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Via Electronic Mail

January 12, 2023

Carmen D. Diaz, Acting Secretary Board of Public Utilities 44 South Clinton Avenue P.O. Box 350 Trenton, New Jersey 08625-0350

Re: In the Matter of the Establishment of a Universal Service Fund Pursuant to

Section 12 of the Electric Discount and Energy Competition Act of 1999

Docket No. EX00020091

Dear Ms. Diaz:

Attached is the reporting for (i) the quarterly USF / Lifeline report for billings and remittances, and customer credits and clearinghouse receipts and (ii) the quarterly Utility USF Reporting related to activity through December 31, 2022.

The USF / Lifeline reporting is in accordance with the Board of Public Utilities' Order dated July 16, 2003 in Docket No. EX00020091.

The Utility USF Reporting is in accordance with the Board of Public Utilities' Orders dated April 30, 2003 and June 30, 2004 in Docket No. EX00020091. The Utility USF Reporting specifications were developed by the USF Working Group consisting of the State's seven Electric and Gas Utilities, APPRISE Inc., the Ratepayer Advocate, State Agencies and other interested parties.

If you have any questions please contact Thomas Kaufmann at 908-662-8461 or tkaufmann@sjindustries.com.

Sincerely,

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# **ELIZABETHTOWN GAS COMPANY**USF/ Lifeline Billing and Remittance Summary

### **USF/Lifeline Billing**

#### **USF/Lifeline Remittance**

						Total							Total
	Units	U	USF		Lifeline		USF/Lifeline USF				USF/Lifeline		
	Billed	Rate *	Billing	Rate *	Billing	Billing	ſ	Remittance	Date	Remittance	Check No.	Date	Remittance
					_								
Oct-22	23,539,633	\$0.0108	\$254,106	\$0.0052	\$122,845	\$376,951		\$254,106	11/07/22	\$122,845	ACH	11/07/22	\$376,951
Nov-22	31,969,620	\$0.0104	\$332,516	\$0.0052	\$166,296	\$498,812		\$332,516	12/08/22	\$166,296	ACH	12/08/22	\$498,812
Dec-22	62,426,870	\$0.0104	\$649,047	\$0.0052	\$324,644	\$973,691		\$649,047	01/10/23	\$324,644	ACH	01/10/23	\$973,691
Jan-23		\$0.0000		\$0.0000		\$0		\$0		\$0			\$0
Feb-23		\$0.0000		\$0.0000		\$0		\$0		\$0			\$0
Mar-23		\$0.0000		\$0.0000		\$0		\$0		\$0			\$0
Apr-23		\$0.0000		\$0.0000		\$0		\$0		\$0			\$0
May-23		\$0.0000		\$0.0000		\$0		\$0		\$0			\$0
Jun-23		\$0.0000		\$0.0000		\$0		\$0		\$0			\$0
Jul-23		\$0.0000		\$0.0000		\$0		\$0		\$0			\$0
Aug-23		\$0.0000		\$0.0000		\$0		\$0		\$0			\$0
Sep-23		\$0.0000		\$0.0000		\$0		\$0		\$0			\$0
Total	117,936,123		\$1,235,669		\$613,785	\$1,849,454		\$1,235,669		\$613,785			\$1,849,454

<sup>\*</sup> Billing at the tariff rate yields the dollars recovered, inclusive of rate proration, if any. The rate presented is derived from dividing that amount by the therms, as such rounding differences to the tariff / billing rate may result.

## **ELIZABETHTOWN GAS COMPANY**Calculation of USF Recovery Balance

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	USF	USF	Funds		Cumulative
	Credits	Received Fron	n Clearinghouse	Under (Over)	Under (Over)
	Issued *	Amount	Date	Recovery	Recovery w/ Interest
	a	b	С	d=a-b	
Sep-22					(\$1,423,175.53)
Oct-22	\$200,356.53	\$122,300.58	10/7/2022&10/26/22	\$78,055.95	(\$1,349,033.50)
Nov-22	\$204,386.78	\$0.00		\$204,386.78	(\$1,148,474.05)
Dec-22	\$185,244.00	\$104,997.46	12/01/22	\$80,246.54	(\$1,071,425.39)
Jan-23	\$0.00			\$0.00	\$0.00
Feb-23	\$0.00			\$0.00	\$0.00
Mar-23	\$0.00			\$0.00	\$0.00
Apr-23	\$0.00			\$0.00	\$0.00
May-23	\$0.00			\$0.00	\$0.00
Jun-23	\$0.00			\$0.00	\$0.00
Jul-23	\$0.00			\$0.00	\$0.00
Aug-23	\$0.00			\$0.00	\$0.00
Sep-23	\$0.00			\$0.00	\$0.00
Total	\$589,987.31	\$227,298.04		\$362,689.27	

<sup>\*</sup> Includes credits issued per DHS Tape, Utility Portability, Adjustments and Fresh Start Forgiveness. See USF Detail of Credits Issued to Customers.

### ELIZABETHTOWN GAS COMPANY USF Carrying Costs

	Beginning <u>Balance</u>	Customer <u>Credits</u>	Administration Costs	Clearinghouse <u>Receipts</u>	Ending Balance	Average <u>Balance</u>	USF Interest <u>Rate *</u>	Carrying Cost * <u>After Tax</u>	Ending Balance ** plus Cumulative <u>Interest</u>
<u>a</u>	<u>b</u>	<u>c</u>	<u>d</u>	<u>e</u>	<u>f=b+c+d-e</u>	g=(b+f)2	<u>h</u>	<u>i=g*h/12*</u>	<u>j=f+ cum of i</u>
								(10.2811)	(Over) / Under
Oct-22	(\$1,423,175.53)	\$200,356.53	\$0.00	\$122,300.58	(\$1,345,119.58)	(\$1,384,147.56)	4.72%	(\$3,913.92)	(\$1,349,033.50)
Nov-22	(\$1,345,119.58)	\$204,386.78	\$0.00	\$0.00	(\$1,140,732.80)	(\$1,242,926.19)	5.14%	(\$3,827.33)	(\$1,148,474.05)
Dec-22	(\$1,140,732.80)	\$185,244.00	\$0.00	\$104,997.46	(\$1,060,486.26)	(\$1,100,609.53)	4.85%	(\$3,197.88)	(\$1,071,425.39)
Jan-23	(\$1,060,486.26)	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	(\$1,060,486.26)	(\$1,060,486.26)	4.85%	(\$3,081.30)	(\$1,074,506.69)
Feb-23	(\$1,060,486.26)	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	(\$1,060,486.26)	(\$1,060,486.26)	4.85%	(\$3,081.30)	(\$1,077,587.99)
Mar-23	(\$1,060,486.26)	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	(\$1,060,486.26)	(\$1,060,486.26)	4.85%	(\$3,081.30)	(\$1,080,669.29)
Apr-23	(\$1,060,486.26)	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	(\$1,060,486.26)	(\$1,060,486.26)	4.85%	(\$3,081.30)	(\$1,083,750.59)
May-23	(\$1,060,486.26)	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	(\$1,060,486.26)	(\$1,060,486.26)	4.85%	(\$3,081.30)	(\$1,086,831.89)
Jun-23	(\$1,060,486.26)	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	(\$1,060,486.26)	(\$1,060,486.26)	4.85%	(\$3,081.30)	(\$1,089,913.19)
Jul-23	(\$1,060,486.26)	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	(\$1,060,486.26)	(\$1,060,486.26)	4.85%	(\$3,081.30)	(\$1,092,994.49)
Aug-23	(\$1,060,486.26)	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	(\$1,060,486.26)	(\$1,060,486.26)	4.85%	(\$3,081.30)	(\$1,096,075.79)
Sep-23	(\$1,060,486.26)	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	(\$1,060,486.26)	(\$1,060,486.26)	4.85%	(\$3,081.30)	(\$1,099,157.09)
Total	- =	\$589,987.31	\$0.00	\$227,298.04			- =	(\$38,670.83)	-

<sup>\*</sup> Effective October 24, 2008 the Interest Rate changed to a two year constant maturity Treasuries on the first day of each month, or the closest day thereafter on which rates are published, plus sixty basis points, on an after tax basis, but shall not exceed the overall rate of return for each utility as authorized by the Board per Board Order in Docket No. ER08060455 dated October 21, 2008.

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<sup>\*\*</sup> Presented to show the net (Over) / Under Recovery Position, not used in calculating monthly carrying costs.

### **ELIZABETHTOWN GAS COMPANY**USF Detail of Credits Issued to Customers

	Issued per DHS Tape	Manual Utility Portability Adjustments	Fresh Start Forgiveness	Total Credits <u>Issued</u>
Oct-22	\$189,141.73	(\$4,741.00)	\$15,955.80	\$200,356.53
Nov-22	\$190,970.23	(\$7,252.27)	\$20,668.82	\$204,386.78
Dec-22	\$162,718.95	(\$4,865.13)	\$27,390.18	\$185,244.00
Jan-23				\$0.00
Feb-23				\$0.00
Mar-23				\$0.00
Apr-23				\$0.00
May-23				\$0.00
Jun-23				\$0.00
Jul-23				\$0.00
Aug-23				\$0.00
Sep-23				\$0.00
Total	\$542,830.91	(\$16,858.40)	\$64,014.80	\$589,987.31

### **ELIZABETHTOWN GAS COMPANY**Incremental Administration Costs

				USF- Related						
	Account-	Newspaper		Customer	Systems	Total Costs				
_	temps	Advertising	Other	Mailings	Changes					
Oct-22	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00				
Nov-22	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00				
Dec-22	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00				
Jan-23	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00				
Feb-23	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00				
Mar-23	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00				
Apr-23	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00				
May-23	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00				
Jun-23	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00				
Jul-23	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00				
Aug-23	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00				
Sep-23	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00				
_	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00				

#### ELIZABETHTOWN GAS COMPANY Utility USF Report

	Oct-2	22	Nov-22	Dec-22	Jan-23	Feb-23	Mar-23	Apr-23	May-23	Jun-23	Jul-23	Aug-23	Sep-23 Total o	iollars je Cust
Number of USF customers     (Active @ Month End)     Amount and distribution of     Monthly USF benefits	15,089	9	14,795	12,420										14,101
# Customers														
\$5 to \$25	11,098	В	70,431 11,523	61,224 9,880									\$	201,988 10,834
\$26 to 50	48,122 1,332		48,810 1,350	\$ 41,339 1,145									\$	138,271 1,276
\$51 to \$75	36,823 61		36,647 606	\$ 31,289 517									\$	104,760 578
\$76 to 100 \$		1 \$	14,096 166	\$ 12,846 152									\$	41,284 163
\$101 to \$125		2 \$	7,848 71	\$ 6,166 56									\$	21,977 66
\$126 to \$150 \$		9 \$	2,970 22	\$ 2,567									\$	9,197
greater than \$150	3,159	9 \$	2,915	\$ 19 2,423									\$	23 8,497
total \$		1 \$	16 <b>183,718</b>	\$ 11 <b>157,854</b>									\$	15 525,973
Amount and distribution of Arrearage Forgiveness- dollars 3 (Granted Quarterly) # Customers	13,328	8	13,754	11,780										12,954
0 to 25	2,159 185		3,098 276	\$ 4,791 419									\$	10,048
26 to 50 \$		6 \$	2,331	\$ 3,380 94									\$	7,446
51 to 75		8 \$	2,676 43	\$ 3,952 67									\$	8,527
76 to 100 \$		7 \$	2,556 29	\$ 1,821 21									\$	5,993
101 to 200 \$		1 \$	4,159 31	\$ 5,107 38									\$	13,836
\$201 to \$300 \$	1,908	8 \$	3,081	\$ 6,317									\$	11,306
\$301 to \$400 \$		1 \$	13 1,733	\$ 27 1,394									\$	4,158
\$401 to \$500 \$		6 \$	5 406	4									\$	813
\$501 to \$1000 \$		9 \$	629	\$ 629									\$	1,887
\$1001 to \$2001	•	1	1	1									\$	-
\$2001 to \$3000													\$	-
\$3001 to \$4000													\$	-
\$4001 to \$5000													\$	-
greater than 5000													\$	-
Total \$	15,956 329		20,669 462	\$ 27,390 671									\$	64,015

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	Oct-22	Nov-22	Dec-22	Jan-23	Feb-23	Mar-23	Apr-23	May-23	Jun-23	Jul-23	Aug-23	Sep-23 Total dollars	
Distribution of full retail bills-													
4 dollars													
# Customers													
0 to \$50 \$	262,556 \$	157,346 \$	5,941									\$	425,843
	8,742	5,347	2,280										5,456
\$51 to \$100 \$	266,948 \$	416,237 \$	179,578									\$	862,763
	3,935	5,699	2,357										3,997
\$101 to \$150 \$	66,373 \$	247,918 \$	315,588									\$	629,878
	559	2,075	2,516										1,717
\$151 to \$200 \$	19,055 \$	92,948 \$	353,194									\$	465,197
	113	547	2,029										896
201 to 250 \$	4,116 \$	31,170 \$	303,461									\$	338,747
	19	143	1,359										507
250 plus \$	11,395 \$	30,612 \$	531,420									\$	573,427
	29	92	1,607										576
Total \$	630,442 \$	976,231 \$	1,689,182									\$	3,295,855
	13,397	13,903	12,148										13,149
Number of participants 5 terminated for nonpayment	0	0	0										-
Distribution of share of													
retail bill paid from all													
6 sources													
# of Customers													
0 to 25 %	5,526	6,486	3,462										5,158
26% to 50%	3,424	2,361	1,224										2,336
51% to 75%	600	920	406										642
76% - 90%	466	461	228										385
91% to 100%	649	505	292										482
more than 100%	3,142	3,159	6,520										4,274
Distribution of share of customer responsibility													
7 paid													
# Customers													
0 to 25 %	12,436	12,149	10,612										11,732
26% to 50%	120	307	186										204
51% to 75%	382	475	529										462
76% - 90%	239	242	257										246
91% to 100%	93	150	218										154
more than 100%	537	569	330										479
more diam roops	00.	000	000										•
Number of USF customers													
8 participating in Comfort Partners	9	9	6										24
9 Program Administration Costs \$	- \$	- \$	-									\$	-

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