

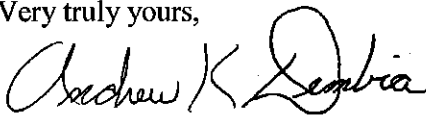
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January 22, 2020

To: County Clerk, Municipal Clerk and County Administrator
Re: In The Matter Of The Petition Of New Jersey Natural Gas for the Annual Review and Revision of Societal Benefits Charge Factors for Remediation Year 2019
BPU Docket No. GR19091314

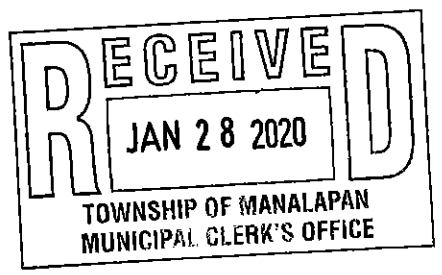
Pursuant to N.J.S.A. 48:2-32.6, New Jersey Natural Gas Company hereby serves upon you the Notice of Public Hearings in the above referenced matter. The subject hearings are scheduled for February 26, 2020 at 4:00 and 5:30 P.M. at the Freehold Township Municipal Building, One Municipal Plaza-Schanck Road, Freehold, New Jersey and on February 27, 2020 at 4:00 and 5:30 P.M. at the Rockaway Township Municipal Building, 65 Mt. Hope Road, Rockaway Township, New Jersey.

Very truly yours,


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Regulatory Affairs Counsel

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Enclosure



NOTICE TO NEW JERSEY NATURAL GAS COMPANY CUSTOMERS

Docket No. GR19091314

NOTICE OF SOCIETAL BENEFITS CHARGE FILING AND PUBLIC HEARING

TO OUR CUSTOMERS:

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that on September 20, 2019, New Jersey Natural Gas Company ("NJNG" or the "Company") filed its annual Societal Benefits Charge ("SBC") petition with the New Jersey Board of Public Utilities ("Board") for a price adjustment for all applicable service customers. Pursuant to its filing, NJNG requested that the Board permit NJNG to increase its overall SBC rate which would include increases to the Remediation Adjustment ("RA") and the New Jersey Clean Energy Program ("NJCEP") factors effective April 1, 2020.

The RA rate provides recovery of actual costs incurred by NJNG for the clean-up of former manufactured gas plant sites. The NJCEP rate is designed to recover costs incurred for NJNG's share of statewide energy efficiency and renewable energy expenditures.

If the Board approves the requested price adjustment, the impact will result in an overall increase of approximately \$0.69 per month or 0.68 percent for a residential heating customer using 100 therms per month. The above-referenced proposal will not result in any profit for NJNG.

If approved by the Board, the impact of the proposed changes to the RA and NJCEP factors on typical natural gas bills is illustrated below:

Customer Type	Therm Level (Usage)	Total Bill		Net Dollar Increase	Percent Increase
		Monthly Bill as of October 1, 2019	Proposed Monthly Bill as of April 1, 2020		
Residential Heat Sales	100	\$101.89	\$102.58	\$0.69	0.68%
Residential Non-Heat Sales	25	\$33.15	\$33.32	\$0.17	0.51%
General Service Small	100	\$114.46	\$115.15	\$0.69	0.60%
General Service Large	1200	\$1,175.85	\$1,184.13	\$8.28	0.70%

The Board has the statutory authority to establish the RA and NJCEP factors at levels it finds just and reasonable. Therefore, the Board may establish the RA and NJCEP factors at levels other than those proposed by NJNG. NJNG's SBC costs addressed in this petition will remain subject to audit by the Board, and Board approval shall not preclude or prohibit the Board from taking any such actions deemed appropriate as a result of any such audit.

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that public hearings have been scheduled for the following dates, times and places:

February 26, 2020 at 4:30 and 5:30 P.M.
Freehold Township Municipal Building
Conference Room
One Municipal Plaza, Schanck Road
Freehold, New Jersey 07728-3099

February 27, 2020 at 4:30 and 5:30 P.M.
Rockaway Township Municipal Building
Conference Room
65 Mt. Hope Road
Rockaway Township, New Jersey 07866-1698

The public is invited to attend and interested persons will be permitted to make a statement of their views on the proposed rate changes. In order to encourage full participation in this opportunity for public comment, please submit any requests for needed accommodations, including interpreter, listening devices or mobility assistance, 48 hours prior to this hearing. Regardless of whether they attend the hearing, members of the public may submit written comments concerning the petition to the Board by addressing them to Aida Camacho-Welch, Secretary, New Jersey Board of Public Utilities, 44 South Clinton Avenue 9th Floor, P.O. Box 350 Trenton, NJ 08625-0350. Copies of the Company's filing can be reviewed either at the NJNG Customer Service Centers listed on the Company Web site, or Go to: www.njng.com, click on "Regulatory Info", then click on "Public Notices" and then select the September 27, 2019 filing, Docket No.: GR19091314, or at the New Jersey Board of Public Utilities, 44 South Clinton Avenue, 2nd Floor, Trenton, NJ 08625-0350.

New Jersey Natural Gas Company
Andrew K. Dembia, Esq.