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State of New Jersey - Board of Public Utilities Irene Kim Asbury, Secretary 44 South Clinton Ave, 9th Floor PO Box 350 Trenton, NJ 08625-0350

June 1, 2016

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Re:

West Orange Community Energy Aggregation (WOCEA) Program

Draft Opt-Out Notice and Program Summary to Residential Customers

Dear Ms. Asbury:

Please find attached, on behalf of the Township of West Orange, Essex County, New Jersey, and in accordance with the requirements of N.J.A.C. 14:4-6.6 (i) and (I), three (3) copies of the draft opt-out notice to residential customers, in connection with the second round of the West Orange Community Energy Aggregation ("WOCEA") program.

Please feel free to contact me at (732) 296-0770 should you have any questions or wish to discuss these documents.

Very Truly Yours,

Robert Chilton

Executive Vice-President

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The Township of West Orange

Community Energy Aggregation Program Round II Program Announcement

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As the result of the first WOCEA program, a contract was awarded to ConEdison Solutions in 2013. Thousands of Township residences enjoyed significant power supply savings. That contract, which began in March 2014 and expired in December 2015, saved the typical participating resident more than \$200 over 21 months. Effective December 2015, that contract expired, and all residents were seamlessly transitioned back to PSE&G power supply.

I'm now pleased to report that in May 2016 the Township conducted a new competitive bid and the Township awarded a new contract to the low bidder, Talen Energy. Talen Energy will serve participating residents starting in September 2016, at a price that is estimated to result in savings for the typical resident of about \$135 over the 15-month term.

All residential customers of PSE&G residing in the Township who do not currently have a third party supply contract, and who did not previously opt-out of the WOCEA-Round I contract, are eligible to be included in the program. If you do not wish to participate in the program for any reason, you may simply opt-out of the program, with no strings attached or penalties. If you do nothing, you will automatically be enrolled in the program and enjoy the energy savings. On a separate sheet in this package, there is a set of 'frequently asked questions' or 'FAQ's' about the WOCEA program. On the reverse side of this letter is a description of the specific details of the contract that the Township has signed with Talen Energy, as well as information on how to opt-out of the program should you not wish to participate. We have also posted WOCEA program information on the Township's website at http://www.westorange.org.

For residents seeking additional information, we have also scheduled an **Information Session on July ___, 2016 at _:__ p.m**., to be held in the Council Chambers at the Municipal Building located at 66 Main Street. The Township's energy consultant, Gabel Associates, will make a presentation and will then open up the session to questions from residents. I encourage you to attend that session should you have any questions.

I am very excited that the Township has been able take advantage of the competitive marketplace and the purchasing power that comes with energy aggregation to renew the WOCEA program and provide another opportunity for energy cost savings for our residents. *Please take the time to read the enclosed materials and familiarize yourself with this program.*

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