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**NOTICE<sup>1</sup>**

**New Jersey Energy Efficiency Transition**  
**Stakeholder Meeting – Cost Recovery**

Pursuant to the “Open Public Meetings Act,” N.J.S.A. 10:4-6 et seq., the New Jersey Board of Public Utilities (“NJBPU” or “Board”) hereby gives notice of a Public Stakeholder Meeting to discuss the New Jersey Energy Efficiency Transition.

NJBPU Staff continues its efforts to engage with stakeholders and continues to hold several issue-specific public stakeholder sessions related to energy efficiency. This is the fifth meeting in this series and will focus on the topic of cost recovery. The NJBPU will be soliciting stakeholder input on a draft cost recovery mechanism proposal for energy efficiency programs, which will be shared in advance of the meeting.

The public meeting will be held at the following date, time, and place:

**Date:** Thursday, January 23, 2020  
**Time:** 10:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.  
**Location:** Trenton War Memorial  
Delaware River Room  
1 Memorial Drive, Trenton, NJ 08608

**Background**

On May 23, 2018, Governor Phil Murphy signed into law P.L. 2018, c. 16 (C.48:3-87.3-87.7) (“Act”). N.J.S.A. 48:3-87.9 requires public utilities in the state to reduce the use of electricity and natural gas in their service territories. Specifically, the Act states that, by May 23, 2019, the Board shall require (a) each electric public utility to achieve, within its territory by its customers, annual reductions of 2 percent of the average annual electricity usage in the prior three years within five years of implementation of its electric energy efficiency program; and (b) each natural gas public utility to achieve, within its territory by its customers, annual reductions in the use of natural gas of 0.75 percent of the average annual natural gas usage in the prior three years within five years of implementation of its gas energy efficiency program. N.J.S.A. 48:3- 87.9(a).

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In addition, the law requires that:

The Board shall establish a stakeholder process to evaluate the economically achievable energy efficiency and peak demand reduction requirements, rate adjustments, quantitative performance indicators, and the process for evaluating, measuring, and verifying energy usage reductions and peak demand reductions by the public utilities.

[N.J.S.A. 48:3-87.9(f)(1)]

The Board solicited input related to energy efficiency and peak demand program administration at a public meeting on September 25, 2019 and invited stakeholders to provide written comments on that topic by October 4, 2019. The Board solicited further input related to energy efficiency and peak demand programs at a public meeting on October 30, 2019 and invited stakeholders to provide written comments on that topic by November 6, 2019. The Board solicited input related to evaluation, measurement, and verification of these programs, as well as about filing and reporting requirements, at meetings on December 18, 2019 and invited stakeholders to provide written comments by January 10. Additionally, the Board hosted two (2) technical working group meetings on cost recovery on October 31, 2019 and December 13, 2019 and invited stakeholders to provide written comments on the topic by November 14, 2019 and January 3, 2020, respectively.

### **Next Steps**

Staff hereby announces this January 23 public stakeholder meeting, which continues stakeholder engagement on the energy efficiency transition. Members of the public are invited to attend and present their views. Please note that this public stakeholder meeting is limited to comments concerning Staff's proposed cost recovery mechanism.

The NJBPU will be soliciting stakeholder input on a draft cost recovery mechanism proposal for energy efficiency programs, which will be shared in advance of the meeting.

In order to encourage full participation in this opportunity for public comment, please submit any requests for needed accommodations for disabled citizens to the Office of the Secretary of the Board at (609) 777-3300 at least 48 hours prior to the scheduled meeting so that appropriate arrangements can be made.

Members of the public may file written comments with the Secretary of the Board of Public Utilities at 44 South Clinton Avenue, 9th Floor, Trenton, New Jersey 08625-0350, Attn: Aida Camacho-Welch, regardless of whether they attend the public meetings. Written comments may also be submitted electronically to [EnergyEfficiency@bpu.nj.gov](mailto:EnergyEfficiency@bpu.nj.gov) in PDF or Word format. **Please include a subject line of "Cost Recovery Mechanism Comments."** **All comments must be received on or before 5 p.m. on Thursday, February 6, 2020.**



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