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NOTICE¹

Staff Straw Proposal

New Jersey Electric Vehicle Infrastructure Ecosystem 2020 Straw Proposal

DOCKET NO. QO20050357 - IN THE MATTER OF STRAW PROPOSAL
ON ELECTRIC VEHICLE INFRASTRUCTURE BUILD OUT

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 Electric Vehicle Infrastructure Ecosystem 2020 Straw Proposal](#).

The Staff of the New Jersey Board of Public Utilities ("NJBPU") invites interested parties and members of the public to provide comments on this Straw Proposal, which will help inform Staff's recommendations to the Board for developing a pathway forward for electric vehicle ("EV") charging infrastructure build-out in the State, and the roles of private and public entities in this endeavor.

NJBPU Staff recognize that New Jersey needs to create a comprehensive EV ecosystem that provides consumers with easy access to EV charging infrastructure where they work and play. This must be done in partnership with stakeholders, including New Jersey's consumers, employers, property owners, Electric Distribution Companies ("EDCs"), and investors. Many of the issues that this Straw Proposal seeks to explore include questions about who should construct, own, operate, and pay for the network necessary to make New Jersey a national leader in the adoption of EVs and EV infrastructure.

NJBPU Staff is issuing this straw proposal for review and comment. The stakeholder process will be as follows:

Staff will be soliciting stakeholder input on the Straw Proposal through a web-based public meeting on Wednesday, June 3, 2020. This online technical conference-format meeting will provide stakeholders the opportunity to comment on the topics discussed in this Straw Proposal. The meeting will include a series of panels on the following topics:

1. How to best expand the EVSE Infrastructure and encourage Charger Ready investment.
 - Establishing the appropriate role for the EDCs and EVSE Infrastructure Companies.
 - Identifying communities where market forces alone may not result in the desired level of EV infrastructure.
 - Establishing cost recovery for EDC investment in making locations Charger Ready.
2. How to ensure equity in the EV Ecosystem.
 - Utilizing the EV Mapping effort to identify Charger Ready locations.
 - Identifying how market failures should be identified that would trigger utility intervention.
3. How to design and integrate EV charging into the rate structure.
 - Identifying appropriate residential rate design for customers living in multi-family dwellings.
 - Establishing rate design for C&I customers installing EVSE: waiver versus rebate.
 - Designing adequate time-of-use rates be for EV customers.

Interested parties on a particular topic may nominate themselves to speak on that panel. To self-nominate, please provide the following information to Cathleen Lewis at cathleen.lewis@bpu.nj.gov by Friday, May 22, 2020:

- Name, title, and affiliation;
- Desired panel (please also provide a secondary panel selection); and
- Short description (no more than one page) explaining why you should be selected for the panel.

Self-nominated panelists may also be asked to present on a different panel. Selected panelists will be notified by May 28, 2020. Please note that Staff may assign a panelist to a panel other than the one for which they self-nominated. NJBPU will endeavor to ensure that various interests and a diversity of opinions, constituencies, and business models are represented. An agenda and list of panelists will be published in advance of the technical conference. Each panelist will be afforded the opportunity to make a short presentation, followed by a discussion between the panelists and NJBPU Staff, as well as questions from the audience. Parties not selected as panelists will have the opportunity to ask questions and make public statements, time permitting.

The details for the meeting are:

Date: Wednesday, June 3, 2020
Time: 10:00 a.m. to 1:15 p.m. Panels 1 & 2
2:00 p.m. to 3:30 p.m. Panel 3

Please note that this meeting will be conducted via GoToWebinar. You must register for the meeting before attending by clicking here:

<https://attendee.gotowebinar.com/register/939110880465148940>

After registering, you will receive a confirmation email containing information about joining the webinar and checking your system requirements. We encourage stakeholders to follow these instructions and check their systems ahead of the meeting to ensure that they will have access.

In addition, Staff invites stakeholders to submit written comments on this Straw Proposal through June 17, 2020 at 5:00 p.m. EDT. Comments may be submitted via email to board.secretary@bpu.nj.gov in PDF or Microsoft Word format. Commenters may also electronically file comments through the Board's External Access Portal upon obtaining a MyNewJersey [Portal ID](#). Once you establish a MyNewJersey account, you'll need an authorization code, which you can request by emailing NJBPU's IT Helpdesk at ITHELPDESK@bpu.nj.gov. Please note that these comments may be considered "public documents" for purposes of the State's Open Public Records Act. Stakeholders may identify information that they wish to keep confidential by submitting them in accordance with the confidentiality procedures set forth in [N.J.A.C. 14:1-12.3](#).

Comments may be submitted by mail to:

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Staff invites stakeholders to submit comments by **June 17, 2020 at 5:00 p.m. EDT**, regardless of whether they participate in the June 3 webinar. **Please direct all questions to EV.Programs@bpu.nj.gov.** Staff looks forward to receiving and reviewing stakeholder comments. Thank you for your interest in electric vehicle adoption in New Jersey.



Aida Camacho-Welch
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Dated: May 18, 2020