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Re: IN THE MATTER OF THE IMPLEMENTATION OF <u>P.L.</u> 2018, <u>C.</u> 17 REGARDING THE ESTABLISHMENT OF ENERGY EFFICIENCY AND PEAK DEMAND REDUCTION PROGRAMS

IN THE MATTER OF THE PETITION OF NEW JERSEY NATURAL GAS COMPANY FOR APPROVAL OF ENERGY EFFICIENCY PROGRAMS AND THE ASSOCIATED COST RECOVERY MECHANISM PURSUANT TO THE CLEAN ENERGY ACT, N.J.S.A. 48:3-87.8 ET SEQ. AND 48:3-98.1 ET SEQ.

BPU Docket Nos. QO19010040 and GO20090622

Dear Mr. Dembia:

We are writing in response to the above-referenced petition, which New Jersey Natural Gas Company ("NJNG" or "the Company") filed with the Secretary of the New Jersey Board of Public Utilities ("Board") on September 25, 2020.

Board Staff has reviewed the petition for completeness, in accordance with the Board's June 10, 2020 Order in Docket Nos. QO19010040, QO19060648, and QO17091004 ("June 2020 Order"). Staff has determined that the petition is administratively complete with respect to the Board's Minimum Filing Requirements ("MFRs"). N.J.S.A. 48:3-98.1(b) provides the Board with 180 days to approve, modify, or deny NJNG'S requested recovery of costs for the above-referenced program. Therefore, the 180-day review period commenced on September 25, 2020.

Should you have any questions, please contact the undersigned.

Sincerely,

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