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STATE OF NEW JERSEY
Board of Public Utilities
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CUSTOMER ASSISTANCE

SAMUEL McLEAN,
PETITIONER,

V.

PUBLIC SERVICE ELECTRIC AND GAS
COMPANY,
RESPONDENT

) ORDER ADOPTING INITIAL DECISION
) SETTLEMENT
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BPU DOCKET NO. GC07030161U
OAL DOCKET NO. PUC 4598-07

(SERVICE LIST ATTACHED)

BY THE BOARD:

On March 7, 2007, Samuel McLean (Petitioner) filed a petition with the Board requesting a hearing regarding charges of Public Service Electric and Gas Company (Respondent) for utility services provided at 3816 Westfield Avenue, Camden, New Jersey.

After the filing of Respondent's answer, the Board transmitted this matter to the Office of Administrative Law (OAL) on May 30, 2007, for hearing and initial disposition as a contested case pursuant to N.J.S.A. 52:14B-1 et seq. and N.J.S.A. 52:14F-1 et seq. The matter was assigned to Administrative Law Judge (ALJ) Donald J. Stein.

While this matter was pending at the OAL, the parties engaged in negotiations and reached a settlement that was submitted to the ALJ. By Initial Decision issued on December 18, 2007 and submitted to the Board on January 8, 2008, to which a Stipulation of Settlement (Stipulation) was attached and made part thereof, ALJ Stein found that the Stipulation was voluntary, that its terms fully disposed of all issues in controversy and that it met the requirements of N.J.A.C. 1:1-19.1.

Pursuant to the Stipulation, Respondent agreed to issue a credit to Petitioner's account in the amount of \$6,742.02, as well as a credit of late payment charges totaling \$3,461.82, resulting in a total credit of \$10,203.84. Petitioner agreed to make payment of the balance due of \$2,661.31 and the current bill of \$120.00 on or before December 12, 2007.

After review and consideration, the Board FINDS that the terms of the settlement are fair and reasonable. Therefore, the Board HEREBY ADOPTS the Initial Decision and the Settlement Agreement in their entirety, incorporating the terms thereof into this final decision as if fully set forth at length herein.

DATED: 2/4/08

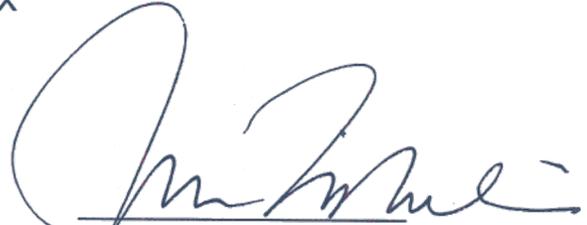
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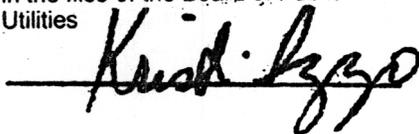
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INITIAL DECISION

SETTLEMENT

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PUBLIC SERVICE ELECTRIC

AND GAS COMPANY,

Respondent.

Samuel McLean, petitioner, pro se

Sheree L. Kelly, Esq., for respondent

Record Closed: December 17, 2007

Decided: December 18, 2007

BEFORE DONALD J. STEIN, ALJ:

This matter was transmitted to the Office of Administrative Law on June 21, 2007, for determination as a contested case, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 52:14B-1 to -15 and N.J.S.A. 52:14F-1 to -13.

The parties have agreed to a settlement and have prepared a Stipulation of Settlement indicating the terms thereof, which is attached and fully incorporated herein.

have reviewed the record and the terms of settlement and I **FIND**:

1. The parties have voluntarily agreed to the settlement as evidenced by their signatures or their representatives' signatures.
2. The settlement fully disposes of all issues in controversy and is consistent with the law.

I **CONCLUDE** that this agreement meets the requirements of N.J.A.C. 1:1-19.1 and that the settlement should be approved. I approve the settlement and, therefore, **ORDER** that the parties comply with the settlement terms and that these proceedings be concluded.

I hereby **FILE** my initial decision with the **BOARD OF PUBLIC UTILITIES** for consideration.

This recommended decision may be adopted, modified or rejected by the **BOARD OF PUBLIC UTILITIES** which, by law, is authorized to make a final decision in this matter. If the Board of Public Utilities does not adopt, modify or reject this decision within forty-five days and unless such time limit is otherwise extended, this recommended decision shall become a final decision in accordance with N.J.S.A. 52:14B-10.

December 18, 2007
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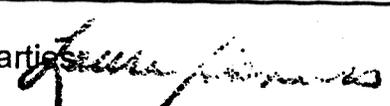


DONALD J. STEIN, ALJ

Date Received at Agency:

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STIPULATION OF SETTLEMENT

This matter having been brought before the New Jersey Board of Public Utilities by the Petitioner, Samuel McLean ("Petitioner"), against Respondent Public Service Electric and Gas Company ("PSE&G" or "Respondent") and transferred to the Office of Administrative Law before the Honorable Donald J. Stein, A.L.J., for utility service rendered by PSE&G to the Petitioner at 3816 Westfield Avenue, Camden, New Jersey 08105, and the Parties having agreed to settle this matter, hereby set forth the terms and conditions of their settlement agreement as follows:

1. PSE&G will credit Petitioner's account number 61 350 200 9 9 in the amount of \$6,742.02 in the subject account.
2. PSE&G also credits Petitioner's account number 61 350 200 9 9 of late payment charges totaling \$3,461.82, which makes the total credit \$10,203.84.
3. Petitioner's balance due is \$2,661.31 and current \$120.00 by December 12, 2007.

Petitioner Samuel McLean

Respondent PSE&G

By: Samuel McLean
Samuel McLean

By: Edward B. Sullivan
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Manager Customer Operations

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A copy of the administrative law judge's
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