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ENERGY

IN THE MATTER OF THE PETITION OF PUBLIC SERVICE GAS AND ELECTRIC COMPANY FOR APPROVAL OF ITS CLEAN ENERGY FUTURE – ENERGY CLOUD (“CEF-EC”) PROGRAM ON A REGULATED BASIS)	ORDER DESIGNATING A COMMISSIONER, SETTING A BAR DATE AND MANNER OF SERVICE
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)	BPU DOCKET NO. EO18101115

Parties of Record:

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BY THE BOARD:¹

On October 11, 2018, Public Service Gas and Electric Company (“PSE&G” or “the Company”) filed a petition (“EC-AMI Petition”) with the New Jersey Board of Public Utilities (“Board”) for approval of the Company’s Clean Energy Future- Energy Cloud (“CEF-EC”) program on a regulated basis.

PSE&G requests the Board approve a five-year, \$7.3 billion program designed to implement an Advanced Metering Infrastructure (“AMI”) program within the PSE&G service territory. The Company states that the proposed AMI program will allow the Company greater visibility of its distribution system, as it will allow operators to “see” the status of the network down to the customer meter level, including which customers are still without power during an outage. The CEF-EC or AMI program will also help with restoration improvements which will include faster identification of “nested outages.” Without the CEF-EC Program, PSE&G alleges it is dependent on customers calling to report an outage, adding significant delay in restoration and customer frustration.

¹ Commissioner Robert M. Gordon recused himself due to a potential conflict of interest and as such took no part in the discussion or deliberation of this matter.

DISCUSSION

The Board has determined that the PSE&G's EV Petition described above should be retained by the Board for hearing and, pursuant to N.J.S.A.48:2-32, **HEREBY DESIGNATES** Commissioner Mary-Anna Holden as the presiding officer who is authorized to rule on all motions that arise during the pendency of these proceedings and modify any schedules that may be set as necessary to secure a just and expeditious determination of the issues.

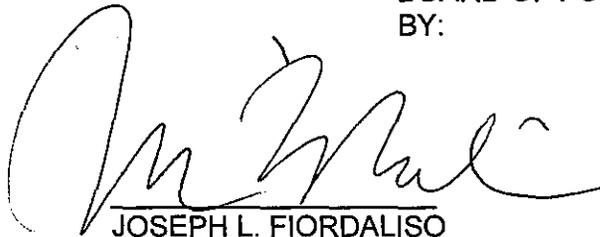
Further, the Board **HEREBY DIRECTS** that any entities seeking to intervene or participate in this matter file the appropriate application with the Board by November 16, 2018. Any party wishing to file a motion for admission of counsel, pro hac vice, should do so concurrently with any motion to intervene or participate.

To further enable the Board to effectively and efficiently carry out its mandate and to allow development of a complete record, the Board **HEREBY AUTHORIZES** Commissioner Holden to set and enforce a schedule for this matter. In the interests of economy, all parties are **HEREBY DIRECTED** to serve all documents electronically, while still providing hard copies to the Board for those documents which must be filed with the Board, and hard copies to each party upon request. Finally, the Board **HEREBY DIRECTS** Staff to post this Order on the Board's website.

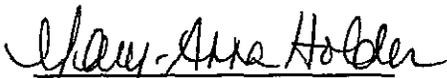
This Order shall be effective on November 8, 2018.

DATED: 10/29/18

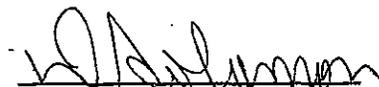
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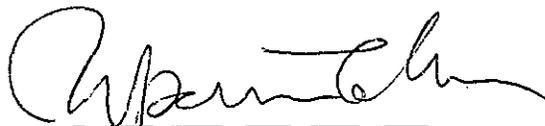
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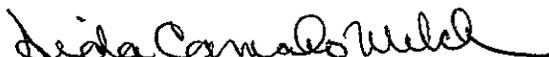


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