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STATE OF NEW JERSEY

Board of Public Utilities 44 South Clinton Avenue, 9th Floor Post Office Box 350 Trenton, New Jersey 08625-0350 www.nj.gov/bpu/

IN THE MATTER OF THE PETITION OF ATLANTIC CITY ELECTRIC COMPANY FOR APPROVAL OF AMENDMENTS TO ITS TARIFF TO PROVIDE FOR AN INCREASE IN RATES AND CHARGES FOR ELECTRIC SERVICE PURSUANT TO N.J.S.A. 48:2-21 AND N.J.S.A. 48:2-21.1 AND FOR OTHER APPROPRIATE RELIEF (2012)))))	ORDER SUSPENDING INCREASES, CHANGES OF ALTERATIONS IN RATES FOR ELECTRIC SERVICE DOCKET NO. ER12121071
RELIEF (2012))	DOCKET NO. ER12121071

Parties of Record:

Phillip J. Passanante, Esq., for Atlantic City Electric Company **Stefanie A. Brand, Esq., Director, Division of Rate Counsel**

BY THE BOARD:

On December 11, 2012, Atlantic City Electric Company ("ACE" or "Company"), filed a petition requesting approval by the New Jersey Board of Public Utilities ("Board") for an increase in current base rates for electric service of \$69.7 million (\$74.579 million, including Sales and Use Tax). Specifically, the Company is seeking to increase its distribution rates by \$71.432 million (\$76.432 million, including Sales and Use Tax), which the Company's asserts will be offset by a net decrease to its Regulatory Asset Recovery Charge ("RARC") in the amount of \$1.732 million (\$1.853 million, including Sales and Use Tax). The Company's request for an increase in electric base rates of \$69.7 million (\$74.579 million, including Sales and Use Tax), if approved, would represent an increase for a typical residential customer taking service through Basic Generation Service and using 1,000 kWh/month of \$12.69 per month or approximately 7% over rates currently in effect.

On January 14, 2013, this matter was transmitted to the Office of Administrative Law.

Pursuant to N.J.S.A. 48:2-2(d), the proposed revisions to base rates be, and HEREBY are suspended until May 10, 2013, unless the Board prior to that date makes a determination disposing of the petition or enters an Order further suspending the proposed revisions.

ACE shall, at least ten (10) days prior to the date set for hearing on the petition by the Office of Administrative Law, file with this Board and with the Office of Administrative Law (33 Washington Street, Newark, NJ 07102) proof of compliance with the notice provisions of N.J.S.A. 48:2-32.2 and N.J.A.C. 14:1-5.12(b) and (c), which notice shall include a statement that any relief found by the Board to be just and reasonable may be allocated by the Board to any class or classes of customers on any rate or schedule as the Board may determine; and ACE shall, at the same time it files with the Board, also file proof of service of copies of this Order upon the Office of Administrative Law, the Division of Rate Counsel (31 Clinton Street, P.O. Box 46005, Newark, NJ 07102), the clerks of each affected municipality, the clerks of the Boards of Chosen Freeholders of each affected county, and where appropriate, the executive officer of each affected county within its service area. Service of the petition, notice of hearings and this Suspension Order may be made simultaneously.

DATED: 3/20/13

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