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TO: All Municipal Clerks in the South Jersey Gas Company Service Area and Freeholder Clerks of Atlantic County, Burlington County, Camden County, Cape May County, Cumberland County, Gloucester County, Salem County and County Executive of Atlantic County

RE: IN THE MATTER OF THE PETITION OF SOUTH JERSEY GAS COMPANY TO REVISE THE LEVEL OF ITS BASIC GAS SUPPLY SERVICE ("BGSS") CHARGE AND CONSERVATION INCENTIVE PROGRAM ("CIP") CHARGE FOR THE YEAR ENDING SEPTEMBER 30, 2020
B.P.U. DOCKET NO. GR19050679

IN THE MATTER OF THE PETITION OF SOUTH JERSEY GAS COMPANY FOR APPROVAL OF BASE RATE ADJUSTMENTS PURSUANT TO THE ACCELERATED INFRASTRUCTURE REPLACEMENT PROGRAM ("AIRP II")
B.P.U. DOCKET NO. GR19040528

IN THE MATTER OF SOUTH JERSEY GAS COMPANY'S 2019/2020 ANNUAL COMPLIANCE FILING FOR THE UNIVERSAL SERVICE FUND AND LIFELINE RATES WITHIN THE SOCIETAL BENEFITS CHARGE
B.P.U. DOCKET NOS. EX00020091 AND ER19060736

IN THE MATTER OF THE PETITION OF SOUTH JERSEY GAS COMPANY FOR THE APPROVAL OF BASE RATE ADJUSTMENTS PURSUANT TO THE STORM HARDENING AND RELIABILITY PROGRAM ("SHARP II")
BPU DOCKET NO. GR19040529

IN THE MATTER OF THE PETITION OF SOUTH JERSEY GAS COMPANY FOR THE APPROVAL TO REVISE THE COST RECOVERY CHARGE ASSOCIATED WITH THE ENERGY EFFICIENCY PROGRAMS ("EET CHARGE")
BPU DOCKET NO. GR19060726

IN THE MATTER OF THE PETITION OF SOUTH JERSEY GAS COMPANY FOR APPROVAL TO REVISE THE RIDER "H" RATE ASSOCIATED WITH THE TAX CUTS AND JOBS ACT OF 2017
B.P.U. DOCKET NO. GR19060701

Dear Municipal, Freeholder Clerks and Executive of Atlantic County:

Enclosed herewith for service upon you are copies of the Notice of Filing and of Public Hearing for each of the six (6) above referenced matters. Kindly take note of the location and date of the hearings.

Please do not hesitate to contact me with any questions you may have. Thank you for your attention.

Respectfully,

Deborah M. Franco, Esq.

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NOTICE OF FILING OF PETITION AND OF PUBLIC HEARING

IN THE MATTER OF THE PETITION OF SOUTH JERSEY GAS COMPANY TO REVISE THE LEVEL OF ITS BASIC GAS SUPPLY SERVICE (“BGSS”) CHARGE AND CONSERVATION INCENTIVE PROGRAM (“CIP”) CHARGE FOR THE YEAR ENDING SEPTEMBER 30, 2020

B.P.U. Docket No. GR19050679

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that, on May 31, 2019, South Jersey Gas Company (“South Jersey” or the “Company”) filed its combined 2019-2020 Basic Gas Supply Service (“BGSS”) and Conservation Incentive Program (“CIP”) petition (“Petition”) with the New Jersey Board of Public Utilities (“Board”). The BGSS component of the Petition was filed pursuant to the “Order Approving BGSS Price Structure” issued by the Board on January 6, 2003 in Docket No. GX01050304 (“Generic BGSS Order”). BGSS rates are designed to recover South Jersey’s cost of gas applicable to customers who purchase gas from South Jersey. The Company earns no profit from the BGSS. The CIP component of the Petition sought a price adjustment for all applicable service customers. The CIP is an incentive-based program that requires South Jersey to reduce gas supply related costs and limits recovery of non-weather related revenue loss to the level of gas supply costs savings achieved. Pursuant to its filing, South Jersey requested that the Board allow it to change its BGSS and CIP Charges.

The impact of the Company's combined proposals on the overall bill for gas service for a residential heating customer using 100 therms in a month would be a decrease of \$6.07, or 4.2 percent, resulting from South Jersey’s proposed: 1) BGSS decrease of \$9.59 per month, or 6.6 percent; 2) Rider “J” Balancing Service Clause - General Service (“BSC-GS”) increase of \$5.33, or 3.7%; and 3) CIP decrease of \$1.81, or 1.3 percent.

Related to the Company’s Rider “I” Balancing Service Clause - Large Volume (“BSC-LV”), the Company proposes to decrease its current Opt-Out after-tax per therm BSC-LV rate of \$0.003074 to \$0.002747, and to increase its current Non Opt-Out after-tax per therm BSC-LV rate of \$0.033851 to \$0.087115, which is equal to the Company’s proposed Rider “J” BSC-GS rate. All Balancing charge revenues from sales and transportation customers are credited to BGSS recoveries.

The chart below demonstrates the impact of the Periodic BGSS rate and the CIP rate changes:

Customer Type	Therm Level	Rates		Change	
		Bill as of June 1, 2019	Proposed Bill as of October 1, 2019	Amount	Percent
Residential Heat Sales	100	\$145.32	\$139.25	(\$6.07)	(4.2)%
Residential Non-Heat Sales	15	\$28.51	\$27.90	(\$0.61)	(2.1)%
General Service	500	\$648.37	\$616.59	(\$31.78)	(4.9)%
General Service - LV	15,646	\$14,108.47	\$14,974.79	\$866.32	6.1%

TAKE FURTHER NOTICE that other changes in South Jersey’s price for BGSS service may also occur if South Jersey elects to adjust its BGSS rates upward upon thirty days’ notice to Board Staff and Rate Counsel, pursuant to the Generic BGSS Order in Docket No. GX01050304. Any such self-implementing increases will be limited to a maximum of 5 percent (5%) of the total residential bill, effective December 1, 2019, and to a maximum of five percent (5%) of the total residential bill, effective February 1, 2020, as demonstrated in the chart below.

Customer Type	Therm Level	Rates		Change	
		Bill as of October 1, 2019	Proposed Bill Including December and February 5 Percent Increases	Amount	Percent
Residential Heat Sales	100	\$139.25	\$153.52	\$14.27	10.2%
Residential Non-Heat Sales	15	\$27.90	\$30.04	\$2.14	7.7%
General Service	500	\$616.59	\$687.95	\$71.36	11.6%
General Service - LV	15,646	\$14,974.79	\$14,974.79	\$0	0%

Further, these self-implementing increases will be provisional and subject to true-up in connection with the subsequent annual BGSS filing. Pursuant to the Generic BGSS Order, South Jersey is permitted to decrease its BGSS rate at any time upon five days' notice and supporting documentation to the Board and the Division of Rate Counsel.

The Board has the statutory authority to establish BGSS and CIP Charges at levels it finds just and reasonable. Therefore, the Board may establish BGSS and CIP Charges at levels other than those proposed by South Jersey. South Jersey's natural gas costs addressed in this Petition will remain subject to audit by the Board, and Board approval shall not preclude or prohibit the Board from taking any such actions deemed appropriate as a result of any such audit.

Copies of the Company's filing are available for inspection at the Company's offices located at One South Jersey Place, Atlantic City, New Jersey 08401, or at the Board located at 44 South Clinton Avenue, 2nd floor, Trenton, New Jersey 08625-0350. Any member of the public who wants to inspect the Petition at the Board may contact the Board's Division of Case Management at (609) 292-0806 to schedule an appointment.

The Company's filing may also be found online at www.southjerseygas.com/About-South-Jersey-Gas/Regulatory-Compliance-Tariff-Information.aspx.

NOTICE is further given that public hearings have been scheduled at the following date, times, and place on the Company's above-mentioned requests:

**August 20, 2019 at 4:30 p.m. and 5:30 p.m.
 Voorhees Township, Municipal Court
 Voorhees Town Center
 Voorhees, New Jersey 08043
 (located directly across from Township Library at 203 Laurel Road)**

The public is invited to attend and interested persons will be permitted to make a statement of their views on the proposed increases/decreases. In order to encourage full participation in this opportunity for public comment, please submit any requests for needed accommodations, including interpreter, listening devices or mobility assistance, forty-eight (48) hours prior to these hearings. In addition, members of the public may submit written comments concerning the Petition to the Board regardless of whether they attend a hearing by addressing them to Aida Camacho, Secretary, Board of Public Utilities, 44 S. Clinton Avenue, 3rd Floor Suite 314, P.O. Box 350, Trenton, NJ 08625-0350.

SOUTH JERSEY GAS COMPANY

By: David Robbins, Jr., President

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**NOTICE OF FILING OF PETITION
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**IN THE MATTER OF THE PETITION OF SOUTH JERSEY GAS COMPANY FOR
APPROVAL OF BASE RATE ADJUSTMENTS PURSUANT TO THE ACCELERATED
INFRASTRUCTURE REPLACEMENT PROGRAM (“AIRP II”)
DOCKET NO. GR19040528**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that, on April 30, 2019, South Jersey Gas Company (“South Jersey” or “Company”) filed a petition (“Petition”) with the New Jersey Board of Public Utilities (“Board”) seeking Board approval to increase base rates associated with the Company’s Accelerated Infrastructure Replacement Program (“AIRP II”). The Board approved the AIRP II and the associated cost recovery mechanism on October 31, 2016 in Docket No. GR16020175 (“Order”). The Order authorized the Company to invest \$302.5 million over a five (5) year period, commencing October 1, 2016 and ending September 30, 2021, to replace cast iron and unprotected bare steel mains and associated services. The Order also authorized the Company to make annual filings with the Board to recover the costs associated with AIRP II project investments, and to earn a return on and a return of those investments through annual adjustments to base rates. This Petition seeks Board approval to recover the revenue requirements associated with approximately \$64.5 million AIRP II projects placed in-service from July 1, 2018 through June 30, 2019 with an October 1, 2019 rate effective date. The purpose of the AIRP II program is to continue to eliminate aging and leak prone materials and enhance the reliability and safety of the Company’s gas distribution system.

If the proposed increase is approved by the Board, the bill impacts on typical Residential and General Service customers using less than 5,000 therms per year is estimated to be as follows:

Residential Service (“RSG”)

Monthly Therm Level	Monthly Bill as of July 1, 2019 ⁽¹⁾	Monthly Bill as of October 1, 2019 ⁽²⁾	Dollar Increase	Percent Increase
25	\$43.93	\$44.42	\$0.49	1.1%
100	\$145.32	\$147.29	\$1.97	1.4%
200	\$280.50	\$284.46	\$3.96	1.4%

General Service (“GSG”) (Using less than 5,000 therms per year)

Monthly Therm Level	Monthly Bill as of July 1, 2019 ⁽¹⁾	Monthly Bill as of October 1, 2019 ⁽²⁾	Dollar Increase	Percent Increase
500	\$648.37	\$656.23	\$7.86	1.2%
1,000	\$1,264.78	\$1,280.49	\$15.71	1.2%
2,000	\$2,497.60	\$2,529.02	\$31.42	1.3%

(1) Based upon current Delivery Rates and Basic Gas Supply Service (“BGSS”) charges in effect July 1, 2019 and assumes that the customer receives BGSS service from South Jersey.

(2) Same as (1) except includes base rate changes associated with AIRP II.

The following Rate Schedules will also be affected by the Company’s proposed base rate increase: General Service – Large Volume (“GSG-LV”), Comprehensive Firm Transportation Service (“CTS”), Large

Volume Service (“LVS”), Electric Generation Service (“EGS”), Electric Generation Service – Large Volume (“EGS-LV”), Natural Gas Vehicle Service (“NGV”), Yard Lights Service (“YLS”) and Street Lights Service (“SLS”).

The effect of the proposed increase would be an increase of \$1.97 or 1.4% for a residential customer using one-hundred (100) therms of gas during the winter months.

Pursuant to N.J.S.A. 48:3-1, any relief determined by the Board to be just and reasonable may be allocated to customers in such manner, and in such amounts or percentages, as the Board may deem appropriate. The Board may authorize an increase on any customer class or group, or may exclude from increase any customer class or group, varying the percentage increase applicable. Therefore, the Board may approve an AIRP II base rate adjustment that is different than the rate proposed by South Jersey.

Copies of the Company’s filing are available for inspection at the Company’s offices located at One South Jersey Place, Atlantic City, New Jersey 08401, or at the Board, 44 South Clinton Avenue, 2nd Floor, Trenton, New Jersey 08625-0350. The Company’s filing may also be found on the South Jersey website at <https://www.southjerseygas.com/About-South-Jersey-Gas/Regulatory-Compliance-Tariff-Information.aspx>. Any member of the public who wants to inspect the Petition at the Board may contact the Board’s Division of Case Management at (609) 292-0806 to schedule an appointment.

NOTICE is further given that public hearings are scheduled at the following date, times, and place on the Company’s petition:

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Voorhees Town Center
Voorhees, New Jersey 08043
(located directly across from Township Library at 203 Laurel Road)**

The public is invited to attend and make a statement of their views on the proposed rate increases. Such comments will be made a part of the final record. In order to encourage full participation in this opportunity for public comment, please submit any requests for needed accommodations, including interpreter, listening devices or mobility assistance, forty-eight (48) hours prior to this hearing. Written requests and public comments may be submitted to the Board to: Aida Camacho-Welch, Secretary, Board of Public Utilities, 44 S. Clinton Avenue, 3rd Floor Suite 314, P.O. Box 350, Trenton, NJ 08625-0350.

**SOUTH JERSEY GAS COMPANY
By: David Robbins, Jr.
President**

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PROPOSING TO CHANGE EXISTING RATE

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IN THE MATTER OF SOUTH JERSEY GAS COMPANY'S ANNUAL COMPLIANCE FILING FOR AN INCREASE IN THE UNIVERSAL SERVICE FUND AND LIFELINE RATES WITHIN THE SOCIETAL BENEFITS CLAUSE CHARGE

**IN THE MATTER OF SOUTH JERSEY GAS COMPANY'S 2019/2020 ANNUAL COMPLIANCE FILING FOR THE UNIVERSAL SERVICE FUND AND LIFELINE RATES WITHIN THE SOCIETAL BENEFITS CHARGE
BPU DOCKET NOS. EX00020091 and ER19060736**

NOTICE IS HERE BY GIVEN that pursuant the Electric Discount and Energy Competition Act, N.J.S.A. 48:3-49, et seq., the Universal Service Fund ("USF") program was established by the New Jersey Board of Public Utilities ("Board"), to provide funds to assist qualifying low-income individuals in paying their energy bills. Pursuant to Board Orders dated April 30, 2003, July 16, 2003, June 30, 2004 and June 22, 2005, the State's electric and gas public utilities' Societal Benefits Charges ("SBC") provides recovery of funding for the USF program through uniform statewide rates. The SBC also includes funding for the Lifeline program which incorporates funds for the Work First NJ program .,

The State of New Jersey's Department of Community Affairs is the Administrator of the USF program and the New Jersey Department of Human Services is the Administrator of the Lifeline programs and authorizes the disbursement of benefits to eligible customers in the respective programs.

South Jersey Gas Company ("South Jersey" or "Company") made a compliance filing with the Board on June 24, 2019, requesting authority to implement an increase related to the statewide USF/Lifeline program charge, as described below, to be effective on October 1, 2019. Based upon the results and available estimates known to date for the 2018/2019 USF program year, and the available estimates for the 2019/2020 USF program year, it is anticipated that the USF rate should be set to collect \$111.4 million, of which \$83.0 million would be recovered through electric rates with the remaining \$28.4 million recovered through gas rates on a statewide basis. The Lifeline rates should be set to collect \$74.6 million, of which, \$50.7 million would be recovered through electric rates with the remaining \$23.9 million recovered through gas rates on a statewide basis.

The current after-tax USF/Lifeline program charge for natural gas customers is \$0.0103 per therm. The changes in rates inclusive of taxes are as follows: (i) the USF program charge will increase from \$0.0049 per therm to \$0.0066 per therm or \$0.0017 per therm and (ii) the Lifeline program charge will increase from \$0.0054 per therm to \$0.0055 per therm or \$0.0001 per therm. The proposed after-tax USF/Lifeline program charge will increase to \$0.0121 per therm. The above request will not result in any profit to the Company. The revenues received under the proposed USF charge are designed to permit the Company to recover only its costs for the USF and Lifeline program. Actual program costs will be reconciled with the revenues received through the USF program charge in the next annual filing scheduled to be made no later than July 1, 2020.

The proposed statewide rates inclusive of taxes for customers are as follows:

If approved by the Board, the impact of the proposed changes in the USF and Lifeline Charges on typical Residential and General Service customers using less than 5,000 therms per year is estimated to be as follows:

Residential Service (RSG)

Therm Level	Bill as of June 24, 2019	Bill as of October 1, 2019	Dollar Increase	Percent Increase
25	\$43.93	\$43.97	\$0.04	0.09%
100	\$145.32	\$145.50	\$0.18	0.12%
200	\$280.50	\$280.86	\$0.36	0.13%

General Service (GSG) (Using less than 5,000 therms per year)

Therm Level	Bill as of June 24, 2019	Bill as of October 1, 2019	Dollar Increase	Percent Increase
500	\$648.37	\$649.27	\$0.90	0.14%
1,000	\$1,264.78	\$1,266.58	\$1.80	0.14%
2,000	\$2,497.60	\$2,501.20	\$3.60	0.14%

Based on this filing, the bill of a typical residential gas customer using 100 therms per month would see an increase in their monthly bill from \$145.32 to \$145.50, or \$0.18 or approximately 0.12%

The Board has the statutory authority to establish the USF and Lifeline charges at levels it finds just and reasonable. Therefore, the Board may establish the USF and Lifeline charges at levels other than those proposed by South Jersey.

Copies of the Company's filing are available for inspection at the Company offices located at One South Jersey Place, Atlantic City, New Jersey 08401, online at South Jersey's Website at www.southjerseygas.com/About-South-Jersey-Gas/Regulatory-Compliance-Tariff-Information.aspx, or at the Board offices located at 44 South Clinton Avenue, 2nd Floor, Trenton, New Jersey 08625-0350. Any member of the public who wants to inspect the petition at the Board may contact the Board's Division of Case Management at (609) 292-0806 to schedule an appointment.

NOTICE is further given that public hearings have been scheduled at the following date, times, and place on the Company's above-mentioned requests.

August 20, 2019 at 4:30 P.M and 5:30 P.M.

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2400 Voorhees Town Center

Voorhees, NJ 08043

(Located directly across from Township Library at 203 Laurel Road)

The public is invited to attend and interested persons will be permitted to testify and/or make a statement of their views on the proposed increases. Information provided at the public hearings will become part of the record of this case and will be considered by the Board in making its decision. **In order to encourage full participation in this opportunity for public**

comment, please submit any requests for needed accommodations, including interpreter, listening devices or mobility assistance, 48 hours prior to this hearing. Regardless of whether they attend the hearing members of the public may submit written comments concerning the petition to the Board by addressing them to: Aida Camacho-Welch, Secretary, New Jersey Board of Public Utilities, 44 South Clinton Avenue, 3rd Floor, Suite 314, P.O. Box 350, Trenton, NJ 08625-0350.

SOUTH JERSEY GAS COMPANY

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NOTICE OF FILING OF PETITION AND OF PUBLIC HEARING

IN THE MATTER OF THE PETITION OF SOUTH JERSEY GAS COMPANY FOR
APPROVAL TO REVISE THE RIDER "H" RATE ASSOCIATED WITH THE TAX CUTS AND
JOBS ACT OF 2017

DOCKET NO. GR19060701

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that, on June 3, 2019, South Jersey Gas Company ("South Jersey" or "Company") filed its first annual true-up petition ("Petition") with the New Jersey Board of Public Utilities ("Board") seeking approval to increase its Rider "H" rate, which was initially established on October 1, 2018 by way of Board Order issued on September 17, 2018 in Docket Nos. AX18010001 and GR18030230 (the "September 2018 Order"). Rider "H" is designed to refund the Company's excess deferred income taxes resulting from the Tax Cuts and Jobs Act of 2017.

The Company proposes to increase its Rider "H" to a credit rate of \$0.012207 per therm, including taxes, in order to refund a total amount of approximately \$6.8 million for the period October 1, 2019 through September 30, 2020. The proposed Rider "H" credit rate would be applicable to all customer classes identified in Rider "H" to the Company's Tariff. The impact of this increase on the bill of a typical residential heating customer using 100 therms of natural gas in a winter month is an increase of \$0.08 or 0.1%.

If the proposed increase is approved by the Board, the bill impacts on typical Residential and General Service customers using less than 5,000 therms per year are estimated to be as follows:

Residential Service (RSG)

Therm Level	Bill as of May 31, 2019 ⁽¹⁾	Bill as of October 1, 2019 ⁽²⁾	Dollar Increase	Percent Increase
25	\$43.93	\$43.95	\$0.02	0.0%
100	\$145.32	\$145.40	\$0.08	0.1%
200	\$280.50	\$280.67	\$0.17	0.1%

General Service (GSG) (Using less than 5,000 therms per year)

Therm Level	Bill as of May 31, 2019 ⁽¹⁾	Bill as of October 1, 2019 ⁽²⁾	Dollar Increase	Percent Increase
500	\$648.37	\$648.79	\$0.42	0.1 %
1,000	\$1,264.78	\$1,265.62	\$0.84	0.1%
2,000	\$2,497.60	\$2,499.27	\$1.67	0.1%

(1) Based upon current Delivery Rates and Basic Gas Supply Service (BGSS) charges in effect July 1, 2019 and assumes that the customer receives BGSS service from South Jersey Gas.

(2) Same as (1) except includes change in Rider "H" rate.

Pursuant to N.J.S.A. 48:3-1, any relief determined by the Board to be just and reasonable may be allocated to customers in such manner, and in such amounts or percentages as the Board may deem appropriate. The Board may authorize an increase on any customer class or group or may exclude from increase any customer class or group, varying the percentage increase applicable. Therefore, the Board may approve a Rider "H" rate that is different than the rate proposed by South Jersey.

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IN THE MATTER OF THE PETITION OF SOUTH JERSEY GAS COMPANY FOR
APPROVAL OF BASE RATE ADJUSTMENTS PURSUANT TO THE STORM HARDENING
AND RELIABILITY PROGRAM (“SHARP II”)
DOCKET NO. GR19040529

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that, on April 30, 2019 South Jersey Gas Company (“South Jersey” or “Company”) filed a petition (“Petition”) with the New Jersey Board of Public Utilities (“Board”) seeking Board approval to increase base rates associated with the Company’s Storm Hardening and Reliability Program (“SHARP II”). The Board approved the SHARP II and the associated cost recovery mechanism on May 22, 2018 in Docket No. GO17111130 (“Order”). The Order authorized the Company to invest approximately \$100.25 million over a three (3)-year period, commencing June 1, 2018 and ending June 30, 2021, to enhance the safety and reliability of the Company’s system through four (4) targeted projects within the coastal regions: (1) Excess Flow Valve Installations; (2) the Absecon Island Loop Project; (3) the Ocean City Loop Project; and (4) the Brigantine Beach Project. The Order also authorized the Company to make annual filings with the Board to recover the costs associated with SHARP II investments, and to earn a return of those investments through annual adjustments to base rates. This Petition seeks Board approval to recover the revenue requirements associated with SHARP II projects placed in-service from June 1, 2018 through June 30, 2019 which totaled \$27.40 million with an October 1, 2019 rate effective date. The purpose of the SHARP II program is to improve the safety, redundancy, resiliency and integrity of South Jersey’s gas distribution system infrastructure in coastal areas, making it less susceptible to storm damage.

If the proposed increase is approved by the Board, the bill impacts on typical Residential and General Service customers using less than 5,000 therms per year is estimated to be as follows:

Residential Service (“RSG”)

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25	\$43.93	\$44.14	\$0.21	0.5%
100	\$145.32	\$146.19	\$0.87	0.6%
200	\$280.50	\$282.24	\$1.74	0.6%

General Service (“GSG”) (Using less than 5,000 therms per year)

Therm Level	Bill as of July 1, 2019 ⁽¹⁾	Bill as of October 1, 2019 ⁽²⁾	Dollar Increase	Percent Increase
500	\$648.37	\$651.83	\$3.46	0.5%
1,000	\$1,264.78	\$1,271.70	\$6.92	0.5%
2,000	\$2,497.60	\$2,511.44	\$13.84	0.6%

(1) Based upon current Delivery Rates and Basic Gas Supply Service (BGSS) charges in effect July 1, 2019 and assumes that the customer receives BGSS service from South Jersey Gas.

(2) Same as (1) except includes base rate changes associated with SHARP II.

The following Rate Schedules will also be affected by the Company's proposed base rate increase: General Service – Large Volume ("GSG-LV"), Comprehensive Firm Transportation Service ("CTS"), Large Volume Service ("LVS"), Electric Generation Service ("EGS"), Electric Generation Service – Large Volume ("EGS-LV"), Natural Gas Vehicle Service ("NGV"), Yard Lights Service ("YLS") and Street Lights Service ("SLS").

The effect of the proposed increase would be an increase of \$0.87 or 0.6% for a residential customer using 100 therms of gas during the winter months.

Pursuant to N.J.S.A. 48:3-1, any relief determined by the Board to be just and reasonable may be allocated to customers in such manner, and in such amounts or percentages, as the Board may deem appropriate. The Board may authorize an increase on any customer class or group, or may exclude from increase any customer class or group, varying the percentage increase applicable. Therefore, the Board may approve a SHARP II base rate adjustment that is different than the rate proposed by South Jersey.

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The public is invited to attend and make a statement of their views on the proposed increases. Such comments will be made a part of the final record. In order to encourage full participation in this opportunity for public comment, please submit any requests for needed accommodations, including interpreter, listening devices or mobility assistance, forty-eight (48) hours prior to this hearing. Written requests and comments may be submitted to the Board to: Aida Camacho, Secretary, Board of Public Utilities, 44 S. Clinton Avenue, 3rd Floor Suite 314, P.O. Box 350, Trenton, NJ 08625-0350.

SOUTH JERSEY GAS COMPANY

**By: David Robbins, Jr.
President**

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BOARD OF PUBLIC UTILITIES
TRENTON, NJ

NOTICE OF FILING OF PETITION
AND OF PUBLIC HEARING

IN THE MATTER OF THE PETITION OF SOUTH JERSEY GAS COMPANY FOR
APPROVAL TO REVISE THE COST RECOVERY CHARGE ASSOCIATED WITH ENERGY
EFFICIENCY PROGRAMS (“EET CHARGE”)
BPU DOCKET NO. GR19060726

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that, on June 17, 2019, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 48:3-98.1, South Jersey Gas Company (“South Jersey” or “Company”) filed a Petition with the New Jersey Board of Public Utilities (“Board”) seeking approval to increase its Energy Efficiency Tracker (“EET”) and to continue to recover all costs associated with its Energy Efficiency Programs (“EETPs”). The EETPs will provide participating customers with increased incentives to reduce their natural gas consumption.

South Jersey proposes to recover the costs of its EETPs through its EET which will operate in a manner consistent with the existing Board-approved mechanism. The proposed EET charge would be applied to all customer classes. If approved by the Board, the impact of the proposed changes in the EET Charge on typical Residential Heating and those General Service customers using less than 5,000 therms per year would be:

Residential Heating Service (RSG)

Therm Level	Bill as of June 1, 2019 (1)	Bill as of October 1, 2019 (2)	Dollar Increase	Percent Increase
25	\$43.93	\$43.99	\$0.06	0.1%
100	\$145.32	\$145.56	\$0.24	0.2%
200	\$280.50	\$280.98	\$0.48	0.2%

General Service (GSG) (Using less than 5,000 therms per year)

Therm Level	Bill as of June 1, 2019 (1)	Bill as of October 1, 2019 (2)	Dollar Increase	Percent Increase
500	\$648.37	\$649.58	\$1.21	0.2%
1,000	\$1,264.78	\$1,267.20	\$2.42	0.2%
2,000	\$2,497.60	\$2,502.43	\$4.83	0.2%

(1) Based upon current Delivery Rates and Basic Gas Supply Service (BGSS) charges in effect May 15, 2019 and assumes that the customer receives BGSS service from South Jersey.

(2) Same as (1) except includes change in EET charge.

Pursuant to N.J.S.A. 48:3-1, any relief determined by the Board to be just and reasonable may be allocated to customers in such manner, and in such amounts or percentages, as the Board may deem appropriate. The Board may authorize an increase on any customer class or group or may exclude from increase any customer class or group, varying the percentage increase applicable. Therefore, the Board may authorize and approve an EET charge at an amount different than the amount proposed by South Jersey.

Copies of the Company’s filing can be reviewed either at the Company offices located at One South Jersey Place, Atlantic City, New Jersey 08401 or on the South Jersey website at

<https://www.southjerseygas.com/About-South-Jersey-Gas/Regulatory-Compliance-Tariff-Information.aspx>, or at the Board offices located at 44 South Clinton Avenue, 2nd Floor, Trenton, New Jersey 08625-0350. Any members of the public who wants to inspect the petition at the Board may contact the Board's Division of Case Management at (609) 292-0806 to schedule an appointment.

NOTICE is further given that public hearings are scheduled on the following date, times, and place on the Company's above mentioned requests:

August 20, 2019 at 4:30 P.M. and 5:30 P.M.
Voorhees Township, Municipal Court
2400 Voorhees Town Center
Voorhees, New Jersey 08043
(Located directly across from Township Library at 203 Laurel Road)

The public is invited to attend and make a statement of their views on the proposed rate increases. Such comments will be made a part of the final record. In order to encourage full participation in this opportunity for public comment, please submit any requests for needed accommodations, including interpreter, listening devices or mobility assistance, forty-eight (48) hours prior to this hearing. Regardless of whether they attend the hearing, members of the public may submit written comments concerning the petition to the Board by addressing them to: Aida Camacho-Welch, Secretary, New Jersey Board of Public Utilities, 44 South Clinton Avenue, 3rd Floor, Suite 314, P.O. Box 350, Trenton, NJ 08625-0350 or by email to board.secretary@bpu.nj.gov.

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