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Via Email: board.secretary@bpu.nj.gov
Carmen D. Diaz, Acting Secretary
New Jersey Board of Public Utilities

Re: BPU Docket No. QO22110710/LED

Dear Ms. Diaz,

As the Mayor for the City of Orange and on behalf of its nearly 35,000 residents and the broader New Jersey community, I want to applaud the Board for pursuing a utility light emitting diode ("LED") streetlight program. Having our utility, PSE&G, convert our streetlights to LED fixtures would provide our residents and businesses with several important benefits.

LED lights use 20 percent of the energy and have seven times the life expectancy of existing High Pressure Sodium (HPS) lighting. That would allow communities like Orange to save on the cost of providing street lighting at a time when every dollar counts. Just as importantly, brighter LED lighting would provide significant public safety benefits. The greater illumination provided would serve as a crime deterrent and improve pedestrian and driver safety.

An LED street lighting program would mean better public safety and lower energy bills for Orange and municipalities throughout New Jersey. Utilities are well-positioned to lead the effort and have become trusted partners for local governments. I urge the Board to implement a utility LED street lighting program.

Yours in Service,

Mayor Dwayne D. Warren, Esq.

City of Orange Township