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September 3, 2013

Kristi Izzo, Secretary
New Jersey Board of Public Utilities
44 South Clinton Avenue, 9th Floor
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Re: In the Matter of the Petition of Pivotal Utility Holdings, Inc. d/b/a Elizabethtown Gas For Approval Of The Elizabethtown Natural gas Distribution Utility Reinforcement Effort Program and Deferred Accounting Treatment BPU Docket No. _____

Dear Secretary Izzo:

Enclosed for filing are an original and ten copies of the Petition of Pivotal Utility Holdings, Inc. d/b/a Elizabethtown Gas ("Elizabethtown" or "Company") for approval of the Elizabethtown Natural gas Distribution Utility Reinforcement Effort ("ENDURE") Program and Deferred Accounting Treatment.

This filing is being made in response to the Board's March 20, 2013 Order issued in BPU Docket No. AK13030197 inviting the submission of proposals for infrastructure upgrades designed to protect the State's utility infrastructure from future "major storm events". By this filing, Elizabethtown seeks to (i) implement an ENDURE Program to invest approximately \$15.0 million in Petitioner's natural gas infrastructure and related facilities and communication planning over a one year period commencing on January 1, 2014 and ending December 31, 2014 to harden and protect the Company's infrastructure against damage from future major storm events and to assist the Company in developing a more robust plan to effectively communicate with customers and public officials during and after weather-related emergencies; and (ii) utilize deferred accounting treatment for the costs of the program identical to the accounting treatment approved by the Board in an August 21, 2013 Order ("August 21 Order") issued in BPU Docket No. GO12070693. This filing is supported by the testimony and supporting schedules of Brian MacLean, Elizabethtown's Vice President of Operations, Michael Scacifero, Elizabethtown's Director of Engineering Services and Thomas Kaufmann, Elizabethtown's Manager of Rates and Tariffs.

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As indicated in the Petition and supporting testimony of Mr. Kaufmann, Elizabethtown is not proposing a rate change in this filing and, therefore, there is no immediate rate impact. As indicated in the filing, the Company will propose rate adjustments in the base rate case required to be filed by Elizabethtown no later than September 1, 2016 in accordance with the Board's August 21, 2013 Order in BPU Docket No. GO12070693.

Kindly acknowledge receipt and filing of the enclosures by date stamping the enclosed copy of this letter and returning it to us in the enclosed self-addressed and stamped envelope. Please contact the undersigned if you have any questions.

Respectfully submitted,



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Enclosures

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