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NOTICE1

In Matter of The Board's Review of N.J.A.C. 14:5-9 Vegetation Management Rules

Docket No. EX14010104

Stakeholder Meeting – April 1, 2014

The Staff of the Board of Public Utilities (BPU) invites all interested parties and members of the public to a stakeholders' meeting to discuss the re-adoption of the Board's vegetation management rules as outlined in N.J.A.C. 14:5-9.

On January 23, 2013, the Board adopted the Energy Preparedness Partnerships (EPP) report which had a number of recommendations to ensure better storm preparation and restoration efforts by New Jersey Electric Distribution Companies (EDCs). One of the areas identified for improvement in that report was vegetation management.

Staff is charged with establishing a stakeholder group that will review Subchapter 9, Electric Utility Line Vegetation Management. As part of this process, the group will need to explore a number of issues. One of the more important issues to be examined is vegetation management practices applicable to the electric distribution system.

Along with this notice BPU Staff will be notifying previous participants about this stakeholder process and alerting potential participants via the official BPU website http://www.nj.gov/bpu.

Questions should be directed to Rosalie Serapiglia in the Division of Energy via email at Rosalie.Serapiglia@bpu.state.nj.us.

Initial Stakeholder Meeting Schedule: In the Matter of The Board's Review of N.J.A.C. 14:5-9

Dates: April 1, 2014

Location: New Jersey Board of Public Utilities

44 South Clinton Avenue

Trenton, NJ 08625

Conference Room 2W (2nd Floor)

Time: 10am – 12pm

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Subsequent to this notice, additional meetings will be scheduled and draft proposals may be circulated. Those persons who have expressed interest or who attend the initial meeting will be added to a service list. Any person who is not able to attend the above meeting, but who nonetheless wishes to be added to the service list in this matter and receive future notices should contact Rosalie Serapiglia at the above email address.

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Dated: February 19, 2014