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Via Hand Delivery

Irene Kim Asbury, Secretary New Jersey Board of Public Utilities 44 South Clinton Avenue, 9th Floor Post Office Box 350 Trenton NJ 08625-0350

Re: 2015 New Jersey Energy Master Plan Update

Dear Secretary Asbury: .

Enclosed for filing please find an original and ten copies of the Division of Rate Counsel's Comments in the above matter. These comments are being submitted pursuant to the Board of Public Utilities' Notice dated July 22, 2015. These comments will also be circulated electronically to the email list server (EMPupdate@bpu.state.nj.us) used by the Board for this filing.

We have also enclosed one additional copy of the materials transmitted. Please stamp and date the copy as "filed" and return to our courier. Thank you for your consideration and attention to this matter.

Respectfully submitted,

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