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CUSTOMER ASSISTANCE

ORDER ADOPTING INITIAL DECISION AND STIPULATION OF SETTLEMENT

BPU Docket No. EC11040200U OAL Docket No. PUC06516-11N

ADENAH BAYOH, Petitioner

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PUBLIC SERVICE ELECTRC AND GAS COMPANY, Respondent

Adenah Bayoh Petitioner, appearing pro se

Sheree L. Kelly, Esq., on behalf of Respondent, Public Service Electric and Gas Company

BY THE BOARD:

On April 6, 2011, Adenah Bayoh ("Petitioner") filed a petition with the Board of Public Utilities ("Board") requesting a formal hearing related to a billing dispute with Public Service Electric and Gas Company ("Respondent") for utility services rendered by 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") Kimberly A. Moss.

While this matter was pending at the OAL, the parties engaged in negotiations and entered into and signed a Stipulation of Settlement ("Stipulation") that was submitted to the ALJ. By Initial Decision issued on October 18, 2011, and submitted to the Board on October 25, 2011, to which the Stipulation was attached and made part thereof, ALJ Moss found that the Stipulation was voluntary, that its terms fully disposed of all issues in controversy and that it satisfied the requirements of N.J.A.C. 1:1-19.1. Pursuant to the terms of the Stipulation, and in order to fully resolve this matter, the parties have agreed that, as of September 27, 2011, Petitioner has an account balance of \$48,469.04. This balance will be paid by Petitioner over an 18-month period consisting of 17-monthly payments of \$2,692.72 and a final payment of \$2,692.80. Petitioner further agreed to make these payments plus her current bills from

Respondent by the date listed on each bill, beginning with the November 2011 bill. After review of the record and the Stipulation of Settlement of the parties, the Board <u>HEREBY FINDS</u> that the parties have voluntarily agreed to the settlement as evidenced by their signatures and that by the terms of the Stipulation of Settlement, have fully resolved all outstanding contested issues in this matter.

Accordingly, the Board <u>HEREBY ADOPTS</u> the Initial Decision and the Stipulation of Settlement executed by the parties in their entirety as if fully set forth herein.

DATED: 11/30/11

BOARD OF PUBLIC UTILITIES

BY:

LEE A. SOLOMON PRESIDENT

EANNE M. FOX COMMISSIONER

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COMMISSIONER

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ATTEST:

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HEREBY CERTIFY that the within document is a true copy of the original in the files of the Board of Public

Utilities

ADENAH BAYOH

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PUBLIC SERVICE ELECTRIC AND GAS COMPANY

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INITIAL DECISION

SETTLEMENT

OAL DKT. NO. PUC 06516-11N AGENCY DKT. NO. EC11040200U

ADENAH BAYOH.,

Petitioner,

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PUBLIC SERVICE ELECTRIC AND GAS COMPANY,

Respondent.

Adenah Bayoh, petitioner, pro se

Sheree L. Kelly, Esq. on behalf of respondent (PSE&G Services Corporation)

Record Closed: October 18, 2011 Decided: October 18, 2011

BEFORE KIMBERLY A. MOSS, ALJ:

On June 2, 2011, 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. 52:14F 1 to-13. A telephone prehearing was scheduled and conducted on July 7, 2011. A status conference was scheduled for September 28, 2011 during which time the parties reached a settlement. On October 18, 2011 the undersigned received the Stipulation of Settlement, which are incorporated herein by reference.

I have reviewed the record and terms of the Stipulation of 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 of all issues in controversy and is consistent

with law.

I CONCLUDE that the agreement meets the requirements of N.J.A.C. 1:1-19.1

and therefore, it is ORDERED that the parties comply with the settlement terms and that

these proceedings be and are hereby 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 (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.

October 18, 2011

DATE

KIMBERLY A. MOSS, ALJ

Date Received at Agency:

Date Mailed to Parties:

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DIRECTOR AND

CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE LAW JUDGE

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STATE OF NEW JERSEY OFFICE OF ADMINISTRATIVE LAW

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Adenah Bayoh Petitioner) OAL Docket No. PUC 06516-2011N BPU Docket No. EC11040200U
v.)
Public Service Electric and Gas Company, Respondent) STIPULATION OF SETTLEMENT)

This matter having been brought before the Office of Administrative Law by the Petitioner, Adenah Bayoh ("Petitioner"), against Respondent Public Service Electric and Gas Company ("PSE&G" or "Respondent") for utility service rendered by PSE&G to the premises of ABKA Holding, LLC t/a Irvington International House of Pancakes, 1212 Springfield Avenue, Irvington, NJ, 07111 (the "Property") and the Parties having agreed to settle this matter, hereby set forth the terms and conditions of their settlement agreement as follows:

- 1. As of September 27, 2011, Petitioner has an account balance of \$48,469.04.
- 2. Petitioner agrees to pay PSE&G the balance of \$48,469.04 over an 18 month period; 17 monthly payments of \$2,692.72 and a final payment of \$2,692.80.
- 3. Petitioner agrees to make these payments, plus her current PSE&G bill, by the due date listed on each bill, beginning with the November 2011 bill.

Petitioner: Adenah Bayoh	Respondent: PSE&G
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Date: 10/3 ///	Date: 10/12/11