



STATE OF NEW JERSEY
Board of Public Utilities
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IN THE MATTER OF ADENAH BAYOH)
PETITIONER, v. PUBLIC SERVICE ELECTRIC)
AND GAS COMPANY, RESPONDENT.)

ORDER ADOPTING
INITIAL DECISION

BPU Docket No. EC06060434U
OAL Docket No. PUC 9717-06

(SERVICE LIST ATTACHED)

BY THE BOARD:

On April 20, 2005, Adenah Bayoh (Petitioner) filed a petition with the Board of Public Utilities (Board) for a hearing in regard to a billing dispute with Public Service Electric and Gas Company (PSE&G) (Respondent). PSE&G filed an answer on May 18, 2005.

On August 25, 2006, the Board transmitted this matter to the Office of Administrative Law (OAL) for determination 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) Jeffrey A. Gerson.

During the pendency of this matter at the OAL, the parties engaged in negotiations and reached a settlement. The Stipulation of Settlement was submitted to the ALJ for review. On January 4, 2007, ALJ Gerson filed an Initial Decision with the Board, memorializing the terms of the Settlement and recommending that it be approved. The ALJ found the Settlement to be voluntary, consistent with the law and fully dispositive of all issues in controversy. The ALJ, therefore, concluded that the Settlement met the requirements of N.J.A.C. 1:1-19.1.

Under the terms of the Settlement, PSE&G agreed to reduce Petitioner's disputed billing amount to \$643.00. The Petitioner agreed to pay \$100.00 per month in addition to Petitioner's current monthly charges for six months.

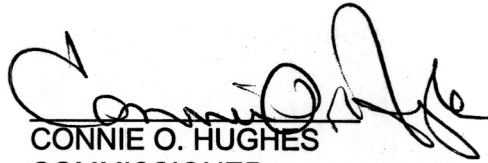
The Board FINDS that the terms of the Settlement are fair and reasonable. Therefore, the Board HEREBY ADOPTS the Initial Decision and Stipulation of Settlement in their entirety, incorporating the terms thereof into this final decision as if fully set forth at length herein.

DATED: 2/7/07

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BY:


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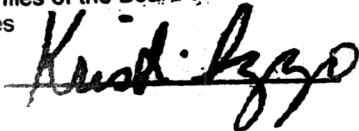

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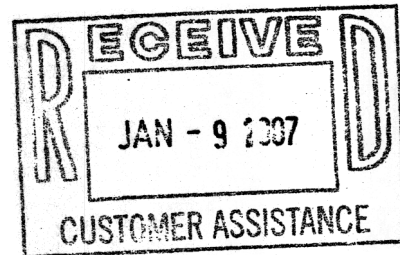
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Petitioner,

v.

**PUBLIC SERVICE ELECTRIC AND GAS
COMPANY,**

Respondent.



Adenah Bayoh, pro se

Thomas P. Thackston, Esq., for respondent, PSE&G

Record Closed: December 18, 2006

Decided: December 20, 2006

BEFORE JEFFREY A. GERSON, ALJ:

On September 11, 2006 this matter was transmitted to the Office of Administrative Law (OAL) for hearing as a contested case pursuant to N.J.S.A. 52:14B-1 to -15 and N.J.S.A. 52:14F1 to -13. The matter was scheduled for a settlement conference on December 18, 2006 and during that time the parties agreed to settle the matter. A Settlement Agreement indicating the terms of settlement was signed by the parties and is attached hereto.

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

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

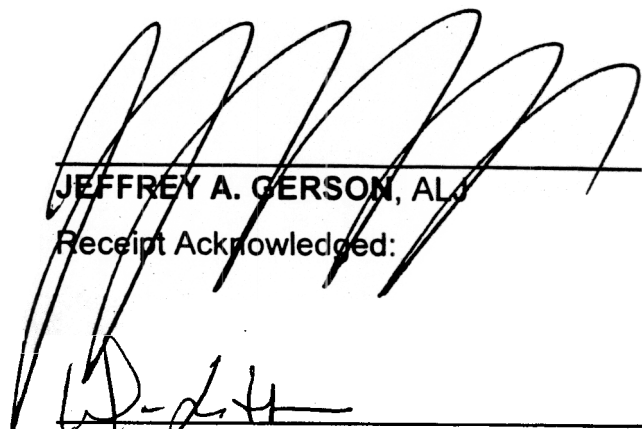
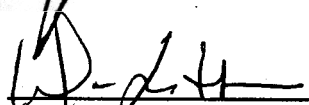
I **CONCLUDE** that the agreement meets the safeguard requirements of N.J.A.C. 17:27-19.1 and, accordingly, I approve the settlement and **ORDER** that the parties comply with the settlement terms.

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 (45) 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.

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JEFFREY A. GERSON, ALJ
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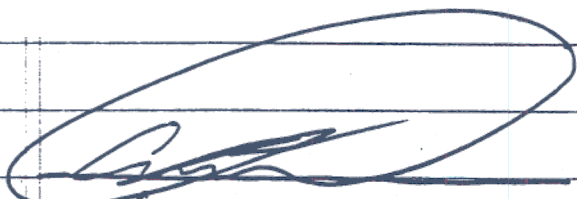
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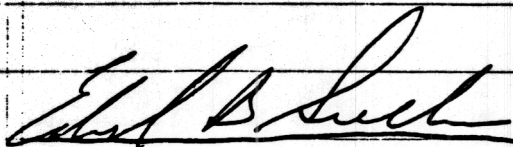
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SETTLEMENT AGREEMENT

Adenani Bayon and PSE+G agree to reduce the outstanding balance on the disputed account from \$ 4. to \$ 643. PSE+G shall pay the \$ 643 through her residential account, \$ 100 per month for 6 months in addition to the monthly charges. PSE+G shall make the adjustment to her account # 11-049-385-10. This agreement resolves the matter OAL Docket # 9717-2006.



ADENANI BAYON



Edward B. Sullivan

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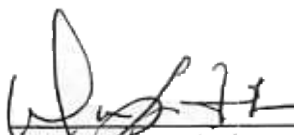
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