

NOTICE TO SOUTH JERSEY GAS COMPANY CUSTOMERS

**IN THE MATTER OF THE PETITION OF SOUTH JERSEY GAS COMPANY
FOR APPROVAL TO REVISE THE COST RECOVERY CHARGE ASSOCIATED
WITH ENERGY EFFICIENCY PROGRAMS (“EET CHARGE”)**

BPU DOCKET NO. GR23070474

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that, on July 31, 2023, South Jersey Gas Company (“South Jersey” or “Company”) filed a petition (“Petition”) with the New Jersey Board of Public Utilities (“Board” or “BPU”) requesting to increase its Energy Efficiency Tracker (“EET”) charge by October 1, 2023 and to continue to recover costs associated with its Energy Efficiency Programs (“EETPs”). South Jersey also requests Board approval to earn a return on its investments associated with its EETPs. The EETPs provide participating customers with incentives and rebates to reduce their natural gas consumption. South Jersey proposes to recover the costs of its EETPs through its EET which will operate consistent with the Board-approved tracker mechanism.

The Company proposes to increase its EET charge to \$0.041990 per therm, including Sales and Use Tax (“SUT”), in order to recover a total revenue requirement of \$22.0 million (excluding SUT) for the period October 1, 2023 through September 30, 2024. The proposed EET charge would be applied to all customer classes. The impact of this increase on the monthly bill of a typical residential heating customer using 100 therms per month is an increase of \$1.46 or 0.8% based on rates in effect November 1, 2023. Approval of the filing would impact charges for a typical customer with usage as follows:

BILL IMPACTS

Residential Heating Service (RSG)

Monthly Usage (Therms)	Monthly Bill as of November 1, 2023	Proposed	Dollar Increase	Percent Increase
25	\$53.18	\$53.55	\$0.37	0.7%
100	\$181.24	\$182.70	\$1.46	0.8%
200	\$351.98	\$354.90	\$2.92	0.8%

General Service (GSG) (Using less than 5,000 therms per year)

Monthly usage (Therms)	Monthly Bill as of November 1, 2023	Proposed	Dollar Increase	Percent Increase
500	\$788.54	\$795.84	\$7.30	0.9%
1,000	\$1,536.57	\$1,551.18	\$14.61	1.0%
2,000	\$3,032.65	\$3,061.86	\$29.21	1.0%

Pursuant to N.J.S.A 28:2-21, the Board may set South Jersey's EET charge at levels it finds just and reasonable and establish the effective date of such rates. Therefore, the Board may establish the rates at levels and/or an effective date other than those proposed by South Jersey.

Any assistance required by customers in ascertaining the impact of the proposed rate increase will be provided by the Company upon request.

A copy of the Petition can be reviewed on the Company's website at www.southjerseygas.com under "regulatory information." The Petition is also available to review online on the Board's website at <https://publicaccess.bpu.state.nj.us> where you can search by the above-captioned docket number. In addition, the Petition and Board file may be reviewed at the Board located at 44 South Clinton Avenue, 1st Floor, Trenton, NJ, by appointment. To make an appointment, please call (609) 913-6298.

PLEASE TAKE FURTHER NOTICE that virtual public hearings will be conducted on the following date and times so that members of the public may present their views on the Petition:

Date: December 5, 2023

Hearing Times: 4:30 p.m. and 5:30 p.m.

Microsoft Teams Meeting ID: 265 791 718 009

Passcode: wpVL3G

(Access the Microsoft Teams App or Microsoft Teams on the web. On the left side of the screen, click the "Teams" icon. Select "Join or 'create a team". Press "Join" and enter the Meeting ID and Passcode when prompted.)

or

Dial In: 1-609-594-2077

Conference ID: 483 065 667 followed by #

A copy of this Notice is being served upon the clerk, executive or administrator of each municipality and county within the Company's service territory.

Representatives of the Company, Board Staff and the New Jersey Division Rate Counsel will participate in the virtual public hearings. Members of the public are invited to participate by utilizing Meeting ID or the Dial-In Number set forth above and may express their views on this Petition. All comments will be made part of the final record to be considered by the Board. In order to encourage full participation in this opportunity for public comment, please submit any requests for needed accommodations, such as interpreters, or listening assistance, 48 hours prior to the above hearing to the Board Secretary at board.secretary@bpu.nj.gov.

The Board is also accepting written and electronic comments. Comments may be submitted directly to the specific docket listed above using the "Post Comments" button on the Board's Public Document Search tool at <https://publicaccess.bpu.state.nj.us/>. Comments are considered

public documents for purposes of the State's Open Public Records Act. Only documents that are intended to be public should be submitted using the "Post Comments" button on the Board's Public Document Search tool. Any confidential information should be submitted in accordance with the procedures set forth in N.J.A.C. 14:1-12.3. In addition to hard copy submissions, confidential information may also be filed electronically via the Board's e-filing system or by email to the Secretary of the Board, Sherri L. Golden. Please include "Confidential Information" in the subject line of any email. Instructions for confidential e-filing are found on the Board's webpage at <https://www.nj.gov/bpu/agenda/efiling/>.

Emailed and/or written comments may also be submitted to:

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