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## STATE OF NEW JERSEY

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IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION OF ATLANTIC CITY ELECTRIC COMPANY TO ADJUST THE LEVEL OF ITS "RIDER RGGI" RATE ASSOCIATED WITH ITS SOLAR RENEWABLE ENERGY CERTIFICATE FINANCING PROGRAM (2019)	) ) ) )	ORDER APPROVING STIPULATION DOCKET NO. ER19060697

#### Parties of Record:

**Philip J. Passanante, Esq.**, Atlantic City Electric Company **Stefanie A. Brand, Esq.**, **Director**, New Jersey Division of Rate Counsel

#### BY THE BOARD:

By this Order, the New Jersey Board of Public Utilities ("Board" or "BPU") considers a Stipulation of Settlement ("Stipulation") with respect to the verified petition filed by Atlantic City Electric Company ("ACE" or "Company") on June 3, 2019 ("June 2019 Petition") requesting approval of a decrease in its Regional Greenhouse Gas Initiative Recovery Charge Rider ("Rider RGGI") to recover costs incurred in its Solar Renewable Energy Certificate ("SREC") Financing Program ("SREC Financing Program").

## **BACKGROUND AND PROCEDURAL HISTORY**

By Order dated August 7, 2008, the Board directed Jersey Central Power & Light Company ("JCP&L") and ACE to file, by September 30, 2008, a solar financing program based on SRECs, utilizing and incorporating certain mandatory design and filing requirements. On October 1, 2008, ACE filed a proposed SREC financing program assigned to BPU Docket No. EO08100875.

ACE, JCP&L, Board Staff ("Staff"), the New Jersey Division of Rate Counsel ("Rate Counsel"), and the Solar Alliance ("SA") considered the ACE and JCP&L filings in the course of 11 settlement meetings held between February and March 2009. Over the course of those settlement discussions, the ACE and JCP&L proposals were incorporated into a single program, which included a cost recovery mechanism and incentives. ACE, JCP&L, Staff, and SA executed a stipulation on March 13, 2009. ("March 2009 Stipulation"). Rate Counsel was also a signatory to the March 2009 Stipulation, but reserved its right to contest three specific issues. By Order dated March 27, 2009, the Board approved the March 2009 Stipulation and decided the contested

issues.<sup>1</sup> Among other things, the March 2009 Order approved the recovery of costs through an SREC Financing Program rate component of the Rider RGGI equal to a per kWh charge applicable to all customers. As net program costs for the first year of the program were uncertain, the March 2009 Order required that ACE's Rider RGGI rate component for this program be set at zero (\$0.000000 per kWh).<sup>2</sup>

On May 8, 2009, Rate Counsel filed a Notice of Appeal with the Superior Court of New Jersey, Appellate Division regarding the additional recoveries portion of the contested issues. On July 29, 2009, ACE, JCP&L, Staff, and Rate Counsel entered into a further stipulation of settlement with respect to the contested issues. ("Stipulation on Appeal"). By Order dated September 16, 2009, the Board modified its March 2009 Order to reflect the terms of the Stipulation on Appeal.<sup>3</sup> Rate Counsel withdrew its appeal on September 23, 2009.

By Order dated December 18, 2013, the Board approved an SREC Financing Program component of the Rider RGGI rate of \$0.000610 per kWh.<sup>4</sup> By Order dated November 16, 2015, the Board approved an SREC Financing Program component of the Rider RGGI rate of \$0.000824 per kWh.<sup>5</sup> By Order dated November 30, 2016, the Board approved an SREC Financing Program component of the Rider RGGI rate of \$0.000567 per kWh, which was further reduced to reflect a change in the applicable SUT to the rate of \$0.000566 per kWh.<sup>6</sup> By Order dated September 22, 2017, the Board approved an SREC Financing Program component of the Rider RGGI rate of \$0.000392 per kWh, which was further reduced to reflect a change in the applicable SUT to the current rate of \$0.000391 per kWh.<sup>7</sup> By Order dated January 17, 2019, the Board approved an SREC Financing Program component of the Rider RGGI rate of \$0.000417 per kWh.<sup>8</sup>

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> In re Atlantic City Electric Company Renewable Energy Portfolio Standard- Amendments to the Minimum Filing Requirements for Energy Efficiency, Renewable Energy, and Conservation Programs; and for Electric Distribution Company Submittals of Filings in Connection with Solar Financing, BPU Docket No. EO08100875 (March 27, 2009). ("March 2009 Order").

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> All rates quoted herein include Sales and Use Tax ("SUT").

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> In re Atlantic City Electric Company Renewable Energy Portfolio Standard- Amendments to the Minimum Filing Requirements for Energy Efficiency, Renewable Energy, and Conservation Programs; and for Electric Distribution Company Submittals of Filings in Connection with Solar Financing, BPU Docket No. EO08100875 (September 16, 2009).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> In re Atlantic City Electric Company's Annual Filing to Set the Level of its "Rider RGGI" Rate Associated with its Solar Renewable Energy Certificate Financing Program AND In re Atlantic City Electric Company Renewable Energy Portfolio Standard-Amendments to the Minimum Filing Requirements for Energy Efficiency, Renewable Energy and Conservation Programs; and for Electric Distribution Company Submittals of Filings in Connection with Solar Financing, BPU Docket Nos. EO13030241 and EO12040312 (December 18, 2013).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>5</sup> In re the Application of Atlantic City Electric Company to Adjust the Level of its "Rider RGGI" Rate Associated with its Solar Renewable Energy Certificate Financing Program (2015), BPU Docket No. EO15050505 (November 16, 2015).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>6</sup> In re the Application of Atlantic City Electric Company to Adjust the Level of its "Rider RGGI" Rate Associated with its Solar Renewable Energy Certificate Financing Program (2016), BPU Docket No. ER16050402 (November 30, 2016).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>7</sup> In re the Application of Atlantic City Electric Company to Adjust the Level of its "Rider RGGI" Rate Associated with its Solar Renewable Energy Certificate Financing Program (2017), BPU Docket No. ER17040357 (September 22, 2017).

<sup>8</sup> In re the Application of Atlantic City Electric Company to Adjust the Level of its "Rider RGGI" Rate Associated with its Solar Renewable Energy Certificate Financing Program (2018), BPU Docket No. ER18050543 (January 17, 2019).

## **JUNE 2019 PETITION**

In the June 2019 Petition, ACE sought Board approval to adjust the level of the Rider RGGI charge associated with ACE's SREC Financing Program rate component. Based on actual program costs through April 2019, and forecasted costs from May 2019 through August 2020, ACE proposed to recover approximately \$2.75 million of costs associated with the SREC Financing Program. ACE requested that the Board approve its request to adjust the SREC Financing Program component of its Rider RGGI rate from the current per kWh charge of \$0.000417 to \$0.000337.

In response to discovery, the Company updated the revenue requirement to reflect updated program data through June 30, 2019 and projected program costs from July 1, 2019 through August 31, 2020. ("Update"). The net effect of the Update would modify the amount to be recovered through the Rider RGGI for this program to approximately \$2.73 million. The Update also had the effect of decreasing the requested SREC Financing Program component of its Rider RGGI rate to \$0.000334 per kWh.

Because the June 2019 Petition proposed a decrease in rates, public hearings were not required or held. Additionally, no written comments were received by the Board.

## **STIPULATION**

Following a review of the June 2019 Petition and conducting discovery, the Company, Staff, and Rate Counsel (collectively, the "Parties"), executed the Stipulation which resolves all factual and legal issues pertaining to the June 2019 Petition. The Parties have agreed to the following salient terms:

- The Parties agree that the actual SREC Financing Program costs incurred through June 30, 2019, as shown in the Updated Exhibit B to the June 2019 Petition, a copy of which is attached to the Stipulation as Attachment 1, have been reviewed and deemed prudent and reasonable by the Parties. Actual costs incurred after that date are subject to review for reasonableness and prudence in a future proceeding.
- 2. The Parties agree that the proposed SREC Financing Program component of the Rider RGGI charge should be set at \$0.000334 per kWh, inclusive of SUT, resulting in a rate decrease on a typical residential customer using 679 kWh per month of \$0.06 or a 0.05 percent decrease from the rate currently in effect, and that such decrease is consistent with the terms and conditions of the Board's Orders, and therefore should be approved by the Board. The charge of \$0.000334 per kWh, inclusive of SUT, is based on an annual revenue requirement of \$2,727,150 as shown in Attachment 1 of the Stipulation. This revenue requirement reflects actual results through June 30, 2019 and projected results through August 31, 2020 and includes a) a projected revenue requirement of \$2,948,518 for the forecasted period of September 2019 through August 2020; b) a deferred balance

<sup>9</sup> Although described in this Order, should there be any conflict between this summary and the Stipulation, the terms of the Stipulation control, subject to the findings and conclusions contained in this Order. Paragraphs are numbered to coincide with the Stipulation.

through August 31, 2019 of (\$221,149); and c) interest from January 1, 2019 through August 31, 2019 of (\$219). The charge of \$0.000334 per kWh, inclusive of SUT, also incorporates the methodology that utilizes the average of the three (3) most recent actual SREC auction prices.

- 3. The Company will submit updated tariff sheets within five (5) business days of the effective date of the Board's Order in this docket conforming to the agreed upon rates and terms set forth in the Stipulation or on such other schedule as the Board shall determine. The proposed tariff sheets are attached to the Stipulation as Attachment 2.
- 4. The Parties acknowledge and agree that adoption by the Board of the Stipulation fully resolves the June 2019 Petition.

## **DISCUSSION AND FINDING**

The Board has carefully reviewed the record in this matter including the June 2019 Petition, the Update, and the Stipulation. The Board is persuaded that the costs through June 30, 2019 as shown on Attachment 1 to the Stipulation have been reviewed and deemed to be reasonable and prudent. Accordingly, the Board <u>HEREBY FINDS</u> the Stipulation to be reasonable, in the public interest and in accordance with the law. Accordingly, the Board <u>HEREBY ADOPTS</u> the Stipulation as its own, as if fully set forth herein.

The Board <u>HEREBY APPROVES</u> a decrease in the SREC Financing Program component of ACE's Rider RGGI to \$0.000334 per kWh, effective for service rendered on or after March 1, 2020. As a result, a typical residential customer using approximately 679 kWh per month will see a decrease of \$0.06 or 0.05% on a total monthly bill.

The Board <u>HEREBY ORDERS</u> ACE to file revised tariff sheets in compliance with the terms and conditions of the Stipulation prior to March 1, 2020.

The Company's costs, including those related to SREC Financing Program, remain subject to audit by the Board. This Decision and Order shall not preclude nor prohibit the Board from taking any actions determined to be appropriate as a result of any such audit.

This Board Order shall be effective as of February 15, 2020.

DATED: 2/5/20

**BOARD OF PUBLIC UTILITIES** 

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I HEREBY CERTIFY that the within document is a true copy of the original in the files of the Board of Public Utilities.

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#### BPU Docket No. ER19060697

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RE: In the Matter of the Application of Atlantic City Electric Company to Adjust the Level of Its "Rider RGGI" Rate Associated with Its Solar Renewable Energy Certificate Financing Program (2019)

BPU Docket No. ER19060697

Dear Secretary Camacho-Welch:

Enclosed for filing are an original and ten (10) conformed copies of a fully executed Stipulation of Settlement (the "Stipulation") in connection with the above-referenced matter.

Please return one date-stamped and "filed" copy of this cover letter and the Stipulation in the pre-addressed, postage-prepaid envelope provided.

Thank you for your cooperation and courtesies. Feel free to contact me with any questions or if I can be of further assistance.

Respectfully submitted,

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Enclosure

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IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION OF ATLANTIC CITY ELECTRIC COMPANY TO ADJUST THE LEVEL OF ITS "RIDER RGGI" RATE ASSOCIATED WITH ITS SOLAR RENEWABLE ENERGY CERTIFICATE FINANCING PROGRAM (2019) STATE OF NEW JERSEY

BOARD OF PUBLIC UTILITIES

STIPULATION OF SETTLEMENT

**BPU DOCKET NO. ER19060697** 

## **APPEARANCES:**

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Peter Van Brunt, Deputy Attorney General, on behalf of the Staff of the New Jersey Board of Public Utilities (Gurbir S. Grewal, Attorney General of New Jersey); and

Felicia Thomas-Friel, Esq., Deputy Rate Counsel, and Sarah Steindel, Esq., Assistant Deputy Rate Counsel, on behalf of the New Jersey Division of Rate Counsel (Stefanie A. Brand, Esq., Director).

This Stipulation of Settlement ("Stipulation") is hereby made and executed as of this 22nd day of January, 2020, by and among Atlantic City Electric Company ("ACE" or the "Company"), the Staff of the New Jersey Board of Public Utilities ("Board Staff" or "Staff"), and the New Jersey Division of Rate Counsel ("Rate Counsel") (individually, a "Party" and collectively, "Parties"), in settlement of all factual and legal issues pertaining to the above captioned Verified Petition and SREC Financing Program Update ("2019 SREC I Petition") filed by the Company on or about June 3, 2019 under BPU Docket No. ER19060697. The 2019 SREC I Petition was filed in response to the New Jersey Board of Public Utilities' ("Board" or "BPU") Orders dated March 27, 2009 and September 16, 2009 issued under BPU Docket No. EO08100875 ("Orders").

## **BACKGROUND**

By Order dated August 7, 2008, the Board directed Jersey Central Power & Light Company ("JCP&L") and ACE to file, by September 30, 2008, a solar financing program based on Solar Renewable Energy Certificates ("SRECs"), utilizing and incorporating certain mandatory design and filing requirements. ("August 2008 Order"). On October 1, 2008, ACE filed a proposed SREC financing program in connection with BPU Docket No. EO08100875. ("SREC Financing Program"). ACE, JCP&L, Board Staff, Rate Counsel, and the Solar Alliance ("SA") considered the ACE and JCP&L filings in the course of 11 settlement meetings held between February and March 2009. Over the course of those settlement discussions, the ACE and JCP&L proposals were incorporated into a single SREC Financing Program, which included a cost recovery mechanism and incentives. ACE, JCP&L, Staff, and SA executed a stipulation of settlement on March 13, 2009 ("2009 Stipulation"). Rate Counsel was also a signatory to the 2009 Stipulation but reserved its right to contest three specific issues. By Order dated March 27, 2009, the Board approved the 2009 Stipulation and decided the contested issues ("March 2009 Order"). On May 8, 2009, Rate Counsel filed a Notice of Appeal with the Superior Court of New Jersey, Appellate Division regarding the additional recoveries portion of the contested issues. On July 29, 2009, ACE, JCP&L, the Board, and Rate Counsel entered into a further Stipulation of Settlement ("Stipulation on Appeal") with respect to the contested issues. By Order dated September 16, 2009, the Board modified its March 2009 Order to reflect the terms of the Stipulation on Appeal. Rate Counsel withdrew its appeal on September 23, 2009. The Order required that ACE's Regional Greenhouse Gas Initiative Recovery Charge ("Rider RGGI") charge for the initial year be set at zero.

On or about April 12, 2012, ACE filed a Verified Petition seeking a Board Order authorizing ACE to implement recovery of the costs associated with the SREC Financing

Program from the commencement of the program through March 31, 2012, pursuant to the cost recovery mechanism approved in the March 27, 2009 and September 16, 2009 Board Orders ("April 2012 SREC Petition"). That proceeding was docketed as BPU Docket No. EO12040312. Additionally, ACE sought amendments to the Company's Rider RGGI associated with that program.

By Petition dated March 21, 2013, ACE sought authorization to implement recovery of the costs associated with the SREC Financing Program and updated the April 2012 SREC Petition in BPU Docket No. EO13030241.<sup>1</sup> ("March 2013 SREC Petition"). By stipulation dated on or about December 3, 2013, the Parties recommended to the Board that the Company's April 2012 SREC Petition, as updated by the Company's March 2013 SREC Petition, be approved. ("2013 SREC Stipulation"). By Order dated December 18, 2013, the Board approved the 2013 SREC Stipulation, which established an SREC Financing Program component of the Rider RGGI charge of \$0.000610 per kWh, inclusive of Sales and Use Tax ("SUT").

On or about May 1, 2015, the Company sought to update its SREC Financing Program's costs and increase the level of the SREC Financing Program component of the Rider RGGI charge. ("2015 SREC Petition"). By stipulation executed by the Parties on October 29, 2015, the Parties resolved all issues associated with the 2015 SREC Petition and submitted the 2015 SREC Stipulation to the Board for its consideration and approval. ("2015 SREC Stipulation"). By Order dated November 16, 2015, the Board approved the 2015 SREC Stipulation, which established the SREC Financing Program component of the Rider RGGI charge of \$0.000824 per kWh, inclusive of SUT.

<sup>1</sup> As of the date of the March 2013 SREC Petition, the Board had not acted upon the April 2012 SREC Petition.

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By Petition dated May 6, 2016 the Company sought to further adjust its Rider RGGI charge associated with this program ("2016 SREC Petition"). The requested adjustment was for a decrease in the charge from \$0.000824 per kWh to \$0.000577 per kWh, inclusive of SUT. The Board assigned BPU Docket No. ER16050402 to the 2016 SREC Petition, and by Order dated November 30, 2016, approved a stipulation of the Parties dated November 7, 2016, recommending the reduction in the Rider RGGI charge noted above ("November 2016 Order"). The November 2016 Order also modified the methodology utilized by the Company for forecasting future sales prices. This had the effect of further reducing the program's Rider RGGI charge to \$0.000567 per kWh, inclusive of SUT, which Rider RGGI charge was further adjusted to reflect a change in the applicable SUT to \$0.000566 per kWh.

By Petition dated April 6, 2017, the Company sought to further adjust its Rider RGGI charge associated with this program ("2017 SREC Petition"). The requested adjustment was a decrease in the SREC Financing Program component of the Company's Rider RGGI charge from \$0.000566 per kWh, inclusive of SUT, to \$0.000387 per kWh, also inclusive of SUT. The Company updated actual program costs through June 30, 2017, which had the effect of increasing the SREC charge requested by the Company's 2017 SREC Petition to \$0.000392 per kWh. Notwithstanding, the updated SREC charge remained a decrease from the then current rate. The Board assigned BPU Docket No. ER17040357 to the 2017 SREC Petition, and by Order dated September 22, 2017, the Board approved a stipulation of the Parties dated August 16, 2017, which recommended that the SREC Financing Program component of the Rider RGGI rate be set at \$0.000392 per kWh<sup>2</sup>, inclusive of SUT.

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Based upon the reduction in the New Jersey SUT that became effective on and after January 1, 2018, the SREC rate component of the Rider RGGI charge was reduced from \$0.000392 to \$0.000391 per kWh.

By Petition dated May 17, 2018, the Company sought to further adjust the Rider RGGI charge associated with this program.<sup>3</sup> ("2018 SREC Petition"). The 2018 SREC Petition requested that the Board authorize an increase in the Rider RGGI rate with respect to the SREC Financing Program from the current per kWh charge of \$0.000391 to \$0.000460, inclusive of SUT. Through the discovery process, the Company updated the data provided in the 2018 SREC Petition to include actual data through September 30, 2018. As a result of the update to the 2018 SREC Petition data, the proposed increase in the per kWh charge to the Rider RGGI rate for the SREC Financing Program component of the rate was reduced from \$0.000460 to \$0.000417, inclusive of SUT. The Board assigned BPU Docket No. ER18050543 to the 2018 SREC Petition, and by Order dated January 17, 2019, the Board approved a stipulation of the Parties dated December 27, 2018, which recommended that the SREC Financing Program component of the Rider RGGI charge be set at \$0.000417 per kWh, inclusive of SUT.

Finally, on or about June 3, 2019 the Company filed the 2019 SREC I Petition which sought to further adjust the Rider RGGI charge associated with the program. Based upon actual data through April 2019 and forecasted data from May 2019 through August 2020 that was provided with the 2019 SREC I Petition, the Company proposed a reduction in the Rider RGGI charge associated with the program from \$0.000417 to \$0.000337 per kWh, inclusive of SUT. Because the 2019 SREC I Petition proposed a decrease in the Rider RGGI charge associated with the program, no public hearings were deemed to be required and none were held. Subsequent to the filing of the 2019 SREC I Petition, Staff and Rate Counsel submitted discovery requests. The Company provided timely responses. As a result of ACE's discovery responses, which included

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> Subsequent to the filing of the 2018 SREC Petition, the Company, at the Board's direction, filed a separate Petition to reconcile the costs and revenues and set the 2019 Administrative Fee for what has been referred to as the SREC II program. The SREC II program is distinct from the SREC I program that is the subject of the 2018 SREC Petition.

updated actual data through June 30, 2019, the Company was able to propose a further reduction in the Rider RGGI charge for the SREC I program from \$0.000337 to \$0.000334 per kWh, inclusive of SUT.

## **STIPULATION**

The Parties to this Stipulation HEREBY STIPULATE AND AGREE to the following findings, conclusions, and determinations for purposes of a full, final, and complete resolution of the issues raised in the 2019 SREC I Petition.

- 1. The Parties agree that the actual SREC Financing Program costs incurred through June 30, 2019, as shown in the Updated **Exhibit B** to the 2019 SREC I Petition, a copy of which is attached hereto as **Attachment 1**, have been reviewed and deemed prudent and reasonable by the Parties. Actual costs incurred after that date are subject to review for reasonableness and prudence in a future proceeding.
- 2. The Parties agree that the proposed SREC Financing Program component of the Rider RGGI charge should be set at \$0.000334 per kWh, inclusive of SUT, resulting in a rate decrease on a typical residential customer using 679 kWh per month of \$0.06 or a 0.05 percent decrease from the rate currently in effect, and that such decrease is consistent with the terms and conditions of the Board's Orders, and therefore should be approved by the Board. The charge of \$0.000334 per kWh, inclusive of SUT, is based on an annual revenue requirement of \$2,727,150 as shown in **Attachment 1** hereto. This revenue requirement reflects actual results through June 30, 2019 and projected results through August 31, 2020 and includes a) a projected revenue requirement of \$2,948,518 for the forecasted period of September 2019 through August 2020; b) a deferred

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> The annual revenue requirement includes ACE's portion of NERA's auction costs, as well as the Company's authorized SREC transaction fees.

balance through August 31, 2019 of (\$221,149); and c) interest from January 1, 2019 through August 31, 2019 of (\$219). The charge of \$0.000334 per kWh, inclusive of SUT, also incorporates the methodology that utilizes the average of the three (3) most recent actual SREC auction prices.

- 3. The Company will submit updated tariff sheets within five (5) business days of the effective date of the Board's Order in this docket conforming to the agreed upon rates and terms set forth in the above paragraphs or on such other schedule as the Board shall determine. The proposed tariff sheets are attached as **Attachment 2**.
- 4. The Parties acknowledge and agree that adoption by the Board of this Stipulation fully resolves the 2019 SREC I Petition.

## SETTLEMENT IMPLEMENTATION

5. The Parties hereby request that this Stipulation be considered by the Board at its first available agenda meeting following execution hereof by the Parties, and that the change in the Company's Rider RGGI charge applicable to the SREC Financing Program as proposed in the 2019 SREC I Petition, as updated, be made effective for customer bills rendered on and after the first day of the calendar month following the effective date of the Board's approval, consistent with N.J.S.A. 48:2-20.

## **CONCLUSION**

6. The Parties agree that this Stipulation contains mutual balancing and interdependent clauses and is intended to be accepted and approved in its entirety. In the event any particular provision of this Stipulation is not accepted and approved in its entirety by the Board or is modified by a court of competent jurisdiction, then any Party aggrieved thereby shall not be bound to proceed with this Stipulation and shall have the right, upon written notice, to be provided to all other Parties within ten (10) days after receipt of any such adverse decision, to litigate all

issues addressed herein to a conclusion. More particularly, in the event this Stipulation is not adopted in its entirety by the Board in an appropriate Order, or is modified by a court of competent jurisdiction, then any Party hereto is free, upon the timely provision of such written notice, to pursue its then available legal remedies with respect to all issues addressed in this Stipulation, as though this Stipulation had not been signed.

- 7. The Parties agree that this Stipulation shall be binding on them for all purposes herein.
- 8. It is specifically understood and agreed that this Stipulation represents a negotiated agreement and, except as otherwise expressly provided for herein:
  - a. by executing this Stipulation, no Party waives any rights it possesses under any prior Stipulation, except where the terms of this Stipulation supersede such prior Stipulation; and
  - b. the contents of this Stipulation shall not in any way be considered, cited or used by any of the Parties as an indication of any Party's position on any related or other issue litigated in any other proceeding or forum, except to enforce the terms of this Stipulation.
- 9. It is specifically understood and agreed that this Stipulation represents a negotiated agreement and has been made exclusively for the purpose of this proceeding. Except as expressly provided herein, the Parties shall not be deemed to have approved, agreed to or consented to any principle or methodology underlying or supposed to underlie any agreement provided herein in total or by specific item. The Parties further agree that this Stipulation is in no way binding upon them in any other proceeding, except to enforce the terms of this Stipulation.

10. This Stipulation may be executed in any number of counterparts, each of which shall be considered one and the same agreement and shall become effective when one or more counterparts have been signed by each of the Parties.

WHEREFORE, the Parties hereto have duly executed and do respectfully submit this Stipulation to the Board and recommend that the Board issue a Final Decision and Order adopting and approving this Stipulation in its entirety in accordance with the terms hereof.

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Dated: January 22, 2020

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# Attachment 1

## ATLANTIC CITY ELECTRIC COMPANY

RGGI Recovery Charge

Solar Renewable Energy Credit (SREC) Financing Program

## SECTION I FORECASTED YEAR RECOVERY SCHEDULE

## Table 1 - Forecasted Program Year Monthly Delivered Sales (MWH)

Cont 10	1 004 004
Sept-19	1,004,001
Oct-19	639,684
Nov-19	618,179
Dec-19	681,029
Jan-20	739,011
Feb-20	706,602
Mar-20	673,851
Apr-20	576,135
May-20	552,954
Jun-20	683,808
Jul-20	893,892
Aug-20	984,458
	8,753,605

## Table 2 - SREC Forecasted Program Year Revenue Requirement

(1)		(2)		(3)		(4)		(5)		(6) = Col 3 +Col 4+ +Col 5 - Col 2
		Auction								
		Revenue		Transaction Fees		SREC	Adı	ministrative		Revenue
Month	(inclu	ıding collateral)		Uncollected	_	Purchases		Costs	F	Requirement
Sept-19	Φ.	_	Φ.	_	Φ.	_	<b>\$</b>	6,743	\$	6,743
Oct-19	Φ	1,434,718	Φ	146,180	Φ	2,323,024	Φ	6,743	\$	1,041,229
Nov-19	Φ Φ	1,434,710	Φ	140, 100	Φ	2,323,024	Φ	6,743	Ф \$	6,743
	Φ	040.742	φ	05.004	Φ	-	Φ			,
Dec-19	Ф	840,743	Ф	85,661	Ф		Ф	6,743	\$	(748,339)
Jan-20	\$	-	\$	-	\$	1,371,431	\$	6,743	\$	1,378,174
Feb-20	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	\$	6,743	\$	6,743
Mar-20	\$	563,156	\$	57,379	\$	-	\$	6,743	\$	(499,035)
Apr-20	\$	-	\$	-	\$	912,715	\$	6,743	\$	919,458
May-20	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	\$	6,743	\$	6,743
Jun-20	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	\$	6,743	\$	6,743
Jul-20	\$	1,160,678	\$	118,259	\$	1,852,249	\$	6,743	\$	816,572
Aug-20	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	\$	6,743	\$	6,743
_	\$	3 999 296	\$	407 478	\$	6 459 420	\$	80 916	\$	2 948 518

(Updated for Actuals through June 2019)

## Table 3 - SREC Prior Year Monthly Over/Under Recovered Balances

(1)		(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8) = Col 2 - Col 3 +Col 4 +	(9)	(10)	(11)	(12) =Col 11 x (1-	(13)	(14)
								Col 5 - Col 6 - Col 7			= (Col 9 + Col 10)/2	Composite Tax		= Col 12 x Col 13/12
Month	(incl	Auction Revenue luding collateral)	Transaction Fees Uncollected	SREC Rate Revenue	Transaction Fees Collected	SREC Purchases	Administrative Costs	Over/(Under) Recovery	Over/(Under) Recovery Beginning Monthly Balance	Over/(Under) Recovery Ending Monthly Balance	Avg Monthly Balance	Net of Tax Avg Monthly Balance	2yr. constant Maturity Treasury + 60 B.P.	Interest
Jul-18	\$	1,263,000 \$	135,856	\$ 291,334	\$ 46,348	\$ 1,794,679 \$	14,308 \$	(344,162)	\$ (12,565)	\$ (356,728)	\$ (184,647)	S (132,742)	3.17%	\$ (351)
Aug-18	\$	- \$	- 9	325,482			3,378 \$	373,925					3.27%	
Sep-18	\$	- \$	- (	\$ 319,582	\$ 50,872	\$ - \$	3,386 \$	367,068	\$ 17,197	\$ 384,265	\$ 200,731 \$	144,306	3.26%	
Oct-18	\$	1,430,360 \$	146,925	\$ 236,764			4,510 \$	(781,552)		\$ (397,287)			3.42%	
Nov-18	\$	- \$	- 9	\$ 201,915			7,602 \$	226,417	\$ (397,287)		\$ (284,078)	(204,224)	3.44%	,
Dec-18	\$	593,709 \$	61,241	\$ 214,497	\$ 34,090		9,249 \$	771,805	\$ (170,870)				3.43%	
Jan-19	\$	- \$	- 5	\$ 236,571			4,739 \$	(1,108,852)					3.10%	
Feb-19	\$	- \$	- 5	\$ 227,116		·	3,465 \$	251,043	\$ (511,125)		,	•	3.12%	,
Mar-19	\$	598,377 \$	59,028	\$ 229,525			5,489 \$	789,849	\$ (260,083)				3.15%	
Apr-19	\$	- \$	- 5	201,000			8,905 \$	(711,761)		\$ (181,995)			2.93%	
May-19	\$	- \$	- 5	201,021	\$ 23,923		4,221 \$	227,029	\$ (181,995)		,		2.91%	
Jun-19	\$	- \$	- 5	\$ 245,569	\$ 28,299	-	5,412 \$	268,457		\$ 313,491	\$ 179,263		2.42%	
Jul-19	\$	1,166,665 \$	118,869	\$ 313,269	\$ 36,127	\$ 1,861,802 \$	6,743 \$	(471,354)		\$ (157,863)			2.42%	
Aug-19	\$	- \$	- 3	\$ 345,869	\$ 39,886	\$ - \$	6,743 \$	379,012	\$ (157,863)	\$ 221,149	\$ 31,643 \$	22,748	2.42%	\$ 46

## Notes

## SECTION II RGGI RECOVERY CHARGE (SREC COMPONENT) CALCULATION

Forecasted Revenue Requirement (Sep19-Aug20)	\$	2,948,518
SREC Deferred Balance Over Recovery - Aug. 31, 2019	\$	(221,149)
Interest (Jan 19 - Aug 19)	_ \$	(219)
Total Revenue Requirement to be Recovered	\$	2,727,150
Retail Sales - kwh	8,	753,605,271
\$/KWH Surcharge	\$	0.000312
BPU Assessment	\$	0.000001
\$/KWH Surcharge with SUT	\$	0.000334

<sup>1.)</sup> Actuals Jul. 18 - Jun. 19, Forecasted Jul. 19 - Aug. 19.

## ATLANTIC CITY ELECTRIC COMPANY

Computation of NJ Tax Factors As of March 1, 2019

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Line No.	Description		Statutory Tax Rate	
1	BPU Assessment		0.286%	
2	NJ Income Tax Rate		9.000%	
3	Federal Income Tax Rate		21.00%	
Line No.	Description	Computation	Total Tax Factor	Income Tax Factor
4	BPU Assessment	line 1	0.2860%	0.0000%
5	NJ Income Tax Factor	(100%-line 1) x line 2	8.9743%	9.0000%
6	Federal Income Tax Factor	(100% - (line 4 + line 5)) x line 3	19.0553%	19.1100%
7	Composite Tax Factor	line 4 + line 5 + line 6	28.3156%	28.1100%
8	Complement of Composite Tax Factor	100% - (line 4 + line 5 + line 6)	71.6844%	71.8900%
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## ATLANTIC CITY ELECTRIC COMPANY

RGGI Recovery Charge Solar Renewable Energy Credit (SREC) Financing Program New Jersey Deferral Calculation Interest Rates

## (1) (2) Rate on 1st of Current Month

2vr. constant

<u>Date</u>	maturity Treasury	<u>+ 60 bp</u>	Interest Rate
Jul-18	2.57	% 0.60%	3.17%
Aug-18	2.67	% 0.60%	3.27%
Sep-18	2.66	% 0.60%	3.26%
Oct-18	2.82	% 0.60%	3.42%
Nov-18	2.84	% 0.60%	3.44%
Dec-18	2.83	% 0.60%	3.43%
Jan-19	2.50	% 0.60%	3.10%
Feb-19	2.52	% 0.60%	3.12%
Mar-19	2.55	% 0.60%	3.15%
Apr-19	2.33	% 0.60%	2.93%
May-19	2.31	% 0.60%	2.91%
Jun-19	1.82	% 0.60%	2.42%

# Attachment 2

## ATLANTIC CITY ELECTRIC COMPANY BPU NJ No. 11 Electric Service - Section IV Revised Sheet Replaces Revised Sheet No. 64

#### RIDER RGGI

## **Regional Greenhouse Gas Initiative Recovery Charge**

A. Applicability

This Rider is applicable to Rate Schedules RS, MGS Secondary, MGS Primary, AGS Secondary, AGS Primary, TGS, DDC, SPL and CSL. Amounts billed to customers shall include a charge to reflect regional greenhouse gas initiative program costs. Except where indicated otherwise, Rider "RGGI" will be determined annually based on projections of program costs (including an adjustment for variances between budgeted and actual prior year expenditures) and forecasts of kilowatt hour sales. The charge (in dollars per kilowatt hour) will be computed by dividing the total annual amount to be recovered for by forecasted retail sales (in kilowatt hours).

## **RGGI Programs**

Residential Controllable Smart Thermostat Program (RCSTP) (\$/kWh) \$0.000000 This charge component is intended to recover costs associated with the Residential Controllable Smart Thermostat Demand Response Program.

Solar Renewable Energy Certificate (SREC) (\$/kWh)

\$0.000334

This charge component is intended to recover net costs associated with the Solar Renewable Energy Certificate Program.

Solar Renewable Energy Certificate (SREC II) (\$/kWh)

\$0.000000

This charge component is intended to recover net costs associated with the Solar Renewable Energy Certificate II Program.

Date of Issue:	Effective Date:

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## ATLANTIC CITY ELECTRIC COMPANY

BPU NJ No. 11 Electric Service - Section IV Sixteenth Revised Sheet Replaces Fifteenth Revised Sheet No. 64

#### RIDER RGGI

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\$0.000000

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