u>0.3747</u> 0.3683	<u>0.3176</u> 0.3112	
Basic Gas Supply Charge ("BGS")				
Periodic BGSS	e	0.6056	0.6056	Rider A
Less: Balancing	f	0.0898	0.0898	
BGS	e-f=g	<u>0.5158</u>	<u>0.5158</u>	

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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Issued by: Mark R. Sperduto, Senior Vice President

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Twenty-First Twentieth Revised Sheet No. 255 Superseding Twentieth Nineteenth Revised Sheet No. 255

SUMMARY OF FIRM COMMERCIAL RATE COMPONENTS

General Service - Small (GSS)

		Bundled Sales	Transport Sales	Reference
<u>Customer Charge</u>				
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	
TEFA		0.0074	0.0074	Rider B
SUT		0.0200	0.0200	Rider B
After-tax Base Rate		0.3052	0.3052	
WNC		0.0000	0.0000	Rider D
CIP		0.0850	0.0850	Rider I
EE		0.0127	0.0127	Rider F
CNGC		0.0000	0.0000	Rider G
Total Transport Rate	a	0.4029	0.4029	
Balancing Charge	b	0.0898	0.0898	Rider A
Societal Benefits Charge ("SBC"):				
NJ's Clean Energy		0.0203	0.0203	Rider E
RA		0.0324	0.0324	Rider C
USF		0.01840.0	0.0184 0.0120	Rider H
		<u>120</u>		
Total SBC	С	<u>0.0711</u> 0.0 <u>647</u>	<u>0.0711</u> 0.0647	
Delivery Charge (DEL)	a+b+c=d	<u>0.5638</u> 0.5 <u>574</u>	<u>0.5638</u> 0.5574	
Basic Gas Supply Charge ("BGS")				
Periodic BGSS	e	0.6056	X	Rider A
Less: Balancing	f	0.0898	X	
BGS	e-f=g	<u>0.5158</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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General Service - Large (GSL)

		Bundled Sales	Transport Sales	Reference
Customer Charge				
Customer Charge per meter per mont	th	40.00	40.00	
Demand Charge				
Demand Charge per month applied	to HMAD	1.50	1.50	
Delivery Charge ("DEL") per therm				
Transport Rate:				
Pre-tax Base Rate		0.2179	0.2179	
TEFA		0.0064	0.0064	Rider B
SUT		0.0157	0.0157	Rider B
After-tax Base Rate		0.2400	0.2400	
WNC		0.2400 0.0000	0.2400 0.0000	Rider D
CIP		0.0681	0.0681	Rider D Rider I
EE		0.0081	0.0081	Rider F
CNGC				Rider G
CNGC		0.0000	0.0000	Rider G
Total Transport Rate	a	0.3208	0.3208	
Balancing Charge	b	0.0898	0.0898	Rider A
Societal Benefits Charge ("SBC"):				
NJ's Clean Energy		0.0203	0.0203	Rider E
RA		0.0203	0.0324	Rider C
USF		0.0324 0.01840.0	0.0324 0.01840.0120	Rider H
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T. Lana		0.07110.0	0.05110.0645	
Total SBC	c	<u>0.0711</u> 0.0	<u>0.0711</u> 0.0647	
		<u>647</u>		
Delivery Charge (DEL)	a+b+c=d	<u>0.4817</u> 0.4	<u>0.4817</u> 0.4753	
· ·		<u>753</u>		
Basic Gas Supply Charge ("BGS")				
Monthly BGSS	e	0.7084	X	Rider A
Less: Balancing	f	0.0898	X	rauci 11
Lesso, Lumienig	1	0.0070	11	
BGS	e-f=g	<u>0.6186</u>	X	

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

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FIRM TRANSPORTATION (FT)

Continue Character		<u>HLF</u>	LLF	Reference
Customer Charge per meter per month		50.00	50.00	
<u>Demand Charge</u> Demand Charge per therm per month appl	lied to MDQ	1.37	1.37	
<u>Delivery Charge ("DEL") per therm</u> Transport Rate:				
Pre-tax Base Rate		0.1028	0.1325	
TEFA		0.0043	0.0043	Rider B
SUT		0.0075	0.0096	Rider B
After-tax Base Rate EE		0.1146 <u>0.0127</u>	0.1464 <u>0.0127</u>	Rider F
Total Transport Rate	a	0.1273	0.1591	
Societal Benefits Charge ("SBC"): NJ's Clean Energy RA USF		0.0203 0.0324 <u>0.01840.012</u> <u>0</u>	0.0203 0.0324 <u>0.01840.01</u> <u>20</u>	Rider E Rider C Rider H
Total SBC	b	<u>0.0711</u> 0.064 <u>Z</u>	<u>0.07110.06</u> <u>47</u>	
Delivery Charge (DEL)	a+b=c	<u>0.1984</u> 0.192 <u>0</u>	<u>0.2302</u> 0.22 <u>38</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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Wall, NJ 07719

Effective for service rendered on and after October January 1,

Filed pursuant to Order of the Board of Public Utilities entered in

Commercial Distributed Generation Service

		Nov - Apr	May - Oct	Reference
Customer Charge				
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	
Delivery Charge ("DEL") per therm				
Transport Rate:				
Pre-tax Base Rate		0.0951	0.0645	
TEFA		0.0077	0.0077	
SUT		0.0072	<u>0.0051</u>	Rider B
After-tax Base Rate		0.1100	0.0773	
EE		0.0127	0.0127	Rider F
CNGC		0.0000	0.0000	Rider G
Total Transport Rate	a	0.1227	0.0900	
Societal Benefits Charge ("SBC"):				
NJ's Clean Energy		0.0203	0.0203	Rider E
RA		0.0324	0.0324	Rider C
USF		<u>0.0184</u> 0.0120	<u>0.0184</u> 0.0120	Rider H
Total SBC	c	0.0711 0.0647	0.0711 0.0647	
DGC-FT Delivery Charge (DEL)	a+b=c	0.1938 <u>0.1874</u>	0.1611 <u>0.1547</u>	
Balancing Charge	b	<u>0.0898</u>	<u>0.0898</u>	
DGC-Balancing Delivery Charge (DEL)	a+b+c=d	<u>0.2836</u> 0.2772	<u>0.2509</u> 0.2445	

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.

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

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Issued by: Mark R. Sperduto, Senior Vice President

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Firm Cogeneration (FC)

		<u>Sales</u>	<u>Transport</u>	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		0.1233 0.0088	0.1233 0.0088	Rider B
561		<u>0.0000</u>	<u>0.0000</u>	THUCH D
After-tax Base Rate		0.1341	0.1341	
EE		<u>0.0127</u>	0.0127	Rider F
Total Transport Rate	a	0.1468	0.1468	
Balancing Charge	b	0.0898	0.0898	Rider A
Societal Benefits Charge ("SBC"):				
NJ's Clean Energy		0.0203	0.0203	Rider E
RA		0.0324	0.0324	Rider C
USF		<u>0.0184</u> 0.0120	<u>0.0184</u> 0.0120	Rider H
Total SBC	c	<u>0.0711</u> 0.0647	<u>0.0711</u> 0.0647	
Delivery Charge (DEL)	a+b+c=d	<u>0.3077</u> 0.3013	<u>0.3077</u> 0.3013	
Basic Gas Supply Charge ("BGS")				
Monthly BGSS	e	0.7084	X	Rider A
Less: Balancing	f	0.0898	X	
BGS	e-f=g	<u>0.6186</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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Sixty-Sixth Fifth Revised Sheet No. 260 Superseding Sixty-Fifth Fourth Revised Sheet No. 260

SUMMARY OF INTERRUPTIBLE RATE COMPONENTS

INTERRUPTIBLE SALES AND TRANSPORTATION

With 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		0.0494	0.0494	
TEFA		0.0011	0.0011	Rider B
SUT		0.0035	<u>0.0035</u>	Rider B
After-tax Base Rate		0.0540	0.0540	
EE		0.0127	0.0127	Rider F
Total Transport Rate	a	0.0667	0.0667	
Societal Benefits Charge ("SBC"): NJ's Clean Energy RA USF		0.0203 0.0324 <u>0.01840.0</u> <u>120</u>	0.0203 0.0324 <u>0.01840.0120</u>	Rider E Rider C Rider H
Total SBC	b	<u>0.0711</u> 0.0 <u>647</u>	0.0711 0.0647	
Delivery Charge (DEL)	a+b=c	<u>0.1378</u> 0.1 <u>314</u>	<u>0.1378</u> 0.1314	
Basic Gas Supply Charge ("BGS") Monthly BGSS	d	0.7084	X	Rider A
BGS	d	<u>0.7084</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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Sixty-Sixth Fifth Revised Sheet No. 261 Superseding Sixty-Fifth Fourth Revised Sheet No. 261

SUMMARY OF INTERRUPTIBLE RATE COMPONENTS

INTERRUPTIBLE SALES AND TRANSPORTATION

Without Alternate Fuel

		Bundled Sales	Transport Sales	Reference
Customer Charge				
Customer Charge per meter per month		575.00	575.00	
Delivery Charge ("DEL") per therm				
Transport Rate:				
Pre-tax Base Rate		0.2753	0.2753	
TEFA		0.0011	0.0011	Rider B
SUT		0.0193	0.0193	Rider B
After-tax Base Rate		0.2957	0.2957	
EE		0.0127	0.0127	Rider F
Total Transport Rate	a	0.3084	0.3084	
Societal Benefits Charge ("SBC"):				
NJ's Clean Energy		0.0203	0.0203	Rider E
RA		0.0324	0.0324	Rider C
USF		<u>0.01840.0</u> <u>120</u>	0.0184 0.0120	Rider H
Total SBC	b	<u>0.07110.0</u> <u>647</u>	<u>0.0711</u> 0.0647	
Delivery Charge (DEL)	a+b=c	<u>0.3795</u> 0.3 <u>731</u>	<u>0.3795</u> 0.3731	
Basic Gas Supply Charge ("BGS")				
Monthly BGSS	d	0.7084	X	Rider A
BGS	d	<u>0.7084</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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Compressed Natural Gas (CNG)

		Bundled Sales	Transport Sales	Reference
<u>Customer Charge</u>				
Customer Charge per meter per month		50.00	50.00	
Delivery Charge ("DEL") per therm				
Transport Rate:				
Pre-tax Base Rate		0.1448	0.1448	
CNG Charge		0.2000	0.2000	
SUT		<u>0.0241</u>	0.0241	Rider B
After-tax Base Rate		0.3689	0.3689	
EE		<u>0.0127</u>	0.0127	Rider F
Total Transport Rate	a	0.3816	0.3816	
Societal Benefits Charge ("SBC"):				
NJ's Clean Energy		0.0203	0.0203	Rider E
RA		0.0324	0.0324	Rider C
USF		0.01840.0 120	<u>0.0184</u> 0.0120	Rider H
Total SBC	b	<u>0.0711</u> 0.0 <u>647</u>	<u>0.0711</u> 0.0647	
Delivery Charge (DEL)	a+b=c	<u>0.4527</u> 0.4 <u>463</u>	<u>0.4527</u> 0.4463	
Basic Gas Supply Charge ("BGS") Monthly BGSS	d	0.7084	X	Rider A
BGS	d	<u>0.7084</u>	X	

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

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

Date of Issue: May 30, 2013

Issued by: Mark R. Sperduto, Senior Vice President

Wall, NJ 07719

NEW JERSEY NATURAL GAS COMPANY NOTICE OF FILING AND PUBLIC HEARING

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTABLISHMENT OF A UNIVERSAL SERVICE FUND PURSUANT TO SECTION 12 OF THE ELECTRIC DISCOUNT AND ENERGY COMPETITION ACT OF 1999 BPU DOCKET NO. EX00020091

IN THE MATTER OF THE PETITION OF NEW JERSEY NATURAL GAS COMPANY 2012/2013 ANNUAL COMPLIANCE FILING FOR THE UNIVERSAL SERVICE FUND PROGRAM FACTOR WITHIN THE SOCIETAL BENEFITS CHARGE RATE BPU DOCKET NO. ER1306____

TO OUR CUSTOMERS:

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that, pursuant to the Electric Discount and Energy Competition Act, N.J.S.A. 48:3-49, et seq., the Universal Service Fund ("USF") program was established by the New Jersey Board of Public Utilities (the "Board"), to provide funds to assist qualifying low-income individuals in paying their energy bills. Pursuant to Orders of the Board dated April 30, 2003, July 16, 2003 and June 22, 2005, the State's electric and gas public utilities' Societal Benefits Charge includes recovery of funding for the USF program through uniform statewide rates. The Societal Benefits Charge also includes funding for the Lifeline Program. The State of New Jersey's Department of Community Affairs is the Administrator of the USF Program and the New Jersey Department of Health and Senior Services is the Administrator of the Lifeline programs and authorizes the disbursement of benefits to eligible customers in the respective programs.

New Jersey Natural Gas Company ("NJNG" or the "Company") made a compliance filing with the Board on June 21, 2013, requesting authority to implement a decrease related to the statewide USF/Lifeline program charge, as described below, to be effective on October 1, 2013. The current after-tax USF/Lifeline program charge for natural gas customers is \$0.0184 per therm. The USF component is decreasing by \$0.0077 per therm and the Lifeline component is increasing by \$0.0013 per therm. The proposed after-tax USF/Lifeline program charge will decrease to \$0.0120 to recover approximately \$25.5 million for the statewide natural gas USF program and \$26.4 million for the Lifeline programs. The above request will not result in any profit to the Company. The revenues received under the proposed USF charge are designed to permit the Company to recover only its costs for the USF and Lifeline program. Actual program costs will be reconciled with the revenues received through the USF program charge in the next annual filing scheduled to be made no later than July 1, 2014.

The proposed statewide charges for natural gas customers are as follows:

Universal Service/Lifeline Fund Components of Societal Benefits Charge						
	Present	Present	Proposed	Proposed		
		(Incl. Sales and		(Incl. Sales and Use		
		Use Tax)		Tax)		
USF- per therm	\$0.0127	\$0.0136	\$0.0055	\$0.0059		
Lifeline- per therm	\$0.0045	\$0.0048	\$0.0057	\$0.0061		
Total USF/Lifeline	\$0.0172	\$0.0184	\$0.0112	\$0.0120		

If approved by the Board, the impact of the proposed changes in the USF/Lifeline Charge on typical natural gas bills is illustrated below:

		Rates		Decrease	
			Proposed		
	Therm	Bill as of	Bill as of		
Customer Type	Level	June 1, 2013	October 1, 2013	Amount	Percent
Residential Heat Sales	100	\$115.45	\$114.81	(\$0.64)	(0.55%)
Residential Non-Heat Sales	25	\$34.56	\$34.40	(\$0.16)	(0.46%)
General Service Small	100	\$132.96	\$132.32	(\$0.64)	(0.48%)
General Service Large	1200	\$1,535.86	\$1,528.18	(\$7.68)	(0.50%)

Based on this filing, a typical residential natural gas customer using 100 therms per month would see a decrease in their monthly bill from \$115.45 to \$114.81, or (\$0.64) or approximately (0.55) percent.

The Board has the statutory authority to establish the USF and Lifeline charges at levels it finds just and reasonable. Therefore, the Board may establish the USF and Lifeline charges at levels other than those proposed by NJNG.

Copies of the Company's June 21, 2013 filing can be reviewed either at the NJNG Customer Service Centers listed on the Company Web site, www.njng.com, or at the New Jersey Board of Public Utilities, 44 South Clinton Avenue P.O. Box 350 Trenton, NJ 08625-0350.

The following date, time and location for a public hearing have been scheduled on the above filing so that members of the public may present their views:

August , 2013 at 4:30 and 5:30 P.M.

Rockaway Township Municipal Building
Conference Room
65 Mt. Hope Road
Rockaway Township, New Jersey 07866-1698

August , 2013 at 4:30 and 5:30 P.M.
Freehold Township Municipal Building
Conference Room
One Municipal Plaza, Schanck Road
Freehold, New Jersey 07728-3099

The public is invited to attend and interested persons will be permitted to testify and/or make a statement of their views on the proposed increases. In order to encourage full participation in this opportunity for public comment, please submit any requests for needed accommodations, including interpreter, listening devices or mobility assistance, 48 hours prior to this hearing. Regardless of whether they attend the hearing, members of the public may submit written comments concerning the petition to the BPU by addressing them to: Kristi Izzo, Secretary, New Jersey Board of Public Utilities, 44 South Clinton Avenue P.O. Box 350 Trenton, NJ 08625-0350.