



STATE OF NEW JERSEY
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ENERGY

IN THE MATTER OF THE BOARD'S ESTABLISHMENT)	ORDER ADOPTING
OF GENERIC PROCEEDING TO REVIEW THE)	REVISED SCHEDULE
PRUDENCY OF COSTS INCURRED BY NEW JERSEY)	
UTILITY COMPANIES IN RESPONSE TO MAJOR)	DOCKET NO. AX13030196
STORM EVENTS IN 2011 AND 2012)	
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IN THE MATTER OF THE BOARD'S ESTABLISHMENT)	
A GENERIC PROCEEDING TO REVIEW THE)	
PRUDENCY OF THE COSTS INCURRED BY SOUTH)	DOCKET NO. GO13060600
JERSEY GAS COMPANY IN RESPONSE TO MAJOR)	
STORM EVENTS IN 2011 AND 2012)	

Parties of Record:

Ira Megdal, Esq., South Jersey Gas Company
Stefanie A. Brand, Esq., Director, New Jersey Division of Rate Counsel

BY PRESIDENT DIANNE SOLOMON:

By Order dated November 22, 2013, in response to a petition filed with the New Jersey Board of Public Utilities ("Board") by South Jersey Gas Company ("SJG") for the recovery of approximately \$718,891.08 in costs resulting from the preparation, response and restoration associated with Superstorm Sandy which occurred in 2012, the Board retained the matter for hearing, and designated me as the presiding Commissioner with authority to rule on all motions that arise during the proceeding, and to set a schedule that will secure a just and expeditious determination of the issues.

To aid in the setting of an appropriate schedule, I issued a proposed preliminary procedural schedule on January 2, 2014 ("January 2 Order") which was posted to the Board's website. The January 2 Order required all parties to file comments with the Board on the proposed schedule by January 16, 2014. After reviewing the proposals exchanged regarding the proposed schedule, and after giving due consideration to the positions of the parties, I set a schedule for this matter by Order dated February 7, 2014.

On June 3, 2014, the Division of Rate Counsel ("Rate Counsel") requested revisions to the schedule that were circulated to the parties for comment. I have been informed that there are no objections to the proposed revised schedule; therefore, I **HEREBY MODIFY** the schedule for this proceeding as follows:

June 11, 2014: SJG provides all outstanding first round data responses.

June 25, 2014: Deadline for second round of discovery.

July 17, 2014 at 2:30 p.m.: Settlement discussion/discovery conference.

July 18, 2014: Deadline for responses to second round of discovery.

July 30, 2014 at 10:00 a.m.: Settlement discussion/discovery conference.

August 28, 2014: Deadline for Rate Counsel/Intervener direct testimony.

September 4, 2014: Discovery requests propounded on Rate Counsel direct testimony.

September 18, 2014: Rate Counsel responses to discovery requests due.

September 30, 2014: Rebuttal Testimony filed by SJG.

October 7, 2014: Discovery requests propounded on rebuttal testimony.

October 14, 2014: Responses to discovery requests on rebuttal testimony.

November 3 and 6, 2014: Evidentiary hearings with live sur-rebuttal, if necessary, at the Board.

I **HEREBY DIRECT** that this Order be posted 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: June 10, 2014

BY:


Dianne Solomon
PRESIDENT

IN THE MATTER OF THE BOARD'S ESTABLISHING A GENERIC PROCEEDING TO
REVIEW THE PRUDENCY OF COSTS INCURRED BY SOUTH JERSEY GAS COMPANY IN
RESPONSE TO MAJOR STORM EVENTS IN 2011 AND 2012
DOCKET NOs. AX13030196 & GO13060600

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