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Honorable Aida Comacho-Welch, Secretary N.J. Board of Public Utilities 44 South Clinton Avenue, 9<sup>th</sup> Floor P.O. Box 350 Trenton, NJ 08625

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Re: In the Matter of the Petition of South Jersey Gas Company for Approval To Continue Its Energy-Efficiency Programs ("EEP IV") and Energy Efficiency Tracker Pursuant to N.J.S.A. 48:3-98.1 BPU Docket No. GO18030350

Dear Secretary Camacho-Welch and Ms. Brand:

Pursuant to the New Jersey Board of Public Utilities ("Board") Order approving a Stipulation of Settlement ("Stipulation") in the above-captioned matter, South Jersey Gas Company ("SJG" or the "Company") respectfully notifies the Board and the Division of Rate Counsel ("Rate Counsel") of a re-alignment of funds between various sub-programs pursuant to Paragraph 21 of the Stipulation.<sup>1</sup>

On October 11, 2018, the Board approved the Company's EEP IV Program beginning November 1, 2018 through December 31, 2021. This approval authorized a total budget of \$81.3 million (\$72.1 million of investment and \$9.2 million of administration) for the term of the EEP IV program.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> The Stipulation requires the Company to notify the Parties, i.e. the Board and Rate Counsel, of any transfers of EE program funds between approved sub-program components

As a result of a greater than anticipated participation rate in its NJCEP Residential Programs sub-program by participants in the Company's service territory, the Company is realigning \$3.6 million to the NJCEP Residential Programs sub-program from the following two (2) sub-program:

- 1. \$2.3 million from the Residential Retrofit Weatherization Program;
- 2. \$1.3 million from the Residential Direct Install Program

The original Board approved budget for the NJCEP Residential Programs sub- program was \$48.14 million. As a result of the previous re-alignment of \$3.0 million and this additional realignment of \$3.6 million, the new budget for the NJCEP Residential Programs sub-program will be \$54.74 million. With this re-alignment, the Company maintains it will not exceed its previously BPU-approved budget of \$81.3 million for the EEP IV program.

Respectfully,

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