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# STATE OF NEW JERSEY

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

		CUSTOMER ASSISTANCE
DR. FAIZUL and ANGELA KAHN Petitioner	) ) )	ORDER ADOPTING INITIAL DECISION SETTLEMENT
V.	) \	
PUBLIC SERVICE ELECTRIC AND GAS COMPANY, Respondent	) )	BPU DOCKET NO. EC13080723U OAL DOCKET NO. PUC 15636-13

#### Parties of Record:

**Dr. Faizul Kahn, pro se Sheree L. Kelly, Esq.,** on behalf of Respondent, Public Service Electric and Gas Company

#### BY THE BOARD:

On August 14, 2013, Dr. Faizul and Angela Kahn ("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, on October 25, 2013, 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 January 6, 2014, and received by the Board on January 9, 2014, to which the Stipulation was attached and made part thereof, ALJ Moss found that the Settlement 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 Settlement, and in order to fully resolve this matter, the parties have agreed that: (1) Respondent will credit Petitioner's account in the amount of \$757.00 to be issued in the form of a check; and (2) Respondent will continue to maintain Petitioner's Equal Payment Plan.

After review of the record and the Stipulation of Settlement of the parties, the Board <u>HEREBY</u> <u>FINDS</u> that the parties have voluntarily agreed to the Stipulation as evidenced by their signatures and that, by the terms of the Stipulation, 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: 2/19/14

BOARD OF PUBLIC UTILITIES BY:

DIANNE SOLOMON PRESIDENT

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**COMMISSIONER** 

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ATTEST:

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I HEREBY CERTIFY that the within document is a true copy of the origina in the files of the Board of Public Intilities.

#### DR. FAIZUL and ANGELA KAHN

V.

# PUBLIC SERVICE ELECTRIC AND GAS COMPANY

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# State of New Jersey

OFFICE OF ADMINISTRATIVE LAW

INITIAL DECISION
SETTLEMENT

OAL DKT. NO. PUC 15636-13

AGENCY DKT. NO. EC13080723U

DR. FAIZUL & ANGELA KHAN,

Petitioner,

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PUBLIC SERVICE ELECTRIC AND GAS COMPANY,

Respondent.

Angel Khan, pro se

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

Record Closed: January 6, 2014 Decided: January 6, 2014

# BEFORE KIMBERLY A. MOSS, ALJ:

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 conducted on November 20, 2013. A status conference was conducted on December 11, 2013wherein the parties engaged in extensive settlement discussions and resolved all issued in dispute. On December 31, 2013 respondent's counsel submitted a Stipulation of Settlement, via electronic mail. The original Stipulation of Settlement was received on January 6, 2014, which is attached hereto for 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.

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DATE	KIMBERLY A. MOSS, ALJ
Date Received at Agency:	
Date Mailed to Parties:	

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Dr. Faizul and Angela Khan Petitioner	) OAL Docker No. EC13080723U
v. Public Service Electric and Gas Company, Respondent	) ) STIPULATION OF SETTLEMENT ) ))
This matter having been brought before the Petitioners, Dr. Faizul and Angela Khan ("Petition Electric and Gas Company ("PSE&G" or "Respect to the premises 480 Beech Street, Haworth, NJ Cagreed to settle this matter, hereby set forth the teagreement as follows:	oners"), against Respondent Public Service ondent") for utility service rendered by PSE&G 07641 (the "Property") and the Parties having
1. PSE&G will credit Petitioners' ac	ecount in the amount of \$757.00, which will then

PSE&G will continue to maintain Petitioners' PSE&G EPP Plan.

Respondent: PSE&G

Edward B. Sullivian

Manager, Regulatory Services

be issued in the form of a check to Petitioners.

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Date:\_\_/2/25/13

Petitioner: Angela Khan

Petitioner: Dr. Faizul Khan .