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Good Afternoon Board Staff,

My name is P Menash Oratz and I am here today as a New Jersey resident and as the Chief Operating Officer of Allied Extruders, Allied Plastics Holdings a member and partner of Sigma Plastics to encourage you to approve PSE&G's Clean Energy Future- Energy Cloud proposal.

Sigma Plastics Group has grown into North America's largest privately held manufacturer of extruded polyethylene films and flexible packaging. Founded in 1978 with just one facility, today we offer more than forty (40) locations across the United States and Canada. We're also proud to be a Certified Minority Owned Business that manufactures in the United States. We operate a dedicated research and development department to ensure we're on the cutting edge of the industry and to create high quality, proprietary blends unique to our diverse plastic products line. To continue our path of cutting edge and embracing technology to improve efficiency and our business, Energy Cloud is a natural next step.

Just like our own enhancements allow us to operate with customer account information at our fingertips, and our multiple manufacturing plants ensure timely delivery and fully stocked supply at a fraction of the time and shipping cost of our competitors- we expect and support our utility partners utilizing the highest level of technology to improve our customer experience. And beyond that, this program will strengthen and modernize the electric grid and, together with PSE&G's other proposed programs, will support a Clean Energy Future. The core of the Energy Cloud is the implementation of Advanced Metering Infrastructure (AMI), or smart meters. At the end of 2018, New Jersey had less than 100,000 advanced meters deployed, and ranked 48th out of 50 states in terms of advanced meter penetration. We have seen the benefits of these meters at our locations across the country and we fully support implementing the same program here in New Jersey. We encourage the Board to look favorably on the proposal and approve PSE&G's Clean Energy Future – Energy Cloud program.