

STATE OF NEW JERSEY
Board of Public Utilities
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CUSTOMER ASSISTANCE

VANESSA JOHNSON,
Petitioner

) ORDER ADOPTING INITIAL DECISION
) SETTLEMENT

PUBLIC SERVICE ELECTRIC AND GAS
COMPANY,
Respondent

) BPU DOCKET NO. EC07010022U
) OAL DOCKET NO. PUC 03963-07N

(SERVICE LIST ATTACHED)

BY THE BOARD:

On January 12, 2007, Vanessa Johnson (Petitioner) filed a petition with the Board of Public Utilities (Board) related to a billing dispute for electric service provided by Public Service Electric and Gas Company (Respondent).

After the filing of Respondent's answer, the Board transmitted this matter to the Office of Administrative Law (OAL) 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. This matter was assigned to Administrative Law Judge (ALJ) Richard McGill.

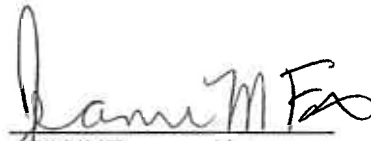
While this matter was pending at OAL, the parties engaged in negotiations and entered into and executed a Stipulation of Settlement (Stipulation) that was submitted to the ALJ. By Initial Decision issued on January 16, 2009, and submitted to the Board on January 23, 2009, to which the Stipulation was attached and made part thereof, ALJ McGill found that the agreements set out in the Stipulation were voluntary, that their terms fully disposed of all issues in controversy and that they met the requirements of N.J.A.C. 1:1-19.1.

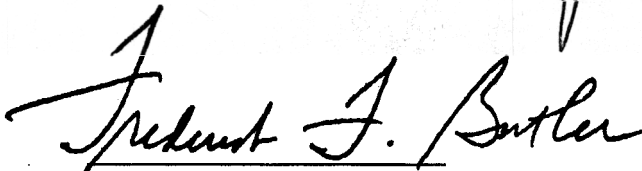
Pursuant to the terms of the Stipulation, the parties have agreed that the Respondent will credit the Petitioner's account in the amount of \$1,037.12. In addition, the Respondent will install, at no charge to the Petitioner, gas and electric remote meter reading devices for which the Petitioner shall pay \$1.00 per month for each of the devices. The Respondent will further credit the Petitioner's account in the additional amount of \$24.00 to compensate the Petitioner for one year of monthly charges for the remote reading devices.

After review and consideration of the Initial Decision and the Stipulation of the parties, the Board HEREBY FINDS that, by the terms of the Stipulation, the parties have resolved all outstanding contested issues in this matter. Accordingly, the Board HEREBY ADOPTS the Initial Decision and the Stipulation of Settlement in their entirety as if set out at length herein.

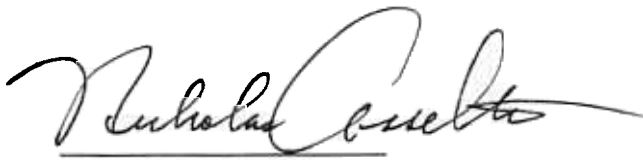
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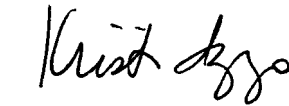

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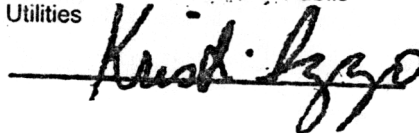

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VANESSA JOHNSON

v.

**PUBLIC SERVICE ELECTRIC AND GAS COMPANY
BPU DOCKET NO. EC07010022U
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INITIAL DECISION

SETTLEMENT

OAL DKT. NO. PUC 3963-07
BPU DKT. NO. EC07010022U

VANESSA JOHNSON,
Petitioner,
v.
PUBLIC SERVICE ELECTRIC
AND GAS COMPANY,
Respondent.

Vanessa Johnson, pro se

Sheree L. Kelly, Esq., for respondent

Record Closed: January 13, 2009

Decided: January 16, 2009

BEFORE RICHARD MCGILL, ALJ:

This matter is a billing dispute between Vanessa Johnson and Public Service Electric and Gas Company. The matter was transmitted to the Office of Administrative Law on April 23, 2007, for determination as a contested case.

Prior to hearing, the parties agreed to an amicable resolution of the matter and submitted a written Stipulation of Settlement. Having reviewed the record and the settlement terms, I **FIND** as follows:

- 1 The parties have voluntarily agreed to the settlement as evidenced by their signatures or the signatures of their representatives.

- 2 The settlement fully disposes of all issues in controversy and is consistent with the law.

Therefore, I **CONCLUDE** that the agreement meets the requirements of N.J.A.C. 1:1-19.1 and that the settlement should be approved. Accordingly, it is **ORDERED** that the parties comply with the terms of the settlement, and it is **FURTHER ORDERED** that proceedings in this matter be concluded.

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.

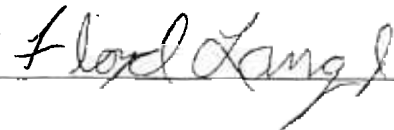
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RICHARD MCGILL, ALJ



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v.

Public Service Electric and Gas Company,
Respondent

OAL Docket No. PUC 03963-2007N
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STIPULATION OF SETTLEMENT

This matter having been brought before the Office of Administrative Law by the Petitioner, Vanessa Johnson ("Petitioner"), against Respondent Public Service Electric and Gas Company ("PSE&G" or "Respondent") for utility service rendered by PSE&G to the premises 233 Prospect Street, Apt. C, East Orange, NJ (the "Property") and the Parties having agreed to settle this matter, hereby set forth the terms and conditions of their settlement agreement as follows:

- PSE&G will issue a credit of \$1,037.12 to account number 12 148 271 60.
2. PSE&G will install, free of charge to Petitioner, gas and electric remote meter reading devices at the Property, on January 7, 2009.
3. Petitioner agrees to pay \$1.00 per month for each of the remote meter reading devices.
4. PSE&G will credit Petitioner's account an additional \$24.00 to compensate Petitioner for one year of monthly charges for each of the remote meter reading devices.
5. This settlement is made in full and final satisfaction of any claims Petitioner may have against Respondent for all periods through the date of execution of the within Stipulation.

Petitioner: Vanessa Johnson

Respondent: PSE&G

By: Vanessa Johnson

By: Edward B. Sullivan
Edward B. Sullivan
Manager Customer Operations

Date: 01/05/09

Date: 1/8/09

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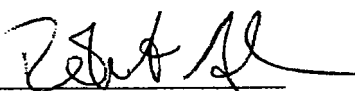
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4. **DISMISSAL WITH PREJUDICE**

- a. The parties herein agree and consent that the above-captioned action be and hereby is dismissed with prejudice.

Phillips Nizer LLP
Counsel for Petitioner

By: 
Robert M. Adams

Dated: January 8, 2009

Law Offices John P. Wallace, Esq.
Counsel for Respondent

By: 
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Dated: January 7, 2009

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