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VIA ELECTRONIC MAIL & HAND DELIVERY

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Re:

In the Matter of the Provision of Basic Generation Service for Year Two of the Post-Transition Period

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In the Matter of the Provision of Basic Generation Service for the Period Beginning June 1, 2015

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In the Matter of the Provision of Basic Generation Service for the Period Beginning June 1, 2016

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In the Matter of the Provision of Basic Generation Service for the Period Beginning June 1, 2017

BPU Docket Nos. E003050394, ER14040370, ER15040482, ER16040337

Compliance Tariff Filing Reflecting Changes to Schedule 12 Charges in PJM Open Access Transmission Tariff BPU Docket No. ER17121284

Dear Secretary Asbury:

Enclosed for filing on behalf of Jersey Central Power & Light Company ("JCP&L"), Atlantic City Electric Company ("ACE"), Public Service Electric and Gas Company ("PSE&G"), and Rockland Electric Company ("RECO") (collectively, the "EDCs"), please find an original and ten copies of tariff sheets and supporting exhibits that reflect changes to the PJM Open Access Transmission Tariff ("OATT") made in response to the revised network integration transmission



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service ("NITS") rate approved by the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission ("FERC") in Docket No. ER17-217-000, et al.

Background

In its Orders dated October 22, 2003 (BPU Docket No. EO03050394) and October 22, 2004 (BPU Docket No. EO04040288), the Board of Public Utilities ("Board") authorized the EDCs to recover FERC-approved changes in firm transmission service-related charges. The Board has also authorized recovery of FERC-approved changes in firm transmission service-related charges in subsequent orders approving the Basic Generation Service ("BGS") supply procurement process and the associated Supplier Master Agreement ("SMA"). In the Board Order dated August 23, 2017 in BPU Docket No. ER17060671, the Board again concluded that such a "pass through" of FERC-approved transmission rate changes was appropriate.

On October 28, 2016, JCP&L filed a Petition with the FERC requesting approval of a formula rate for its NITS and Point-to-Point transmission service. On December 12, 2016, the EDCs filed a request with the Board, pursuant to Section 15.9 of the BGS SMAs, requesting authority to implement revised tariff rates effective January 1, 2017, and to compensate BGS Suppliers for the changes to the OATT resulting from the implementation of the JCP&L project annual formula updates effective on January 1, 2017. The EDCs' December 12, 2016 filing remains pending before the Board in BPU Docket No. ER16121152.

On October 31, 2017, JCP&L made its annual formula transmission rate update filing with FERC. Thereafter, on December 14, 2017, the EDCs filed a request with the Board, pursuant to Section 15.9 of the BGS SMAs, requesting authority to implement revised tariff rates effective January 1, 2018, and to compensate BGS Suppliers for the changes to the OATT resulting from the implementation of the JCP&L project annual formula updates effective on January 1, 2018. The EDCs' December 14, 2017 filing remains pending before the Board in BPU Docket No. ER17121284. However, because the updated formula transmission rate based on the October 31, 2017 update never became effective, the Board need not take any action with respect to the EDCs' December 14, 2017 filing.²

The parties to the JCP&L transmission rate case in in Docket No. ER17-217-000 thereafter reached a Settlement, and JCP&L filed an Offer of Settlement with the FERC on December 21, 2017. Among other things, the Settlement provides for a new, stated transmission rate for the JCP&L zone of PJM. On December 27, 2017, FERC's Chief Administrative Law Judge issued an

¹ JCP&L's formula rate became effective, subject to refund, on June 1, 2017. See 158 FERC ¶ 62,186 (March 10, 2017).

² This instant filing supplements the EDCs' December 12, 2016 filing and supersedes the EDCs' December 14, 2017 filing.



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order approving interim implementation of the Settlement Rate. 161 FERC ¶ 63,029 (December 27, 2017). The rate effective date of the new transmission rate is January 1, 2018. Id.

The EDCs' pro-forma tariff sheets, included as Attachment 2a (JCP&L), Attachment 3 (PSE&G), Attachment 4 (ACE) and Attachment 5 (RECO), propose effective dates of January 1, 2018, and specifically reflect changes to BGS rates applicable to Basic Generation Service – Residential Small Commercial Pricing ("BGS-RSCP"), and Commercial and Industrial Energy Pricing ("BGS-CIEP") customers resulting from the Settlement and new JCP&L transmission rate approved for service effective January 1, 2018. The specific additional PJM transmission charges related to the JCP&L filing are found in Schedule 12 of the PJM OATT. Please see Attachments 6, 7, and 8 (as described below) to this filing. Because BGS suppliers began paying these revised transmission charges effective January 1, 2018, the EDCs request a waiver of the 30-day filing requirement.

These Schedule 12 charges, also defined as Transmission Enhancement Charges ("TECs") in the PJM OATT, were implemented to compensate transmission owners for the annual transmission revenue requirements for "Required Transmission Enhancements" (again, as defined in the PJM OATT) that are requested by PJM for reliability or economic purposes. TECs are recovered by PJM through an additional transmission charge in the transmission zones assigned cost responsibility for Required Transmission Enhancement projects.

Request for Board Approval

The EDCs respectfully request approval to implement these revised tariff rates with a rate effective date of January 1, 2018. In support of this request, the EDCs have included pro-forma tariff sheets as noted above. The BGS rates have been modified in accordance with the Board-approved methodology contained in each EDC's Company-Specific Addendum in the above-referenced BGS proceedings and in conformance with each EDC's Board-approved BGS tariff sheets.

Attachment 1 shows the derivation of the JCP&L Network Integration Transmission Service Charge. Attachments 2(a) and 2(b) show the JCP&Ls pro-forma tariff sheets and the translation of JCP&L's NITS charge into retail customer rates. The translation of the transmission zone rate impact to the BGS rates of each of the other EDCs, assuming implementation on January 1, 2018, is included as Attachments 3, 4, and 5 for PSE&G, ACE, and RECO, respectively. Attachment 6 shows the cost impact of the JCP&L Schedule 12 Project Charges for the January through December 2018 period for each of the EDCs. Attachment 7 provides excerpts of the PJM OATT Schedule 12 Appendix indicating the responsible share of each such Project. Attachment 8 is the Offer of Settlement in the JCP&L transmission rate case, FERC Docket No. ER17-217-000, et al. Attachment 9 is JCP&L's Motion for Authorization to Implement Settlement Rate on an Interim Basis dated December 21, 2017. Attachment 10 is the



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FERC Order of Chief Judge Granting Motion for Interim Implementation of Settlement Rate, dated December 27, 2017.

The EDCs also request that BGS Suppliers be compensated for the changes to the OATT resulting from the implementation of JCP&L's revised NITS rate effective as of January 1, 2018. Suppliers will be compensated subject to the terms and conditions of the applicable SMAs. Any differences between payments to BGS-RSCP and BGS-CIEP Suppliers and charges to customers will flow through BGS Reconciliation Charges.

This filing satisfies the requirements of ¶¶ 15.9 (a)(i) and (ii) of the BGS-RSCP and BGS-CIEP SMAs, which mandate that BGS-RSCP and BGS-CIEP Suppliers be notified of rate increases for firm transmission service, and that the EDCs file for and obtain Board approval of an increase in retail rates commensurate with the FERC-implemented rate increase.

We thank the Board for all courtesies extended.

Respectfully submitted,

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