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Honorable Aida Camacho-Welch
Secretary
State of New Jersey
Board of Public Utilities
44 South Clinton Avenue, 9th Floor
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Re: In the Matter of the Petition of Rockland Electric Company for Approval of a Zero Emission Certificate Recovery Charge
BPU Docket No.

Dear Secretary Camacho-Welch:

Rockland Electric Company ("RECO" or the "Company") hereby submits for filing with the New Jersey Board of Public Utilities ("Board") Leaf No. 61 in draft format reflecting revisions to its Schedule for Electric Service B.P.U. No. 3 – Electricity (the "Electric tariff").

In the legislation establishing the Zero Emissions Certificate Recovery Charge ("ZECRC") the New Jersey Electric Distribution Companies ("EDCs") were directed to return excess amount collected in each EDC's separate, interest bearing account to its retail distribution customers at the end of each energy year. In this filing, RECO is proposing to refund the excess collections from Energy Year 2021 and the balance of Reconciliation for Energy Year 2020.

The Company is proposing to refund the excess ZECRC collection and corresponding interest over a twelve month period commencing January 1, 2022 via the previously established Return of Excess Collections Credit Rate ("RECCR"), which is a component of the ZECRC and is currently set at a credit of \$0.000153 per kWh (excluding Sales and Use Tax ("SUT")). The proposed RECCR is a credit of \$0.000239 per kWh (excluding SUT). The Company will monitor the ZECRC excess collection balance and, as it approaches zero, the Company proposes to file with the Board no later than 30 days prior to making the change effective to set the RECCR to zero. Any excess balance remaining at that point will be included in the Company's next RECCR filing.

This filing includes the following:

Attachment A – Calculation of ZECRC rate including return of excess collections credit
Attachment B – Redlined and Final Electric Tariff Sheets

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

**Rockland Electric Company
Zero Emission Certificate (ZEC) Recovery Charge; and
Calculation of ZEC Reconciliation Charge
For Rate Effective January 1, 2022**

December 2021 Ending Credit Balance Including Interest	(\$228,435)
Balance for Energy Year 2020-2021 Including Interest	<u>(118417)</u>
Total Refund due Customers	(346,852)
 kWh Sales Forecast (January - December 2022)	 1,448,674,000
 Calculation of Proposed ZEC Reconciliation Charge (w/o SUT)	 <u>(0.000239)</u>
 Sales and Use Tax Rate	 6.625%
 <u>ZECRC</u>	
<u>Current</u>	
Charge	\$0.004000
Return of Excess Collections	<u>(0.000153)</u>
Total Charge (w/o SUT)	\$0.003847
Total Charge (w SUT)	\$0.004102
 <u>Proposed</u>	
Charge	\$0.004000
Return of Excess Collections	<u>(0.000239)</u>
Total Charge (w/o SUT)	\$0.003761
Total Charge (w SUT)	\$0.004010
 Surcharge / (Credit) Reconciliation Rate including SUT (\$/kWh)	 (\$0.000092)
 Surcharge / (Credit) Reconciliation Rate including SUT (¢/kWh)	 (0.0092)

Rockland Electric Company New Jersey EDC ZEC Calculations EY 2021 (thru 5/31/2021)										
Month	Sales Volumes (MWh)	Gross Billing (in SUT)	Utility Revenues (\$)	Cumulative Collection	Average Bal	Annual Interest	Daily Interest Rate	# Days in Period	Interest Expense	
6/30/2020	123,614	527,215	\$ 494,456.93	\$ 494,456.93	\$ 247,228.46	0.00990	0.0000271	30	\$ 201.17	
7/31/2020	159,377	679,743	\$ 637,508.12	\$ 1,131,965.05	\$ 813,210.99	0.00990	0.0000271	31	\$ 683.77	
8/31/2020	171,768	732,590	\$ 687,071.88	\$ 1,819,036.92	\$ 1,475,500.98	0.00990	0.0000271	31	\$ 1,240.63	
9/30/2020	151,240	645,038	\$ 604,959.23	\$ 2,423,996.15	\$ 2,121,516.54	0.00202	0.0000055	30	\$ 352.40	
10/31/2020	118,909	507,147	\$ 475,636.24	\$ 2,899,632.39	\$ 2,661,814.27	0.00202	0.0000055	31	\$ 456.89	
11/30/2020	109,588	467,394	\$ 438,352.64	\$ 3,337,985.03	\$ 3,118,808.71	0.00202	0.0000055	30	\$ 518.06	
12/31/2020	119,248	508,593	\$ 476,992.20	\$ 3,814,977.23	\$ 3,576,481.13	0.00202	0.0000055	31	\$ 613.89	
1/31/2021	137,497	586,426	\$ 549,989.29	\$ 4,364,966.52	\$ 4,089,971.87	0.00202	0.0000055	31	\$ 702.03	
2/28/2021	119,135	508,111	\$ 476,540.28	\$ 4,841,506.80	\$ 4,603,236.66	0.00202	0.0000055	28	\$ 713.67	
3/31/2021	96,607	412,028	\$ 386,427.58	\$ 5,227,934.38	\$ 5,034,720.59	0.00240	0.0000066	31	\$ 1,026.26	
4/30/2021	106,950	456,142	\$ 427,800.29	\$ 5,655,734.66	\$ 5,441,834.52	0.00240	0.0000066	30	\$ 1,073.46	
5/31/2021	106,389	453,749	\$ 425,556.31	\$ 6,081,290.97	\$ 5,868,512.82	0.00240	0.0000066	31	\$ 1,196.21	
6/30/2021		Estimated Interest Only		\$ 6,081,290.97	\$ 6,081,290.97	0.00240	0.0000066	30	\$ 1,199.60	
7/31/2021		Estimated Interest Only		\$ 6,081,290.97	\$ 6,081,290.97	0.00240	0.0000066	31	\$ 1,239.58	
8/31/2021		Estimated Interest Only		\$ 6,081,290.97	\$ 6,081,290.97	0.00240	0.0000066	31	\$ 1,239.58	
EY to Date	1,520,323		\$ 6,081,290.97						\$ 12,457.20	

Total ZEC Collection + Interest \$ 6,093,748.18

ZECs Purchase Value by RECO w/Int 5,975,330.81

Refund to customers (118,417.37)

Projected Sales for 2022 (kWh) 1,500,237,756

Rate Per kWh in Cents (0.0080)

RECO ZEC Interest Calculation 2019 - 2020

Rockland Electric Company
New Jersey EDC ZEC Calculations
EY 2020

SUT 0.06625

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Month	ZEC Collection per 200 Report	ZEC Collection Net of Tax	Cumulative Collection (History Grouped)	Payments	Over (Under) Collection	Average Bal	Annual Interest	Daily Interest Rate	# Days in Period	Interest Expense	Cumulative Interest	Payments	Over (Under) Interest Collection	Total Cumulative Balance
6/30/2019	\$510,617	\$478,891	\$478,891	\$0		\$239,445	2.58%	0.0071%	30	\$508	\$508			\$479,398
7/31/2019	702,948	659,272	1,138,162	0		808,526	2.58%	0.0071%	31	1,772	2,279			1,140,442
8/31/2019	730,159	684,792	1,822,954	0		1,480,558	2.58%	0.0071%	31	3,244	5,524			1,828,478
9/30/2019	606,684	568,988	2,391,942	0		2,107,448	2.00%	0.0055%	30	3,464	8,988			2,400,930
10/31/2019	499,154	468,140	2,860,082	0		2,626,012	2.00%	0.0055%	31	4,461	13,449			2,873,530
11/30/2019	488,357	458,013	3,318,095	0		3,089,088	2.00%	0.0055%	30	5,078	18,527			3,336,621
12/31/2019	508,027	476,462	3,794,556	0		3,556,326	2.00%	0.0055%	31	6,041	24,567			3,819,124
1/31/2020	568,530	533,205	4,327,762	0		4,061,159	2.00%	0.0055%	31	6,898	31,466			4,359,228
2/29/2020	488,571	458,215	4,785,976	0		4,556,869	2.00%	0.0055%	29	7,241	38,707			4,824,683
3/31/2020	454,167	425,948	5,211,925	0		4,998,951	0.99%	0.0027%	31	4,203	42,910			5,254,835
4/30/2020	426,061	399,589	5,611,513	0		5,411,719	0.99%	0.0027%	30	4,404	47,314			5,658,827
5/31/2020	432,158	405,306	6,016,820	0		5,814,167	0.99%	0.0027%	31	4,889	52,202			6,069,022
6/30/2020	0	0	6,016,820	0		6,016,820	0.99%	0.0027%	30	4,896	57,098			6,073,918
7/31/2020			6,016,820	0		6,016,820	0.99%	0.0027%	31	5,059	62,157			6,078,977
8/31/2020			6,016,820	0		6,016,820	0.99%	0.0027%	31	5,059	67,216			6,084,036
August 31 2020 Payment				(\$5,791,059)	225,760							(64,694)	2,522	228,283
9/30/2020					225,760	225,760	0.20%	0.0006%	30	38			2,560	228,320
10/31/2020					225,760	225,760	0.20%	0.0006%	31	39			2,598	228,359
11/30/2020					225,760	225,760	0.20%	0.0006%	30	38			2,636	228,396
12/31/2020					225,760	225,760	0.20%	0.0006%	31	39			2,675	228,435

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	Excluding SUT (¢ per kWh)	Including SUT (¢ per kWh)
ZEC Charge	0.4000	0.4265
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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.

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