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Agenda Item: VIIA

STATE OF NEW JERSEY
Board of Public Utilities
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CUSTOMER ASSISTANCE

MICHAEL AVIGNONE,
PETITIONER,

v.

ELIZABETHTOWN GAS COMPANY,
RESPONDENT

) ORDER OF EXTENSION
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)
) BPU DOCKET NO. GC25100565U
) OAL DOCKET NO. PUC 21887-25
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BY THE BOARD:

This matter is before the New Jersey Board of Public Utilities (“Board” or “BPU”) concerning Board Staff’s (“Staff”) request for a forty-five (45)-day extension of time prior to the Board issuing a Final Decision in this matter.

BACKGROUND

On October 14, 2025, Michael Avignone (“Petitioner”) filed a petition with the Board concerning a billing dispute between himself and Elizabethtown Gas Company (“ETG”). Petitioner alleged that ETG incorrectly billed him \$5,743.00. ETG filed an answer to the petition on October 29, 2025, and the petition was subsequently transmitted to the Office of Administrative Law on December 16, 2025. On March 11, 2026, the Board received Administrative Law Judge Irene Jones’s Initial Decision in this matter. The forty-five (45)-day statutory period for the Board to review the Initial Decision and issue a Final Decision will expire on April 25, 2026.¹

Prior to that date, Staff requests a forty-five (45)-day extension of time to adequately review the record in this matter.

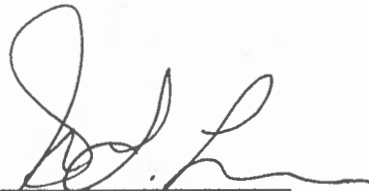
¹ N.J.S.A. 52:14b-10(c).

DISCUSSION AND FINDINGS

For good cause having been shown, I **HEREBY GRANT** Staff's request for an additional forty-five (45) days to review the Initial Decision prior to the Board rendering a Final Decision in this matter. As such, and pursuant to N.J.S.A. 52:14B-10(c) and N.J.A.C. 1:1-18.8, I **HEREBY ORDER** that the time for the Board to render a Final Decision is extended to June 9, 2026.²


DATED: April 22, 2026

BOARD OF PUBLIC UTILITIES
BY:



SHERRI L. LEWIS
BOARD SECRETARY

ATTEST:


CHRISTINE GUHL-SADOVY
PRESIDENT

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

Date Board mailed Order to OAL: 4-22-26

cc: Service List Attached

DATED: 4/22/2026



BARRY E. MOSCOWITZ,
ACTING DIRECTOR & CHIEF
ADMINISTRATIVE LAW JUDGE

Date OAL mailed executed Order to Board: 4/22/2026

Date Board mailed executed Order to Parties: 4-22-26

² President Christine Guhl-Sadovy is authorized by the Board to execute this Order of Extension on its behalf.

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