

TO: BPU BOARD SECRETARY

FROM: JIM MOLDOW, HILLSDALE NJ (BERGEN COUNTY)

September 10, 2012

1. Why was public testimony not included in both this report and the final BPU Hurricane Irene Report?
2. Please note both reports wrote about sub-stations located in floodzones, and my testimony among others was request for infrastructure improvements (building walls around sub-station or raising the equipment above flood of record) or to simply re-located the Hillsdale sub-station out of the floodzone. What is the result/ recommendation for relocating the Hillsdale PSE&G sub-station?

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RE: PUBLIC COMMENT POST IRENE STORM STUDY OF UTILITIES

As a resident of Hillsdale, I testified last fall at the BPU public hearing held at Ramapo College. I'm disappointed that your report included no public comments or summaries of those who took time to testify to your Board.

I've suffered flooding from three major storm events: Tropical Storm Floyd in 1999, a Nor'Easter in 2007 and last fall's August 2011 Hurricane Irene.

PSE&G sub-stations need to be either relocated out of the flood zones in Hillsdale and New Milford, or BPU needs to order the utility to build flood walls (similar to construction used in New Orleans for the levee system built by the US Army Corp. of Engineers) to protect the sub-stations from losing power during major flood events.

When Hillsdale sub-station goes dark, I'm informed that it puts a greater load on New Milford's system.

Plus, the loss of power is catastrophic as hundreds of people who don't live along a brook end up getting basement flooding when they can no longer power sump pumps.

Thank you for including this in the record, along with the below letters and articles.

Sincerely,

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