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

### **IN THE MATTER OF DEVELOPING INTEGRATED DISTRIBUTED ENERGY RESOURCE PLANS TO MODERNIZE NEW JERSEY'S ELECTRIC GRID**

#### **DRAFT FOR PUBLIC COMMENT**

**Docket No. [QO24030199](#)**

Staff of the New Jersey Board of Public Utilities ("NJBP" or "Board") hereby invites all interested parties and members of the public to provide written responses to this [Straw Proposal](#) regarding a proposed requirement for Electric Distribution Companies ("EDCs") to file Proactive System Upgrade Plans ("PSUPs") with the Board.

The proposed PSUP requirement aims to advance Governor Sherrill's Executive Order No. 1 and Order No. 2 by improving the transparency of initiatives that support integrating Virtual Power Plant ("VPP") programs and proactive distribution planning in order to enable a cleaner, more resilient, and affordable energy future for New Jersey. PSUPs would represent an important reference point to be used in conjunction with future filings seeking cost recovery through traditional filing mechanisms on specific distribution system investments.

The PSUP proposal would require EDCs to qualitatively describe cost-effective three- and ten-year distribution system strategies to: (1) Affordably increase distributed generation hosting and load-serving capacity; (2) Improve electric power system operational flexibility and dynamic capacity; and (3) Support broader and more flexible participation by interconnected and aggregated DER with services for optimal energy resource utilization.

The Board is accepting written and/or electronic responses regarding this Straw Proposal. All

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public responses should be filed under Docket No. [QO24030199](#); responses will be available in the other dockets after all filings are received.

**The deadline for responses on this matter is 5 p.m. on May 29, 2026.**

Please submit responses directly to the specific docket using the “Post Comments” button on the Board’s [Public Document Search tool](#).

Comments are considered “public documents” for purposes of the State’s Open Public Records Act, and commenters may identify any information that they seek to keep confidential by submitting them in accordance with the procedures set forth in N.J.A.C. 14:1-12.3. In addition to hard copy submissions, confidential information may also be filed electronically via the Board’s e-filing system or by email to the Secretary of the Board. Please include “Confidential Information” in the subject line of any email. Instructions for confidential e-filing are found on the Board’s webpage, <https://www.nj.gov/bpu/agenda/efiling/>

Written comments may also be submitted to:

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Staff look forward to receiving and reviewing stakeholder responses.

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Dated: May 8, 2026