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## **VIA EMAIL**

Aida Camacho-Welch, Secretary Board of Public Utilities 44 South Clinton Ave., 9th Floor Trenton, New Jersey 08625

Re: In re Petition of Atlantic City Electric Company for Approval of a

**Voluntary Program for Plug-In Vehicle Charging** 

BPU Docket No. EO18020190

Dear Secretary Camacho-Welch:

On behalf of Zeco Systems, Inc. d/b/a/ Greenlots ("Greenlots"), please find enclosed Greenlots' opposition to Rate Counsel's motion to dismiss filed on April 13, 2020 in the above-referenced matter. Copies have been provided via electronic mail to all parties and individuals as set forth in the official service list in this matter.

Respectfully submitted,

/s/Nathan C. Howe

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**Enclosures** 

## STATE OF NEW JERSEY

## BEFORE THE BOARD OF PUBLIC UTILITIES

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## GREENLOTS' OPPOSITION TO MOTION TO DISMISS

Zeco Systems, Inc. d/b/a Greenlots ("Greenlots"), by counsel, respectfully requests that the New Jersey Board of Public Utilities ("Board") deny the Motion to Dismiss filed by the Division of Rate Counsel on April 13, 2020. In support of this request, Greenlots submits the following.

- 1. <u>A motion to dismiss is premature</u>. The program for plug-in vehicle charging ("PIV Program") proposed by Atlantic City Electric ("ACE") should be addressed on its merits, within the established protocol of a docketed proceeding before this Board. The PIV Program includes a multi-faceted portfolio of offerings, many of which implicate different regulatory considerations as to the appropriate role for the utility, appropriate treatment of cost recovery, and other important matters. To summarily dismiss the entire petition would do a disservice not only to the matters at hand in this instant proceeding, but also work against the State's broader public policy goals relating to transportation electrification.
- 2. <u>The PIV Program is directly relevant to New Jersey's statutory electrification</u> commitments. The Plug-in Vehicle Act ("PIV Act"), P.L. 2019, c. 362 (Jan. 17, 2020), *N.J.S.A.* 48:25-1, *et seq.*, enacted by the legislature and signed into law by the Governor earlier this year,

establishes bold, urgent and clearly defined requirements for transportation electrification, and

moreover, identifies critical roles for both the Board and the state's electric public utilities in

meeting those commitments. The PIV Program proposed by ACE is an important step towards

achieving the State's goals. Greenlots respectfully submits that the Board has an obligation to the

citizens of New Jersey to afford ACE's petition full and fair consideration on the merits, and

only after receiving substantial stakeholder input from which the Board may pragmatically

weight the pros and cons of ACE's proposed programs.

Greenlots and other parties in this proceeding have direct and material interests in

its outcome. The Board, in granting Greenlots' and other parties' motions to intervene, has

already acknowledged that Greenlots and the other intervenors "will be directly affected by the

outcome of this proceeding and will measurably and constructively contribute to the scope of the

case." Greenlots' and others' contributions to this proceeding are critical to the Board's

informed consideration and judgment as to how this proceeding can further the state's goals.

For the above reasons, Greenlots respectfully requests that the Board deny the Division of

Rate Counsel's motion to dismiss.

Dated: May 4, 2020

Respectfully submitted,

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<sup>1</sup> Prehearing Order, In re Petition of Atlantic City Electric Company for Approval of a Voluntary Program for Plug-

In Vehicle Charging, BPU Docket No. EO18020190, at p. 6 (Apr. 9, 2020)

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