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STATE OF NEW JERSEY

Board of Public Utilities
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		OCCUPATION OF THE PROPERTY OF
IT TRESS, INC. Petitioner)	ORDER ADOPTING INITIAL DECISION SETTLEMENT
V.)	
PUBLIC SERVICE ELECTRIC AND GAS COMPANY, Respondent))	BPU DOCKET NO. EC12110993U OAL DOCKET NO. PUC01333-13

Parties of Record:

Andy Lee, appearing pursuant to N.J.A.C. 1:1-5.4, for Petitioner **Sheree L. Kelly, Esq.**, appearing on behalf of Respondent, Public Service Electric and Gas Company

BY THE BOARD:

On November 9, 2012, IT Tress, Inc. ("Petitioner" or "ITT"), 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" or "PSE&G") for electric utility services rendered by Respondent.

ITT claimed that PSE&G overcharged its electric account from February 2010 through September 2010 in the amount of \$19,733.81, after Petitioner moved from its North Bergen, New Jersey location to its current Ridgefield, New Jersey location. ITT further alleged that PSE&G indicated that the increase was due to ITT being a new customer without prior summer usage. ITT claimed that it did have a history of prior summer usage with PSE&G at its previous North Bergen location, of which Respondent was aware.

PSE&G filed an answer on December 17, 2012, denying the allegations that ITT was incorrectly billed. Respondent contended that services were supplied and billed in accordance with the terms, conditions and rate schedules set forth in its Board approved Tariff. PSE&G requested that the relief sought by ITT be denied on the basis that Petitioner failed to set forth a claim upon which relief may be granted.

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 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 August 5, 2013 and submitted to the Board on August 8, 2013, to which the Stipulation was attached and made part thereof, ALJ McGill 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 Stipulation, and in order to resolve this matter regarding electric service to Petitioner's Ridgefield, New Jersey address, the parties have agreed that Respondent will credit to Petitioner's account ending in 500 01 the amount of \$17,000.00, and subsequently issue a check to Petitioner in that amount.

After review of the Initial Decision and the Stipulation of Settlement of the parties, the Board HEREBY FINDS that the parties have voluntarily agreed to the Stipulation as evidenced by their signatures and that by its terms, the Stipulation of Settlement fully resolves all outstanding contested issues in this matter in accordance with N.J.A.C. 1:1-19.1.

Accordingly, the Board HEREBY ADOPTS the Initial Decision and Stipulation of Settlement executed by the parties in their entirety as if set forth at length herein.

DATED: 9/18/13

BOARD OF PUBLIC UTILITIES BY:

PRESIDENT

COMMISSIONER

JÓSEPH L. FIORDALISO

COMMISSIONER

DIANNE SOLOMON

COMMISSIONER

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ATTEST:

SECRETARY

HEREBY CERTIFY that is

IT TRESS, INC.

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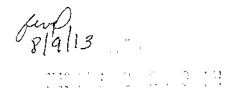
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State of New Jersey OFFICE OF ADMINISTRATIVE LAW

INITIAL DECISION
SETTLEMENT

OAL DKT. NO. PUC 01333-13 BPU DKT. NO. EC12110993U

IT TRESS, INC.,

Petitioner,

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PUBLIC SERVICE ELECTRIC AND GAS COMPANY,

Respondent.

Andy Lee, appearing pursuant to N.J.A.C. 1:1-5.4, for petitioner

Sheree L. Kelly, Esq., on behalf of respondent

Record Closed: July 30, 2013

Decided: August 5, 2013

BEFORE RICHARD McGILL, ALJ:

This matter is a billing dispute between IT Tress, Inc. and Public Service Electric and Gas Company. The matter was transmitted to the Office of Administrative Law on February 4, 2013, for determination as a contested case.

Prior to the hearing, the parties agreed to an amicable resolution of the matter and submitted a 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 the proceedings in this matter be 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 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.

DATE	RICHARD McGILL, ALJ
Date Received at Agency:	
Date Mailed to Parties:	

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July 29, 2013

Honorable Richard McGill, ALJ Office of Administrative Law 33 Washington Street Newark, NJ 07102-3011

Re:

IT Tress, Inc. v. PSE&G

BPU Docket No.: EC12110993U OAL Docket No.: PUC 01333-2013 N

Dear Judge McGill:

Enclosed please find a signed Stipulation of Settlement with reference to the above-captioned matter.

Respectfully submitted,

Sheree L. Kelly

SLK/jb Enclosure

cc:

Andy Lee (w/enc.)

Edward B. Sullivan (w/enc.)

STATE OF NEW JERSEY OFFICE OF ADMINISTRATIVE LAW

IT Tress, Inc Petitioner) OAL Docket No. PUC 01333-2013N) BPU Docket No. EC12110993U		
v. Public Service Electric and Gas Company, Respondent	STIPULATION OF SETTLEMENT))		
This matter having been brought before the Petitioner, IT Tress, Inc. ("Petitioner"), against R Company ("PSE&G") for utility service rendered Avenue, Unit #7, Ridgefield, NJ, 07657 (the "Prothis matter, hereby set forth the terms and conditions are the service rendered to the terms and conditions are the service rendered to the terms and conditions are the service rendered to the terms and conditions are the service rendered to the terms and conditions are the service rendered to the terms and conditions are the service rendered to the service rendere	tespondent Public Service Electric and Gas I by PSE&G to the premises 65 Railroad operty") and the Parties having agreed to settle		
 PSE&G agrees to credit Petitioner 	r's account ending 500 01, \$17,000.00.		
2. PSE&G also agrees to subsequent	PSE&G also agrees to subsequently issue a check for that amount.		
Petitioner: IT Tress, Inc.	Respondent: PSE&G		
By:	By: Edward B. Sullivan		

Date: 7/26/2013 Date: 7/29/2013

IT Tress, Inc.

Manager, Customer Relations