

STATE OF NEW JERSEY Board of Public Utilities 44 South Clinton Avenue, 9th Floor Post Office Box 350 Trenton, New Jersey 08625-0350 www.nj.gov/bpu/

AGENDA FOR BOARD MEETING
The meeting will be held on
Wednesday, July 14, 2021 – 10:00 a.m.

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Executive Session

Open Session will not reconvene until the conclusion of the Executive Session, which will commence at 10:00 a.m. The only business to be conducted in the 10:00 a.m. Open Session will be the reading of the public notice statement, roll call, and the exception, under the Open Public Meetings Act, for each item to be considered in Executive Session.

2. ENERGY

F. Docket No. ER21010001 – In the Matter of the Board of Public Utilities – Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC) Items for 2021; and

Docket No. EO21070976 – In the Matter of the Approval of Settlement Agreement.

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8. CLEAN ENERGY

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Executive Session (CONT'D)

8. CLEAN ENERGY (CONT'D)

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I. AUDITS

A. Energy Agent and Energy Consultant Initial Registrations

EE21050815L	A2A Energy International, LLC	I – EA
EE21040731L	Excelsior Gas and Electric, LLC	I – EA
EE21050762L	NEM Group, Inc.	I – EA

These matters relate to the above applicants being issued an initial license as an Energy Agent and Energy Consultant for one year.

Energy Agent, Private Aggregator and/or Energy Consultant Renewal Registrations

EE20040317L	Choice! Energy Services Retail, LP d/b/a Choice! Energy Management	R – EA
EE20060444L	Energy Management Partners II, Inc. d/b/a Energy Management Partners	R – EA
EE21030632L	Hospital Energy, LLC	R – EA
EE20060450L	Hovey Energy, LLC	R – EA
EE20100641L	KOBIONA, LLC	R – EA
EE21020132L	MJI Management Group Corp. d/b/a GreenLine Energy	R – EA
EE20110697L	Our Energy Manager, LLC	R – EA

I. AUDITS (CONT'D)

EE21050774L	Premier Energy Management, LLC	R – EA
EE21010063L	Prudential Energy Services Corporation	R – EA
EE21050861L	PRX Energy, LLC	R – EA
EE21020625L	River Oaks Energy, Inc.	R – EA
EE21050832L GE21050833L	Early Bird Power, LLC	R – EA/PA
EE20030215L GE20030216L	Electric Advisors, Inc.	R – EA/PA
EE20090571L GE20090572L	Energy Professionals, LLC	R – EA/PA
EE20050349L GE20050350L	Maryland Energy Advisors, LLC d/b/a pointswitchclick.com	R – EA/PA
<u>GE21020115L</u>	New Jersey Business and Industry Association	R – PA
EE21050838L GE21050839L	Alternative Utility Services, Inc.	R – EA/PA/EC
EE21030637L GE21030638L	EnerConnex, LLC	R – EA/PA/EC
EE21040692L GE21040693L	GREENCROWN Energy, LLC	R – EA/PA/EC
EE20060437L GE20060438L	Provident Energy Consulting, LLC	R – EA/PA/EC
EE21050778L GE21050779L	Sprague Energy Solutions, Inc.	R – EA/PA/EC
EE21050828L GE21050829L	Ultimate Energy Advisors, LLC d/b/a Ultimate Energy Advisors	R – EA/PA/EC
EE21020606L GE21020607L	National Energy Network, Inc.	R – EA/EC
EE21010040L GE21020483L	Utility Advantage, LLC	R – EA/EC

These matters relate to the above applicants being issued renewal registrations as an energy agent, private aggregator and/or energy agent consultant for one year.

I. AUDITS (CONT'D)

Electric Power and Natural Gas Supplier Renewal Licenses

EE19010054L Texas Retail Energy, LLC

R - ESL

This matter relates to an application for a renewal license as an electric power and natural gas supplier for one year.

II. ENERGY

NO ITEMS FOR CONSIDERATION

III. CABLE TELEVISION

A. Docket No. CE19050671 – In the Matter of the Petition of Comcast of Monmouth County, LLC for a Renewal Certificate of Approval to Continue to Construct, Operate and Maintain a Cable Television System in and for the Borough of Red Bank, County of Monmouth, State of New Jersey.

Comcast of Monmouth County, LLC is seeking Board approval for Renewal of its Certificate of Approval to provide cable television service to the Borough of Red Bank, County of Monmouth for a ten-year term and contains a grant of \$18,000 for the municipality.

B. Docket No. CE20020135 – In the Matter of the Petition of CSC TKR, LLC d/b/a Cablevision of Morris for a Renewal Certificate of Approval to Continue to Construct, Operate and Maintain a Cable Television System in and for the Township of Mount Olive, County of Morris, State of New Jersey.

CSC TKR, LLC d/b/a Cablevision of Morris is seeking Board approval for Renewal of its Certificate of Approval to provide cable television service to the Township of Mount Olive, County of Morris for a ten-year term and contains a grant of \$25,000 for the municipality, which shall be paid out in installments as stipulated in the order.

IV. TELECOMMUNICATIONS

A. Docket No. TT20100690 – In the Matter of Verizon New Jersey's Letter Filing for Tariff Revisions that would Discontinue Certain Intrastate Switched and Special Access Private Line DSO Services as well as Certain IntraLATA DSO Services in the Mendham and Paterson Wire Centers.

On October 30, 2020, Verizon New Jersey, Inc. filed a letter with the Board of Public Utilities to discontinue certain Intrastate Switched and Special Access private line DSO services as well as certain IntraLATA DSO services in the Mendham and Paterson wire centers, to update selective wire centers to the next-generation platforms and all-fiber facilities.

IV. TELECOMMUNICATIONS (CONT'D)

B. Docket Nos. TE20120760 and TE20120761 – In the Matter of the Petition of United Telephone Company of New Jersey Inc. d/b/a CenturyLink for Approval of the Renewal of Two Municipal Consents Pursuant to N.J.S.A. 48:2-14.

Staff recommends approval of two municipal consents filed on behalf of CenturyLink and adopted by: (1) the Township of Franklin in Somerset County; and (2) the Township of Washington in Morris County, which will allow the Company to continue to operate in the townships.

C. Docket No. TF21030666 – In the Matter of the Verified Petition of PEG Bandwidth NJ, LLC and Uniti National, LLC for Approval to Participate in Certain Financing Arrangements.

PEG Bandwidth NJ, LLC seeks authorization from the Board to issue up to \$1.1 billion of senior debt, in conjunction with its parent company and affiliates. If approved, the new debt, at 6.5%, will be used to repurchase existing senior notes with a rate of 8.25%.

V. WATER

A. Docket No. WF21030650 – In the Matter of the Petition of New Jersey-American Water Company, Inc. for Approval of Expansion of its Financing Program Involving the Refinancing of Existing Long-Term Debt and the Issuance of New Long-Term Debt Through December 31, 2021.

New Jersey-American Water Company seeks Board approval to borrow up to \$55 million by issuing long-term debt through, but not later than December 31, 2021.

VI. RELIABILITY AND SECURITY

NO ITEMS FOR CONSIDERATION

VII. CUSTOMER ASSISTANCE

A. Docket Nos. BPU EC19040459U and OAL PUC 12072-19; and Docket Nos. BPU EC19040458U and OAL PUC 12070-19 – In the Matter of Thomas Watkins, Petitioner v. Public Service Electric and Gas Company, Respondent – Billing Dispute.

This matter involves a billing dispute between Mr. Watkins and Public Service Electric and Gas Company. Petitioner alleges that they were improperly billed.

VIII. CLEAN ENERGY

NO ITEMS FOR CONSIDERATION

IX. MISCELLANEOUS

- **A.** Approval of the following Minutes:
 - January 22, 2020 Executive Session Minutes; and
 - June 9, 2021 Board Agenda Minutes.



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2. ENERGY

A. Docket No. EO20080541 – In the Matter of the Petition of Atlantic City Electric Company for Approval of the Smart Energy Network Program and Cost Recovery Mechanism and Other Related Relief.

The Board will consider Atlantic City Electric Company's petition for approval of an Advanced Metering Instructure ("AMI") Program. The parties have executed a stipulation, which if approved by the Board, will allow the Company to deploy AMI throughout its service territory.

B. Docket Nos. BPU ER20120746 and OAL PUC 00284-2021 S – In the Matter of the Petition of Atlantic City Electric Company for Approval of Amendments to its Tariff to Provide for an Increase in Rates and Charges for Electric Service Pursuant to N.J.S.A. 48:2-21 and N.J.S.A. 48:2-21.1, and for Other Appropriate Relief (12/2020).

The Board will consider Atlantic City Electric Company's 2020 Base Rate Case filing. The parties have executed a stipulation, which if approved by the Board, will result in an increase in the monthly bill of a typical residential customer of \$4.22, effective January 1, 2022.

2. ENERGY (CONT'D)

C. Docket No. GR20120763 – In the Matter of the Petition of Public Service Electric and Gas Company to Modify its Manufactured Gas Plant (MGP) Remediation Component within its Electric Societal Benefits Charge (SBC) and its Gas SBC; During the Remediation Adjustment Charge (RAC) 28 Period, August 1, 2019, to July 31, 2020.

The Board will consider Public Service Electric and Gas Company's December 2020 RAC petition. The parties have executed a stipulation, which if approved by the Board, will result in an annual decrease of \$0.44 for a typical residential electric customer and an annual decrease of \$4.36 for a typical residential gas customer.

D. Docket No. EM21030674 – In the Matter of the Petition of Public Service Electric and Gas Company for Approval of the Sale and Conveyance of Real Property Located at 65 Duffield Avenue, with a Municipal Tax Map Designation of Block 7402, Lot 15, Qualifier HM, in the City of Jersey City, County of Hudson and State of New Jersey to BPG Acquisitions LLC, a Limited Liability Company for the Sum of \$7,100,000.00.

The Board will consider Public Service Electric and Gas Company's request to sell real property in Jersey City, New Jersey.

E. Docket No. ER20100691 – In the Matter of the Verified Petition of Rockland Electric Company Concerning the Setting of the Administrative Fee and the Regional Greenhouse Gas Initiative ("RGGI") Recovery Charge for 2021 Associated with its Solar Renewable Energy Certificate ("SREC II") Program.

The Board will consider Rockland Electric Company's Solar Renewable Energy Certificate II rates. The parties have executed a stipulation, which if approved by the Board, will result in no changes to customer bills.

F. Docket No. ER21010001 – In the Matter of the Board of Public Utilities – Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC) Items for 2021; and

<u>Docket No. EO21070976 – In the Matter of the Approval of Settlement Agreement – Executive Session.</u>

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3. CABLE TELEVISION

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4. TELECOMMUNICATIONS

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5. WATER

A. Docket No. WX19050612 – In the Matter of the Proposed Amendment to N.J.A.C. 14:9 Adoption by Reference of the Uniform System of Accounts for Water Utilities.

The Board will adopt a final rule that adopts by reference, the Uniform System of Accounts for Class A, Class B and Class C Water Utilities that have been promulgated by the National Association of Regulatory Utility Commissioners ("NARUC"). The proposed regulation was published in the December 7, 2020 New Jersey Register at 52 N.J.R. 2094(a).

B. Docket No. WX19050613 – In the Matter of the Proposed Amendment to N.J.A.C. 14:9 Adoption by Reference of the Uniform System of Accounts for Wastewater (Sewer) Utilities.

The Board will adopt a final rule that adopts by reference, the Uniform System of Accounts for Class A, Class B and Class C Wastewater (Sewer) Utilities that have been promulgated by the National Association of Regulatory Utility Commissioners ("NARUC"). The proposed regulation was published in the December 7, 2020 New Jersey Register at 52 N.J.R. 2094(a).

C. Docket No. WM21060909 – In the Matter of the Joint Petition of Veolia Environnement S.A., Veolia North America, Inc., SUEZ S.A., and SUEZ Water New Jersey, Inc. for Approval of a Change of Control of SUEZ Water New Jersey, Inc. and Other Related Approvals.

Veolia and SUEZ have submitted a joint petition for merger and change of ownership. Staff is recommending the Board retain the matter and designate a Commissioner as Hearing Officer.

6. RELIABILITY AND SECURITY

NO ITEMS FOR CONSIDERATION

7. CUSTOMER ASSISTANCE

A. Docket Nos. BPU WC19040532U and OAL PUC 08359-19; and Docket Nos. BPU WC19040533U and OAL PUC 08357-19 – In the Matter of Ifeoma Ezekwo, Petitioner v. SUEZ Water New Jersey, Respondent – Billing Dispute.

This matter involves a billing dispute between Ifeoma Ezekwo and SUEZ Water New Jersey. Petitioner alleges that she was improperly billed.

B. Docket Nos. BPU WC20120743U and OAL PUC 01007-21 – In the Matter of ABX Group, LLC, Petitioner v. Middlesex Water Company, Respondent – Billing Dispute.

This matter involves a billing dispute between ABX Group, LLC and Middlesex Water Company. Petitioner alleges that they were improperly billed.

8. CLEAN ENERGY

A. Docket No. QX21040728 – In the Matter of a Rulemaking Proceeding to Amend the Renewable Portfolio Standard and Create New Rules Establishing a Solar Small Facility Incentive Program Pursuant to P.L. 2018, c. 17.

The Board will consider a rule proposal to establish a new solar incentive program, known as the Successor Solar Incentive ("SuSI") program. The proposed SuSI rule creates a framework for the assignment of specific solar incentives in a future order.

B. Docket No. QO21010014 – In the Matter of the Acoustical Testing Pilot Program Awards, Pursuant to N.J.S.A. 48:3-60.3.

The Board will consider Staff recommendations for grant awards within the Acoustical Testing Pilot Program. The program seeks to address water and energy losses arising from aging water infrastructure within New Jersey, with a focus on urban and older suburban areas that would result in benefits to overburdened communities.

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ENERGY

<u>Docket No. EO20030203 – In the Matter of BPU Investigation of Resource Adequacy</u> Alternatives.

The Board will consider accepting the Staff Report on Resource Adequacy Alternatives and directing Staff to take additional action, in accord with the recommendations in the Report.