



August 12, 2024

VIA ELECTRONIC MAIL

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44 South Clinton Avenue, 1st Floor
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RE: In the Matter of the Petition of New Jersey Natural Gas Company for Approval
of the Cost Recovery Associated with the Energy Efficiency Programs
BPU Docket No. GR24060380

Dear Secretary Golden:

On behalf of New Jersey Natural Gas Company (“NJNG” or “the Company”), attached please find the following documents in reference to the Virtual Public Hearings in the above-captioned matter.

- Notice of Public Hearings
- Notice of Public Hearings to County and Municipal Clerks
- Affidavit and Proofs of Publication of the Notice of Public Hearings in Asbury Park Press and Daily Record newspapers

In accordance with the Order issued by the Board in connection with I/M/O the New Jersey Board of Public Utilities’ Response to the COVID-19 Pandemic for a Temporary Waiver of Requirements for Certain Non-Essential Obligations, BPU Docket No. EO20030254, Order dated March 19, 2020, this document is being electronically filed. No paper copies will follow.

Please feel free to contact me at adembia@njng.com if you have any questions.

Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads 'Andrew K. Dembia'. The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first letters of the first and last names being capitalized and prominent.

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July 12, 2024

Via Electronic Mail

To: The Office of the County Clerk, Municipal Clerk and County Administrator

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Please be further advised that the Company hereby serves upon you the attached Notice of Public Hearings in the above referenced matter. The virtual public hearings are scheduled for August 19, 2024 at 4:30 P.M. and 5:30 P.M. with the following Log-In instructions.

Location: Zoom Virtual Meeting


Join by holding down control button and clicking on below link:
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Meeting ID: 245 813 6397

Dial-In Phone Number: 1-646-876-9923

Access Code: 819208

Respectfully,


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Attachments

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The Board is also accepting written and electronic comments. Comments may be submitted directly to the specific docket number listed above using the "Post Comments" button on the Board's Public Document Search tool at <https://publicaccess.bpu.state.nj.us/>. Comments are considered public documents for purposes of the State's Open Public Records Act. Only documents that are intended to be public should be submitted using the "Post Comments" button on the Board's Public Document Search tool. Any confidential information should be submitted in accordance with the procedures set forth in N.J.A.C. 14:1-12.3. In addition to hard copy submissions, confidential information may also be filed electronically via the Board's e-filing system or by email to the Secretary of the Board, Sherri L. Golden. Please include "Confidential Information" in the subject line of any email. Instructions for confidential e-filing are found on the Board's webpage at <https://www.nj.gov/bpu/agenda/efiling/>. Emailed and/or written comments may also be submitted to:

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'That was you!?' Osmond takes fans on a journey

Ilana Keller
Asbury Park Press
USA TODAY NETWORK - NEW JERSEY

When Donny Osmond takes the stage, sometimes he gets puzzled reactions from the audience.

"When I start singing 'let's get down to business,' and I look out, a lot of people have a look on their face like, 'That was you?!' the legendary performer said in a recent interview.

It's understandable. While "I'll Make A Man Out Of You" from "Mulan" is a popular Disney tune, Osmond's decades-long career has spanned so many different facets of show business that some fans are unfamiliar with all of his work. But yes, Osmond voiced Li Shang in the 1998 animated film.

In the midst of a summer tour, Osmond hits the Beacon Theatre in Manhattan at 8 p.m. Friday, July 12.

"I can hardly wait to see the reaction of the New York audiences to this show because it's just loaded with so many things," he said, including a full Broadway-style production of "I'll Make A Man Out Of You."

His show takes audiences on a "musical journey through his life," organizers say.

Since singing with this brothers (The Osmonds) as a child, Donny has had a solo career; hosted a popular variety series and talk show with his sister, Marie; appeared on Broadway; and worked in film and television. He recently competed on "Dancing With the Stars" and "The Masked Singer."

One of his favorite parts of his live show is an interactive requests segment.

"I put all 65 albums on a huge screen behind me and anyone in the audience can pick any song I've ever recorded and we do it," Osmond said. "They dictate what the show becomes, and they hear what they want to hear. It's something I've been working on for years and it's quite technical — and scary because it's improv for like 20 minutes."

He credits his band with being able to jump into any of the songs.

"I forget some of them once in a while," he said, laughing. "There was one time in Las Vegas this lady asked for a



Entertainer Donny Osmond reacts onstage after the Las Vegas Raiders' 90th overall pick was announced during the 2022 NFL Draft on April 29, 2022. DAVID BECKER/GETTY IMAGES

song I swear I don't even remember recording. And I said, 'I don't even know if I know the lyrics to this,' and so she handed me her phone and the lyrics were on the phone."

Being able to share the journey of his career is special.

"A lady came up to me after one of my shows and she said something that was the most significant thing. She said, 'I not only saw your life flash before my eyes, I saw my own life flash. I lived all these experiences, some I had totally forgotten about.'"

Now 66, the summer tour is the most extensive show he's put together, he said, and he urges fans to check it out.

"I don't want to ever be one of those entertainers when it's time to close the curtain," he said. "I'm far from it, but when the day comes, when I can't give 110% on stage, I'm going to bail out very quietly. I'm not going to do a farewell tour because I can't stand it when artists do that."

Later this year, Osmond returns to "Joseph and the Amazing Technicolor Dreamcoat." Synonymous with the title role after playing it thousands of times across the United States and Canada (as well as in the 1999 film), he's cast as Pharaoh during certain dates of a UK tour.

"I'm going to channel my inner Elvis and just have so much fun," he said. Stay with donny.com for updates.

Go: "Donny Osmond: Direct From Vegas;" \$60 and up; 8 p.m. Friday, July 12, Beacon Theatre, 2124 Broadway; ticket-master.com.

Lakehurst man, 35 missing since June 21: Have you seen him?

Erik Larsen
Asbury Park Press
USA TODAY NETWORK - NEW JERSEY



Smith

statement.

The circumstances of his disappearance are under investigation.

Anyone with information is asked to call the Lakehurst Police Department at 732-657-7812.

Contact Asbury Park Press reporter Erik Larsen at elarsen@gannettnj.com.

LAKEHURST — Borough police are asking for the public's help in locating a 35-year-old man who has been reported missing since June 21.

Michael A. Smith was believed to be on his way to Philadelphia at the time he went missing but his current whereabouts are unknown, police said in a



People look at the Notre-Dame de Rouen Cathedral after its spire caught fire during renovation works, in Rouen, France, Thursday. KEVIN COOMBS/REUTERS

Paris's Rouen cathedral fire brought under control

REUTERS

PARIS — Firefighters brought a blaze on the spire of Rouen's historic cathedral in northern France under control on Thursday after it had sent a thick plume of smoke into the sky and reminded onlookers of the fire at Notre-Dame cathedral in Paris.

People in the streets below watched in horror as 40 fire engines rushed to the site and emergency workers set up a cordon around the cathedral, a jewel of French medieval Gothic architecture made famous by the paintings of impressionist Claude Monet in the 19th century.

The spire had been in renovation for years and was surrounded by scaffolding and a white cover when the fire began almost 400 feet above ground level.

Eye-witness Patrick Waeselynck told BFM television he was sitting at the terrace of a nearby cafe when he heard people shouting "fire."

"I turn around and I see the cathedral spire, the tarpaulin which was protecting the restoration work, which was burning, big flames, black smoke," he said.

"The first thing we thought was what happened in Paris, it was a shock of

course. But the police arrived, they set up a security perimeter, the firefighters arrived."

Workers involved in the renovation raised the alarm, said fire brigade chief Stephane Gouezec. "The elements that were combusting when we arrived were plastic elements from the work-site," Gouezec told several TV channels just outside the building.

TV footage showed the plume of smoke had stopped billowing from the spire.

The fire brigade chief said 70 firefighters and about 40 fire engines were taking part in the operation. He said they would keep working until all hot spots were extinguished.

The local prefect, Jean-Benoit Albertini, said officials were assessing if any parts of the cathedral or its art works were at risk of water damage from the response to the fire.

"It's possible though not certain that we may have to remove certain items which could be at risk from projected water," Albertini said.

Rouen cathedral looked to have escaped the fate of Notre-Dame cathedral, where a fire destroyed the roof, spire and almost toppled the main bell towers.

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Conviction overturned due to constitutional violation

Lori Comstock

Newton New Jersey Herald
USA TODAY NETWORK - NEW JERSEY

A New Jersey police officer's entry into a Sussex County woman's garage to detain her after suspecting she was drunk driving was a violation of her constitutional rights, an appeals court decided last week in a move firmly enforcing an ancient adage that "every man's house is his castle."

While the Supreme Court would later carve out exceptions to the Fourth Amendment, a New Jersey court's July 5 ruling to overturn a Hardyston woman's conviction has set legal precedent for future court cases about what protections are afforded to residents, and where to draw the line when it comes to law enforcement officers serving as community caretakers.

The three sitting judges in the state's Appellate Court, with Judge Ronald Susswein delivering the opinion, concluded that a Hardyston Township police officer had "reasonable suspicion" to initiate a stop of the woman's motor vehicle in 2019 after 911 calls reported her "erratic driving," but unlawfully detained her after he went into her open garage after she had pulled her vehicle into it.

The decision reverses a Hardyston Municipal Court judge's guilty verdict against the woman and a decision by a state Superior Court judge who upheld the municipal court conviction after she appealed.

Both judges believed the officer had good cause to enter the garage — but the state's appeals court last week slammed the findings, noting that the officer nor prosecutors proved that any "exigent circumstances" lawfully allowed the officer to breach the woman's home, including her garage.

Was this a circumstance that merited a warrantless entry?

The "very core" of the Fourth Amendment is the right of a person to retreat into their own home and "there be free from unreasonable governmental intrusion," the United States Supreme Court affirmed in a 2012 decision.

Put another way, police officers cannot enter a home to detain a resident without consent or without a warrant,

however, there are exceptions often classified as "exigent circumstances" in the eyes of the courts.

The Supreme Court has consistently recognized the "emergency aid" exception to the warrantless entry of private property. In a 2013 New Jersey Supreme Court decision, the court explained that law enforcement may enter a home if they have an "objectively reasonable basis to believe that an emergency requires that [police] provide immediate assistance to protect or preserve life, or to prevent serious injury."

In this case, Mary Mellody was convicted in March 2022 before a Hardyston Township Municipal Court judge on charges of driving while intoxicated and careless driving following an incident that occurred in the Crystal Springs Development in 2019, according to court records.

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Hardyston police received a 911 call around 10:45 p.m. on Nov. 1, 2019 reporting a black Jeep swerving and going over curbs, Susswein wrote. The caller provided the license plate number, and an officer was dispatched to the address registered to the Jeep owner, according to the decision.

The officer found the Jeep in the home's driveway with its brake lights on. The officer activated the patrol vehicle's overhead lights to effectuate a stop and saw the Jeep move forward into the house's attached garage before it stopped and the officer heard a "bang," the decision states.

He believed the Jeep had struck a refrigerator and he entered the garage and saw Mellody sitting in the driver's seat, he testified in court.



A Hardyston Police patrol vehicle is pictured. NEW JERSEY HERALD STAFF FILE

The officer, who did not have his dashcam activated at the time, testified during a May 2024 hearing before the Appellate Court judges that he asked Mellody what she was doing, why she didn't stop when he activated his lights and why she crashed into the fridge. He also testified Mellody's movements were fumbled and slow and her eyes were bloodshot and watery, Susswein said.

The officer's dashcam was activated when Mellody failed subsequent field sobriety tests, and she was taken to the police station where she was charged with driving while intoxicated, careless driving and failing to comply with directions of a police officer.

Municipal judge found officer credible, defendant 'incredulous'

A Hardyston municipal court judge, who was not named in the decision, denied Mellody's motion to suppress evidence in 2021, finding the officer had an obligation to investigate "not only because there's an indication that she was driving erratically, but there may be a medical issue at stake," the judge said at the time, according to the decision. The municipal judge also noted that the officer was not obligated to get a search warrant because Mellody was "still in her car" and she "drove forward" when the officer activated his lights, further stating that had she turned off her vehicle and gone inside, a warrant would have been required.

During a March 2022 trial, Mellody testified she did not hit the refrigerator or hear a crash and noticed flashing lights while she was putting her car in park in her garage, but believed it was at her neighbor's home.

She also testified health issues impacted her balance and abilities to perform field sobriety tests.

The judge denied a motion to dismiss the case at the conclusion of the trial and found the officer's testimony credible and Mellody's "truly incredulous." Since it was her second DWI conviction, she was sentenced to a two-year suspension of her driver's license, a two-year installation of an interlock device, 48 hours of intoxicated driving classes and community service. He dismissed the failure to comply with directions of a police officer charge.

A state Superior Court judge hearing her appeal concluded the officer lawfully entered the garage, reasoning that the patrolman's testimony raised serious concerns for the woman's welfare and safety.

Is a 911 call enough to pull someone over?

When it comes to a police investigation, the constitutional rules of engagement are particularly strict, as evidenced by several decisions by the state and nation's highest courts, the Supreme Courts.

The appeals court found a 911 call alone was enough to merit suspicion to justify the officer making a stop and were not persuaded by Mellody's argument that the officer had not even seen her alleged "erratic driving."

However, the appeals court sided with Mellody when she argued the state Superior Court judge's reliance on a 2016 state Supreme Court decision to come to his conclusion was misplaced, since the case he cited did not address police entry into a private residence and rather just a roadside stop.

An officer's conduct vs. his beliefs

While both a municipal and state Superior Court judge believed the officer had acted in "good faith" when he entered the garage, perhaps believing the woman may have been suffering a medical episode or her health was at risk, the appeals court disagreed.

Instead, the court focused on the officer's conduct and not his subjective beliefs, noting that the officer did not suggest he acted with any urgency to render medical aid.

"At no time during the encounter was defendant asked if she was all right," the decision states.

The decision effectively vacates Mellody's DWI conviction. Her careless driving violation will be remanded to a state Superior Court judge, who will determine if there is enough evidence to establish a careless driving conviction without considering any evidence after the officer's unlawful entry into the garage, the court said.

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NOTICE TO NEW JERSEY NATURAL GAS CUSTOMERS
In the Matter of the Petition of New Jersey Natural Gas Company for Approval of the Cost Recovery Associated with the Energy Efficiency Programs
Docket No. GR24060380
NOTICE OF FILING AND PUBLIC HEARINGS

TO OUR CUSTOMERS:
PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that on May 31, 2024, New Jersey Natural Gas ("NJNG" or the "Company") filed a petition with the New Jersey Board of Public Utilities ("Board") seeking approval to implement a change to its Energy Efficiency ("EE") Rider F through which it recovers costs associated with EE Programs ("Programs") offered through the Board-approved SAVEGREEN™ Program. The Programs provide EE offerings for residential, commercial, and industrial customers, including special resources for low to moderate income customers. The Programs include discounted energy saving measures, grants, financing opportunities, technical assistance, and other resources to help address barriers to saving energy and making investments in energy efficiency improvements more accessible for all customers. Pursuant to various Board Orders in Docket Nos. G012070640, G014121412, G018030355, Q019010040 and G02090622, NJNG is authorized to recover all reasonable and prudent costs associated with the SAVEGREEN™ programs. The budgets approved by various Board Orders and proposed costs include funds for grants, customer incentives and the associated incremental operations and maintenance expenses, along with associated carrying costs.

Rider F is applied with existing components and processes of the Board-approved Societal Benefits Charge applicable to all jurisdictional throughput. The current after-tax EE charge for natural gas customers is \$0.0494 per therm, including New Jersey Sales and Use Tax ("SUT"). The Company has requested an increase of \$0.0011 per therm to the "EE Programs Established 2013-2018" component and an increase of \$0.0072 per therm to the "EE Triennium 1 Program" component for a total increase of \$0.0083 per therm effective October 1, 2024. If approved, the after-tax EE charge will increase to \$0.0577 per therm, including SUT. The change results in an overall increase of \$0.83, or 0.6 percent, on a typical 100-therm residential bill.

The proposed statewide charges for natural gas customers are as follows:

	Present	Present (Incl. Sales and Use Tax)	Proposed	Proposed (Incl. Sales and Use Tax)
EE Programs Established 2013-2018	\$0.0232	\$0.0247	\$0.0242	\$0.0258
EE Triennium 1	\$0.0232	\$0.0247	\$0.0299	\$0.0319
Total EE	\$0.0464	\$0.0494	\$0.0541	\$0.0577

The impact of the Company's filing, requested to be effective on October 1, 2024, or as of the effective date of the final Board Order in this proceeding, on a typical residential customer (both heat and non-heat), a typical general service small customer and a typical general service large customer on a monthly basis is estimated to be as follows based on the usage levels shown below:

Customer Type	Therm Level (Usage)	Total Bill		Net Increase	Percent Increase
		Monthly Bill as of May 1, 2024	Proposed Monthly Bill as of October 1, 2024		
Residential Heat Sales	100	\$150.04	\$150.87	\$0.83	0.6%
Residential Non-Heat Sales	25	\$44.43	\$44.64	\$0.21	0.5%
General Service Small	100	\$170.13	\$170.96	\$0.83	0.5%
General Service Large	1,200	\$1,645.40	\$1,655.36	\$9.96	0.6%

The Board has the statutory authority to establish the EE rate at levels it finds just and reasonable pursuant to N.J.S.A. 48:2-21. Therefore, the Board may establish the new rate at levels other than those proposed by NJNG and the impact on a customer's bill may vary from the information provided above.

PLEASE TAKE FURTHER NOTICE that due to the COVID-19 Pandemic, virtual public hearings will be conducted on the following date and times so that members of the public may present their views on the Company's filing.

VIRTUAL PUBLIC HEARINGS
Date: August 19, 2024
Hearing Times: 4:30 pm and 5:30 pm

LOCATION
Zoom Virtual Webinar
Join: <https://us06web.zoom.us/j/2458136397?pwd=VUJpK1V0aDYxZDlZUlhwEjQwQWdFRzZ09>
Meeting ID: 245 813 6397
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Members of the public may present their views on the petition during the virtual public hearings by dialing the tollfree telephone number, followed by entering the listed passcode when prompted, or by joining the Zoom Virtual Webinar.

Representatives of the Company, Board Staff, and the New Jersey Division of Rate Counsel will participate in the virtual public hearings.

Members of the public are invited to participate and express their views on the Petition by utilizing the Zoom Virtual Webinar link or the Dial-In Number set forth above. All comments will become part of the final record in this proceeding to be considered by the Board. In order to encourage full participation in this opportunity for public comment, please submit any requests for accommodations, such as interpreters or listening assistance, 48 hours prior to the above hearing to the Board Secretary at board.secretary@bpu.nj.gov.

The Board is also accepting written and electronic comments. Comments may be submitted directly to the specific docket number listed above using the "Post Comments" button on the Board's Public Document Search tool at <https://publicaccess.bpu.state.nj.us/>. Comments are considered public documents for purposes of the State's Open Public Records Act. Only documents that are intended to be public should be submitted using the "Post Comments" button on the Board's Public Document Search tool. Any confidential information should be submitted in accordance with the procedures set forth in N.J.A.C. 14:1-12.3, in addition to hard copy submissions. Confidential information may also be filed electronically via the Board's e-filing system or by email to the Secretary of the Board, Sherri L. Golden. Please include "Confidential Information" in the subject line of any email. Instructions for confidential e-filing are found on the Board's webpage at <https://www.nj.gov/bpu/agenda/filing/>. Emailed and/or written comments may also be submitted to:

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