



STATE OF NEW JERSEY
Board of Public Utilities
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NOTICE OF MEETING¹

Pursuant to the Open Public Meetings Act notice is hereby provided that the Board of Public Utilities will hold a meeting on Wednesday, September 27, 2023 at 10:00 a.m.

The meeting is in person and will be held at the Board Hearing Room, 1st Floor, 44 South Clinton Avenue, Trenton, at which time and place formal action may be taken on all items identified below.

The meeting is also available to Watch Online:
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=zn7YnursqyM>

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.

4. TELECOMMUNICATIONS

- A. Docket No. TO23030128 – In the Matter of the Request for Quotation (RFQ) for the Provision of Telecommunications Relay Service (TRS).

The Board will consider a request by Board Staff ("Staff") for approval of an extension of the existing contract for the provisioning of Telecommunications Relay Services ("TRS") in New Jersey.

8. CLEAN ENERGY

- A. Docket No. QO23070426 – In the Matter of the Request for Quotation for the 2024 Energy Master Plan.

The Board will consider releasing a Request for Quotation to solicit bids to provide assistance with the development of the 2024 Energy Master Plan.

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Executive Session (Cont'd)

8. CLEAN ENERGY (CONT'D)

- F. Docket No. QO23090671 – In the Matter of Ocean Wind LLC Compliance Filing Pursuant to P.L. 2023, c. 99.

The Board will consider approval of an Escrow Agreement with TD Bank National Association and Ocean Wind LLC pursuant to P.L. 2023, c. 99.



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CONSENT AGENDA FOR BOARD MEETING
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I. AUDITS

NO ITEMS FOR CONSIDERATION

II. ENERGY

NO ITEMS FOR CONSIDERATION

III. CABLE TELEVISION

- A.** Docket No. CE22100626 – In the Matter of the Petition of Comcast of Garden State L.P. for a Renewal Certificate of Approval to Continue to Construct, Operate and Maintain a Cable Television System in and for the Borough of Runnemede, County of Camden, State of New Jersey.

The Board will consider a request for the Automatic Renewal of Comcast of Garden State L.P.'s Certificate of Approval to provide cable television service to the Borough of Runnemede for a 10 year term.

- B.** Docket No. CE22060380 – 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 Sea Bright, County of Monmouth, State of New Jersey.

The Board will consider a request for the Renewal of Comcast of Monmouth County, LLC's Certificate of Approval to provide cable television service to the Borough of Sea Bright for a 10 year term.

III. CABLE TELEVISION (CONT'D)

- C. Docket No. CE22020109 – In the Matter of the Application of CSC TKR, LLC for Renewal of a Certificate of Approval to Continue to Operate and Maintain a Cable System in the Township of Frelinghuysen, County of Warren, State of New Jersey.

The Board will consider a request for the Renewal of CSC TKR, LLC's Certificate of Approval to provide cable television service to the Township of Frelinghuysen for a 10 year term.

IV. TELECOMMUNICATIONS

NO ITEMS FOR CONSIDERATION

V. WATER

- A. Docket Nos. BPU WR23050292 and OAL PUC 04736-2023 S – In the Matter of Middlesex Water Company for Approval of an Increase in its Rates for Water Service and Other Tariff Changes.

The Board will consider suspending the date to make a final determination regarding Middlesex Water Company's proposed rate change until February 15, 2024.

VI. RELIABILITY AND SECURITY

- A. Docket Nos. CS23080596K, ES23080586K, ES23080587K, ES23080588K, ES23080589K, ES23080590K, ES23080591K, ES23080592K, ES23080593K, ES23080594K, ES23080595K, ES23080597K, ES23080598K, ES23080599K, ES23080600K, ES23080601K, ES23080602K, ES23080603K, ES23080604K, ES23080605K, ES23080606K, ES23080607K, ES23080608K, ES23080610K, and ES23080611K – In the Matter of Alleged Violations of the Underground Facility Protection Act, N.J.S.A. 48:2-73 et seq.

The Board will consider Offers of Settlement for alleged violations of the Underground Facility Protection Act, N.J.S.A. 48:2-73, et seq.

VII. CUSTOMER ASSISTANCE

NO ITEMS FOR CONSIDERATION

VIII. CLEAN ENERGY

NO ITEMS FOR CONSIDERATION

IX. MISCELLANEOUS

- A.** Approval for the December 7, 2022 Minutes;
Approval for the December 21, 2022 Minutes; and
Approval for the January 11, 2023 Minutes.



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1. AUDITS

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2. ENERGY

- A.** Docket No. ER23060409 – In the Matter of the 2023/2024 Annual Compliance Filings for the Universal Service Fund (“USF”) Program Factor Within the Societal Benefits Charge Rate Pursuant to N.J.S.A. 48:2-21 and N.J.S.A. 48:2-21.1.

The Board will consider a filing made by the electric and gas distribution companies requesting adjustments to its statewide electric and gas Universal Service Fund program and Lifeline program rates within the Societal Benefits Charge.

- B.** Docket No. GR23040207 – In the Matter of the Petition of New Jersey Natural Gas Company for Approval of a Base Rate Adjustment Pursuant to the Infrastructure Investment Program.

The Board will consider New Jersey Natural Gas Company’s petition seeking approval of a base rate adjustment pursuant to the Infrastructure Investment Program. The parties have executed a stipulation which, if approved by the Board, would result in a monthly bill increase of \$0.48 for an average residential customer using 100 therms per winter month.

2. ENERGY (CONT'D)

- C. Docket No. GO23060340 – In the Matter of the Petition of New Jersey Natural Gas Company for Approval of the Cost Recovery Associated with Energy Efficiency Programs.

The Board will consider New Jersey Natural Gas Company's 2023 Energy Efficiency rates. The parties have executed a stipulation which, if approved by the Board, would result in a monthly increase of \$1.29 for a typical residential heating customer using 100 therms per winter month.

- D. Docket No. GR23060331 – In the Matter of Public Service Electric and Gas Company's 2023/2024 Annual BGSS Commodity Charge Filing for its Residential Gas Customers Under its Periodic Pricing Mechanism and for Changes in its Balancing Charge.

The Board will consider Public Service Electric and Gas Company's 2023 Basic Gas Supply Service rates. The parties have executed a stipulation for provisional rates which, if approved by the Board, would result in a monthly decrease of \$13.17 for the typical residential heating customer using 172 therms per winter month.

- E. Docket No. GR23060332 – In the Matter of the Petition of Public Service Electric and Gas Company for Approval of Changes in its Gas Conservation Incentive Program (2023 PSE&G Gas Conservation Incentive Program).

The Board will consider Public Service Electric and Gas Company's 2023 Gas Conservation Incentive Program rates. The parties have executed a stipulation for provisional rates which, if approved by the Board, would result in a typical residential customer's annual gas bill increasing by approximately \$36.98.

- F. Docket No. GR23040269 – In the Matter of the Petition of South Jersey Gas Company for Approval of a Rate Adjustment Pursuant to the Infrastructure Investment Program ("IIP").

The Board will consider South Jersey Gas Company's 2023 Infrastructure Investment Program rates. The parties executed a stipulation which, if approved by the Board, would result in a monthly bill increase of \$1.15 for an average residential customer using 100 therms.

- G. Docket No. ER23050272 – In the Matter of the Petition of Atlantic City Electric Company for Approval of Rate Adjustments Pursuant to its Infrastructure Investment Program (05/2023).

The Board will consider Atlantic City Electric Company's May 2023 Infrastructure Investment Program rate filing. The parties executed a stipulation which, if approved by the Board, will result in a monthly increase of \$0.29 to the bill of an average residential customer.

2. ENERGY (CONT'D)

- H. Docket No. GR23040270 – In the Matter of the Petition of Elizabethtown Gas Company for Approval of a Rate Adjustment Pursuant to the Infrastructure Investment Program (“IIP”).

The Board will consider Elizabethtown Gas Company’s 2023 Infrastructure Investment Program rates. The parties executed a stipulation which, if approved by the Board will result in a monthly increase of \$1.58 for a typical residential customer.

3. CABLE TELEVISION

NO ITEMS FOR CONSIDERATION

4. TELECOMMUNICATIONS

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The Board will consider a request by Board Staff (“Staff”) for approval of an extension of the existing contract for the provisioning of Telecommunications Relay Services (“TRS”) in New Jersey.

- B. Docket No. TO23070454 – In the Matter of the Digital Equity Planning Grant Program, Pursuant to Section 60304(c) of the Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act, Public Law 117-58, 135 Stat. 429.

The Board will consider Staff’s recommendation to rescind the DEA NOFA.

5. WATER

NO ITEMS FOR CONSIDERATION

6. RELIABILITY AND SECURITY

- A. Docket No. GS23080564K – In the Matter of Alleged Violations of the Underground Facility Protection Act, N.J.S.A. 48:2-73 to 91 by Black Rock Enterprises, LLC.

The Board will consider the issuance of a Final Order of Penalty Assessment pursuant to N.J.A.C. 14:2-6.6 and N.J.A.C. 14:7-2.4 regarding a probable violation of the Underground Facility Protection Act, N.J.S.A. 48:2-73 to 91 by Black Rock Enterprises, LLC.

6. RELIABILITY AND SECURITY (CONT'D)

- B.** Docket No. GS23080563K – In the Matter of Alleged Violations of the Underground Facility Protection Act, N.J.S.A. 48:2-73 to 91 by Black Rock Enterprises, LLC.

The Board will consider the issuance of a Final Order of Penalty Assessment pursuant to N.J.A.C. 14:2-6.6 and N.J.A.C. 14:7-2.4 regarding a probable violation of the Underground Facility Protection Act, N.J.S.A. 48:2-73 to 91 by Black Rock Enterprises, LLC.

- C.** Docket No. GS23080562K – In the Matter of Alleged Violations of the Underground Facility Protection Act, N.J.S.A. 48:2-73 to 91 by Black Rock Enterprises, LLC.

The Board will consider the issuance of a Final Order of Penalty Assessment pursuant to N.J.A.C. 14:2-6.6 and N.J.A.C. 14:7-2.4 regarding a probable violation of the Underground Facility Protection Act, N.J.S.A. 48:2-73 to 91 by Black Rock Enterprises, LLC.

7. CUSTOMER ASSISTANCE

NO ITEMS FOR CONSIDERATION

8. CLEAN ENERGY

- A.** Docket No. QO23070426 – In the Matter of the Request for Quotation for the 2024 Energy Master Plan – **Executive Session.**

The Board will consider releasing a Request for Quotation to solicit bids to provide assistance with the development of the 2024 Energy Master Plan.

- B.** Docket No. QO19010040 – In the Matter of the Implementation of P.L. 2018, c. 17, the New Jersey Clean Energy Act of 2018, Regarding the Establishment of Energy Efficiency and Peak Demand Reduction Programs;

Docket No. QO23030150 – In the Matter of the Implementation of P.L. 2018, c. 17, the New Jersey Clean Energy Act of 2018, Regarding the Second Triennium of Energy Efficiency and Peak Demand Reduction Programs; and

Docket No. QO17091004 – In the Matter of Electric Public Utilities and Gas Public Utilities Offering Energy Efficiency and Conservation Programs, Investing in Class I Renewable Energy Resources and Offering Class I Renewable Energy Programs in Their Respective Service Territories on a Regulated Basis, Pursuant to N.J.S.A. 48:3-98.1 and N.J.S.A. 48:3-87.9 – Minimum Filing Requirements.

The Board will consider extending the submission deadline and designating presiding commissioners for Triennium 2 electric and gas public utility energy efficiency filings.

8. CLEAN ENERGY (CONT'D)

- C. Docket No. EO20110730 – In the Matter of the Petition of Rockland Electric Company for Approval of an Electric Vehicle Program, Establishment of an Electric Vehicle Surcharge, and for Other Relief;

Docket No. EO21030630 – In the Matter of the Verified Petition of Jersey Central Power & Light Company for Approval of an Electric Vehicle Program and an Associated Cost Recovery Mechanism;

Docket No. EO18020190 – In the Matter of the Petition of Atlantic City Electric Company for Approval of a Voluntary Program for Plug-In Vehicle Charging; and

Docket No. EO18101111 – In the Matter of the Petition of Public Service Electric and Gas Company for Approval of its Clean Energy Future-Electric Vehicle and Energy Storage (“CEF-EVES”) Program on a Regulated Basis.

The Board will consider modifying the eligibility timelines for Areas of Last Resort in the electric distribution company electric vehicle programs.

- D. Docket No. QO21020469 – Lacey Sand Solar Farm, LLC – Petition for Assignment of “Preferred” TREC Factor for Floating Photovoltaic Solar Pursuant to the Board's Transition Incentive Order.

The Board will consider the petition of Lacey Sand Solar Farm regarding the Transition Renewable Energy Certificate factor for its proposed floating solar array.

- E. Docket No. QO22080481 – In the Matter of the Opening of New Jersey's Third Solicitation for Offshore Wind Renewable Energy Certificates (OREC).

The Board will consider authorizing Board Staff to adjust the date for removing from consideration offshore wind projects that are contingent on the outcome of other states' offshore wind solicitations.

- F. Docket No. QO23090671 – In the Matter of Ocean Wind LLC Compliance Filing Pursuant to P.L. 2023, c. 99 – **Executive Session.**

The Board will consider approval of an Escrow Agreement with TD Bank National Association and Ocean Wind LLC pursuant to P.L. 2023, c. 99.

- G. Docket No. QO21101186 – In the Matter of the Competitive Solar Incentive (“CSI”) Program Pursuant to P.L. 2021, c. 169.

The Board will consider Staff's recommendation for the timing of the second CSI Program solicitation.

9. MISCELLANEOUS

NO ITEMS FOR CONSIDERATION

LATE STARTER A

WATER

Docket No. WE23030197 – In the Matter of the Petition of New Jersey Water Company, Inc. for Approval of a Municipal Consent Granted by the Borough of Somerville, County of Somerset Docket No. WE23030197

LATE STARTER B

WATER

Docket No. WE2040233 – In the Matter of the Petition of New Jersey-American Water Company, Inc. for Approval of a Municipal Consent Granted by the Township of Bridgewater, County of Somerset Docket No. WE23040233