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Aida Camacho-Welch,
Secretary
State of New Jersey Board of Public Utilities
44 South Clinton Avenue, 9th Floor,
PO Box 350
Trenton, New Jersey 08625-0350


Re: **I/M/O the Verified Petition of Rockland Electric Company for Approval of
Changes in Electric Rates, Its Tariff for Electric Service, and Its
Depreciation Rates; and for Other Relief
BPU Docket No. ER19050552
OAL Docket No. PUC07548-2019**

Dear Secretary Camacho-Welch:

Rockland Electric Company hereby submits an original and ten copies of Proof of
Service in the above matter.

Respectfully,

Case Mgmt
A. Hart, Esq.
A. Moreau, Esq.
P. Van Brunt, Esq.
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cc: Honorable Irene Jones, ALJ
Division of Rate Counsel

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CERTIFICATION OF SERVICE

I, Margaret Comes, of full age, certify as follows:

1. I am an Associate Counsel employed by Consolidated Edison Company of New York, Inc., which is the affiliate of Petitioner Rockland Electric Company ("the Company") in this proceeding.
2. I have been advised by the Company that on or about May 3, 2019, the Company sent the attached notice and statement about the filing of the Verified Petition in this matter, which is annexed as Exhibit A, to the municipal clerks and county executives who are within the Company's service territory and are listed on the annexed Exhibit B ("Clerk and Executives List").
4. On November 13, 2019, I caused the following to be mailed via regular mail to the Clerk and Executives List, New Jersey Rate Counsel, and the Office of Administrative Law: 1) Notice of Proposed Rate Increase and Notice of Public Hearing Thereon; and, 2) the Suspension Orders of the New Jersey Board of Public Utilities ("NJBP") in this docket dated May 28, 2019 and September 27, 2019. A copy of the transmittal letter is annexed as Exhibit C.

I certify that the foregoing statements made by me are true. I am aware that if any of the foregoing statements made by me are wilfully false, I am subject to punishment.

DATED: December 2, 2019


Margaret Comes

EXHIBIT A

Please see the attached press release regarding Rockland Electric's rate filing today. If you have additional questions about the filing we would be happy to meet with you.

ROCKLAND ELECTRIC FILES FOR ELECTRIC RATE REVIEW WITH NJBPU

Goals: Improved Storm Resilience, Customer Service, Tech Innovation

PEARL RIVER, NY May 3, 2019 --- To provide for the continued safe, reliable and secure operation of its electric delivery system, Rockland Electric Company today requested a regulatory review of its electric delivery rates by the New Jersey Board of Public Utilities (NJBPU).

Since Rockland Electric's last base rate review in 2017, a number of rate reductions related primarily to changes in the federal tax code and the completion of the recovery of storm costs incurred from Superstorm Sandy together lowered customers' bills by approximately \$16.5 million.

Rockland Electric today proposed a plan to provide for increased customer satisfaction, improved storm resilience and response, greater technological innovation, and more efficient operations.

Rockland Electric Company President and CEO Robert Sanchez said, "Today's rate review request is designed to meet the demands of a dynamic energy marketplace where customers desire more control over their energy usage and expect a more reliable and resilient system. This request achieves those goals."

He added, "At the same time, Rockland Electric will continue to champion its core values: public and employee safety, operational excellence and enhanced customer experience."

To fund these proposed electric delivery initiatives, Rockland Electric seeks an increase in revenues for electric delivery of \$19.9 million or 9.6 percent.

If approved by the NJBPU, the new rates proposed by Rockland Electric would provide a \$4.3 million revenue increase over revenues set during Rockland Electric's rate review in 2017 or 2.1 percent.

Under the proposed rates, the bill for a typical residential customer would increase by \$19.20 per month from the current bill of \$165.66, or \$5.66 more than the 2017 rate plan typical residential bill.

The key initiative in today's proposal to further improve the customer experience and increase customer engagement is Rockland Electric's successful completion of installation of approximately 73,000 electric smart meters throughout its service area in Bergen, Sussex and Passaic counties.

EXHIBIT B

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First Name	Last Name	Company	Job Title
Josh	Gottheimer	5th Congressional District	Congressman
John	Hogan	Bergen County	County Clerk
James	Tedesco, III	Bergen County	Executive
Ron	Kistner	Borough of Allendale	Administrative Officer/Director of Op
Ari	Bernstein	Borough of Allendale	Mayor
Anne	Dodd	Borough of Allendale	Municipal Clerk
Stephanie	Wehmann	Borough of Alpine	Borough Clerk
Paul	Tomasko	Borough of Alpine	Mayor
Loretta	Castano	Borough of Closter	Borough Clerk
Edward	Hynes	Borough of Closter	Interim Borough Administrator
John	Glidden	Borough of Closter	Mayor
vacant		Borough of Cresskill	Administrator
Francesca	Maragliano	Borough of Cresskill	Borough Clerk
Romeo	Benedict	Borough of Cresskill	Mayor
Susan	Crosman	Borough of Demarest	Borough Clerk / Coordinator
Melinda	Iannuzzi	Borough of Demarest	Mayor
Greg	Hart	Borough of Franklin Lakes	Administrator
Gail	Rulli	Borough of Franklin Lakes	Borough Clerk
Frank	Bivona	Borough of Franklin Lakes	Mayor
Ann	Bistritz	Borough of Harrington Park	Administrator / Clerk
Paul	Hoelscher	Borough of Harrington Park	Mayor
Ann	Fay	Borough of Haworth	Administrator / Municipal Clerk
Thomas	Ference	Borough of Haworth	Mayor
Maureen	Iarossi	Borough of Montvale	Administrator/Borough Clerk
Michael	Ghassali	Borough of Montvale	Mayor
Patrick	Marana	Borough of Northvale	Mayor
Wanda	Worner	Borough of Northvale	Township Clerk
Laura	Borchers	Borough of Norwood	Borough Clerk
James	Barsa	Borough of Norwood	Mayor
Richard	Kunze	Borough of Oakland	Administrator
Lisa	Duncan	Borough of Oakland	Borough Clerk
Linda	Schwager	Borough of Oakland	Mayor
Anna	Haverilla	Borough of Old Tappan	Administrator
Jean	Donch	Borough of Old Tappan	Clerk
John	Kramer	Borough of Old Tappan	Mayor
Bruce	Vozech	Borough of Ramsey	Administrator
Meredith	Bendian	Borough of Ramsey	Borough Clerk
Deirdre	Dillon	Borough of Ramsey	Mayor
Kelley	Halewicz	Borough of Ringwood	Borough Clerk
John	Speer	Borough of Ringwood	Mayor
William	McGuire	Borough of Rockleigh	Borough Administrator
Marcella	Giampiccolo	Borough of Rockleigh	Borough Clerk
Robert R.	Schaffer	Borough of Rockleigh	Mayor
Jerry	Giaimis	Borough of Saddle River	Administrator
Joy	Convertini	Borough of Saddle River	Borough Clerk
Al	Kurpis	Borough of Saddle River	Mayor

EXHIBIT C



Rockland Electric Company

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November 13, 2019

To the Addressed Municipal or County Official:

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Enclosed please find the following in the above matter:

1. "Notice of Proposed Rate Increase and Notice of Public Hearing Thereon."
2. New Jersey Board of Public Utilities ("NJBPU") "Order Further Suspending
Increases, Changes or Alterations in Rates for Service" dated May 28, 2019.
3. New Jersey Board of Public Utilities ("NJBPU") "Order Further Suspending
Increases, Changes or Alterations in Rates for Service" dated September 27, 2019.

For your convenience, the following is a hyperlink to the Verified Petition from the
Company's website: <https://www.oru.com/en/nj-rates-tariffs>

Please contact me if you have any questions.

Very truly yours,


Margaret Comes

c: NJ Office of Administrative Law
NJ Division of Rate Counsel