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## Via Electronic Mail

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Re: In the Matter of the Petition of Public Service Electric and Gas Company

for Approval of its Clean Energy Future-Energy Efficiency ("CEFEE")

Program on a Regulated Basis

BPU Docket Nos. GO18101112 & EO18101113

Dear Secretary Camacho-Welch:

This letter is in response to a letter from Public Service Electric & Gas ("PSE&G") entitled "Notification to Staff Regarding Enhanced Ida Incentives – September 27, 2021." Rate Counsel would like to inform the Board that it objects to PSE&G's notification that it will increase incentives under its Clean Energy Future Energy Efficiency ("CEFEE") program.

Pursuant to the BPU's Order Directing the Utilities to Establish Energy Efficiency and Peak Demand Reduction Programs, I/M/O the Implementation of P.L. 2018, c. 13 Regarding the Establishment of Energy Efficiency and Peak Demand Reduction Programs, BPU Docket Nos. QO19010040, QO19060748 & QO17091004, Order at 13 & 13 (June 10, 2020) (the "Framework Order"), PSE&G must request approval to adjust incentives provided under its core programs outside of its proposed incentive range and Rate Counsel has fifteen days to object; therefore this objection is timely within the date of PSE&G's notification. In addition, Rate Counsel notifies the Board that increasing incentives for the reasons stated in PSE&G's notification appear to be beyond what was contemplated under the Framework Order or the Board-approved Stipulation establishing the CEFEE Program.

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Rate Counsel requests a meeting with PSE&G and Board Staff to discuss PSE&G's notification of increased incentive levels described in its September 27<sup>th</sup> letter to the Board.

Respectfully submitted,

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