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From: Mayor Larry Fox

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Subject: Support for Infrastructure Investment Program II (EnergizeNJ) - BPU Docket No. EO23110793

Dear Secretary Golden,

I recently was briefed by our JCP&L External Affairs Consultant, Frank Luna, on the infrastructure Investment Program - EnergizeNJ that is currently under consideration. Our Municipal Government strongly supports this proposed being made by JCP&L. In recent years in Bradley Beach, we have taken the idea of investing in our infrastructure very seriously and have committed to our residents that we would always do what's best for them to meet the growing needs of our municipality. Our investments include our water and sewer systems, our stormwater outfall systems, our roads, our lakes, and our parks, to name a few.

It is our opinion that JCP&L's massive investment in the infrastructure grid would provide our residents with a level of service that we believe they deserve. Not only is it essential for improved reliability, but also for promoting sustainable practices. As a Sustainable Jersey Certified Community, we certainly value the infrastructure upgrades that will enhance the sustainability of our power systems. EnergizeNJ enables the integration of renewable energy resources, which play a vital role in reducing greenhouse gas emissions and combating climate change.

It is our understanding from Mr. Luna's briefing that our residents will benefit from substantial upgrades to include substation work, upgrading underground networks, the deployment of additional trip savers, and work to improve the rapidly aging infrastructure in our community. We can't overstate the importance of this enough to meet the growing needs of our municipality.

We look forward to the implementation of the electrical infrastructure upgrades in our region and will continue to advocate on behalf of our residents for the service they deserve from Jersey Central Power & Light.

Sincerely,

Larry Fox

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