

STATE OF NEW JERSEY Board of Public Utilities Two Gateway Center Newark, NJ 07102 www.nj.gov/bpu/

DIVISION

IN THE MATTER OF PROCEEDING FOR ORDER ADOPTING INFRASTRUCTURE INVESTMENT AND A SCHEDULE COST RECOVERY MECHANISM FOR ALL **GAS & ELECTRIC UTILITIES** DOCKET NO. E009010049 IN THE MATTER OF INFRASTRUCTURE INVESTMENT AND A COST RECOVERY MECHANISM FOR PUBLIC SERVICE ELECTRIC AND GAS COMPANY DOCKET NO. E009010050 IN THE MATTER OF INFRASTRUCTURE INVESTMENT AND A COST RECOVERY MECHANISM FOR SOUTH JERSEY GAS COMPANY DOCKET NO. GO09010051 IN THE MATTER OF INFRASTRUCTURE INVESTMENT AND A COST RECOVERY) MECHANISM FOR NEW JERSEY NATURAL GAS COMPANY DOCKET NO. GO09010052 IN THE MATTER OF INFRASTRUCTURE) INVESTMENT AND COST RECOVERY) MECHANISM FOR PIVOTAL UTILITY HOLDINGS, INC. D/B/A ELIZABETHTOWN GAS COMPANY DOCKET NO. GO09010053)

(SERVICE LIST ATTACHED)

BY PRESIDENT JEANNE M. FOX:

In response to Governor Corzine's call for New Jersey's gas and electric utilities to assist in promoting a broad economic recovery in the State by increasing planned investments in necessary and beneficial utility infrastructure, the Board has encouraged the State's utilities to formulate plans for enhanced investments in infrastructure.

On January 20 and 21, 2009, Public Service Electric and Gas Company ("PSE&G"), South Jersey Gas Company ("SJG"), New Jersey Natural Gas Company ("NJNG"), and Pivotal Utility Holdings, Inc. d/b/a/ Elizabethtown Gas Company ("Elizabethtown") submitted petitions for approval of certain accelerated infrastructure projects along with proposed cost recovery mechanisms. Atlantic City Electric Company ("ACE"), Rockland Electric Company ("RECO"), and Jersey Central Power & Light Company ("JCP&L") submitted letters or proposals on January 20, 2009, and are expected to file formal petitions seeking authorization for infrastructure projects as described in those informal submissions shortly.

By Order dated January 29, 2009, the Board retained these matters for review and hearing, and, as authorized by N.J.S.A. 48:2-32, designated me as the presiding officer who is authorized to rule on all motions that arise during the proceedings and modify any schedules that may be set as necessary to secure just and expeditious determination of the issues.

Under that authority, to expedite the review of these matters while providing an opportunity for discovery and public comment, I HEREBY SET the procedural schedule as described on Attachment A, which was approved by Rate Counsel, Staff and the utilities during a conference call on January 30, 2009. This schedule is subject to modification as necessary and appropriate in the interests of economy and justice, and as may be necessary to accommodate the expected filings of ACE, JCP&L and RECO.

In the interests of economy, all parties are HEREBY DIRECTED to serve electronically all documents, other than petitions which must be filed with the Board, to the service list with a hard copy provided to a designee of each party.

Finally, HEREBY DIRECT Staff to post this Order on the Board's website.

This provisional ruling is subject to ratification or other alteration by the Board as it deems appropriate during the proceedings in this matter.

DATED:

FEB 2.2009

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Economic Stimulus Infrastructure (ESI) Proceedings Proposed Schedule

Board designated Presiding Commissioner for ESI Filings	January 28, 2009
Issue first round of discovery*	February 6, 2009
Deadline for Requests for Intervention/Participation	February 11, 2009
Responses to first round of discovery	February 13, 2009
Responses to Intervention/Participation Motions due	February 17, 2009
Issue second round of discovery	February 20, 2009
Responses to second round of discovery due	February 27, 2009
Public Hearings	by March 6, 2009
Settlement Conference	by March 6, 2009
Evidentiary hearings (if necessary)	March 12,13,16, 17 2009
Parties' position papers (if necessary)	March 20, 2009
Anticipated Board Action	April 3, 2009

*Discovery will proceed on a rolling basis subject to the scheduled end date, with responses due within 5 business days unless otherwise agreed to by the parties.