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Honorable Mary Anna Holden, Commissioner
New Jersey Board of Public Utilities
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Re: In the Matter of the Merger of South Jersey Industries, Inc.
and Boardwalk Merger Sub, Inc.
BPU Docket No. GM22040270

Dear Commissioner Holden:

Please accept this correspondence on behalf of IIF US Holding 2 LP, NJ Boardwalk Holdings LLC, Boardwalk Merger Sub, Inc., South Jersey Industries, Inc. ("SJI"), SJI Utilities, Inc. ("SJIU"), Elizabethtown Gas Company ("ETG") and South Jersey Gas Company ("SJG") (together, the "Joint Petitioners") suggesting potential next steps for Your Honor's review and consideration in the above captioned matter.

As Your Honor is aware, the parties are actively engaged in settlement discussions. In an effort to move this matter forward, the Joint Petitioners propose the following:

1. If a Stipulation of Settlement ("Stipulation") is unopposed and filed with the Board of Public Utilities ("Board") on or before January 6, 2023, the Joint Petitioners respectfully request that the Board act on this matter at its January 11, 2023 public Board Agenda session or at its next, most feasible, meeting.
2. In the event the Stipulation is not unanimous, the Joint Petitioners request that Your Honor accept written comments on the proposed stipulation, with initial comments due on or before January 13, 2023 and reply comments on January 17, 2023. Thereafter, the Joint Petitioners request that the Board act on this matter at its public Board Agenda session on January 25, 2023 or at its next, most feasible, meeting.

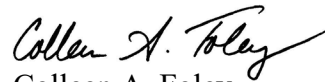
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Should your Honor accept this approach, the Joint Petitioners respectfully request that the current procedural schedule provided in your November 29, 2022 Order be suspended, thereby relieving the parties of their obligations provided therein.

The Staff of the Board of Public Utilities, the Division of Rate Counsel, and the New Jersey Large Energy Users Coalition have indicated they do not object to the proposed approach described herein.¹ Counsel for EDF (Martin C. Rothfelder) has indicated that that while key people for EDF are unavailable until January, EDF will endeavor to meet the schedule proposed in this letter.

Should you have any questions, kindly contact the undersigned. Thank you.

Respectfully submitted,


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¹ Counsel for the parties have reviewed this letter and consented to its filing.

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