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December 22, 2020

Honorable Aida Camacho-Welch Secretary State of New Jersey Board of Public Utilities 44 South Clinton Avenue, 9th Floor Post Office Box 350 Trenton, New Jersey 08625-0350

Re: In the Matter of The Implementation of <u>L.</u>2018, <u>C.</u>16 Regarding the

Establishment of a Zero Emission Certificate Program for Eligible Nuclear Power

**Plants** 

In the Matter of the Petition of Rockland Electric Company for Approval of a Zero

**Emission Certificate Recovery Charge** 

BPU Docket Nos. EO18080899 and EO18091005

Dear Secretary Camacho-Welch:

Rockland Electric Company ("RECO" or the "Company") hereby submits for filing with the New Jersey Board of Public Utilities (the "Board") 2nd Revised Leaf No. 61 to its Schedule for Electric Service, B.P.U. No. 3 – ELECTRICITY. The tariff leaf included as Attachment A is issued on December 22, 2020 to become effective January 1, 2021.

This filing is made in compliance with the Board's <u>Order Approving a Modified Zero Emission</u> <u>Certificate Recovery Charge Tariff</u> dated December 16, 2020, in the above-referenced dockets (the "December Order").

On October 23, 2020, RECO submitted a filing with the Board seeking to refund the excess Zero Emission Certificate ("ZEC") collections and corresponding interest related to Energy Years 2019 and 2020 through the ZEC Reconciliation Charge component of the ZEC Recovery Charge over a 12-month period commencing January 1, 2021. As approved in the December Order, the ZEC Reconciliation Charge rate will be set at a credit of 0.0163 ¢ per kWh, including Sales and Use Tax ("SUT"), resulting in a combined ZEC Recovery Charge of 0.4102 ¢ per kWh, including SUT, effective January 1, 2021.

Please note that the Company is making this filing solely in electronic form pursuant to the Board's directive in its Emergency Order dated March 19, 2020 in BPU Docket No. EO20030254.

Questions regarding this filing can be directed to Cheryl Ruggiero at (212) 460-3189.

Respectfully,

/s/

William A. Atzl, Jr. Director – Rate Engineering



## **GENERAL INFORMATION**

## No. 37 ZERO EMISSION CERTIFICATE ("ZEC") RECOVERY CHARGE

The Zero Emission Certificate Recovery Charge ("ZEC Charge") provides a charge for the recovery of costs associated with the Zero Emission Certificate Program directed by the Board of Public Utilities ("BPU" or "Board") as detailed below. The ZEC charge is applicable to the kWh usage of any Full Service Customer or Retail Access Customer served under this Schedule.

	Excluding SUT (¢ per kWh)	Including SUT (¢ per kWh)
ZEC Charge	0.4000	0.4265
ZEC Reconciliation Charge	(0.0153)	(0.0163)
Total ZEC Charge	0.3847	0.4102

Pursuant to the BPU's Zero Emission Certificate Charge Order dated November 19, 2018 in Docket No. EO18091005, the Board approved the implementation of a non-bypassable, irrevocable ZEC Charge of \$0.004000 per kWh for all customers. The ZEC Charge reflects the emission avoidance benefits of the continued operation of selected nuclear plants as determined in L. 2018, c.16 (the "ZEC Law"). The ZEC Charge has been set at the rate specified in the ZEC Law and may be adjusted periodically by the Board, in accordance with the methodology provided for in the ZEC Law.

In accordance with the ZEC Law, the proceeds of the ZEC Charge will be placed in a separate, interest-bearing account and will be used solely to purchase ZECs and to reimburse the Board for its reasonable, verifiable costs incurred to implement the ZEC program. Refunds will be provided to the customers served under each of the Company's service classifications in proportion to the ZEC Charge revenues contributed by the service classification.

The ZEC Charge will become effective upon the issuance of the April 2019 Board Order in Docket No. EO18091005.

ISSUED: December 22, 2020 EFFECTIVE: January 1, 2021

ISSUED BY: Robert Sanchez, President

Mahwah, New Jersey 07430

Filed pursuant to Order of Board of Public Utilities, State of new Jersey, dated December 16, 2020 in Docket Nos. EO18080899 and EO18091005.