

PIVOTAL UTILITY HOLDINGS, INC. D/B/A ELIZABETHTOWN GAS
NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARINGS

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TO OUR CUSTOMERS:

On September 13, 2013 ("September 13 Petition"), Pivotal Utility Holdings, Inc. d/b/a Elizabethtown Gas ("the Company") filed a Petition with the New Jersey Board of Public Utilities ("BPU" or "Board") in BPU Docket No. GR13090839 to revise the Remediation Adjustment Clause ("RAC") component of its Societal Benefits Charge ("SBC") rate. The Company's SBC rate consists of four components: (1) the New Jersey Clean Energy Program ("CEP") component which recovers the costs of statewide energy efficiency and renewable energy programs mandated by the Board, (2) the Remediation Adjustment Clause, which allows the Company to recover certain environmental remediation costs, and two statewide low-income energy bill payment assistance programs: (3) the Universal Service Fund; and (4) the Lifeline program. The September 13 Petition only seeks to change the RAC component of the SBC rate. Specifically, the Company has petitioned the Board to establish a RAC rate of \$0.0318 per therm to be effective December 1, 2013. A comparison of the current and proposed rates is as follows:

	<u>Current Rate</u> <u>Per Therm</u>	<u>Proposed Rate</u> <u>Per Therm</u>
RAC	\$0.0106	\$0.0318

The proposed rate is subject to Board approval and may be higher or lower depending on the Board's final determination and the date on which such rate is made effective. The effect of the Company's filing to a typical residential customer using an average of 100 therms per month is illustrated below:

Consumption in				
Therms	<u>Present Bill</u>	<u>Proposed Bill</u>	<u>Change in Bill</u>	<u>Percent Change</u>
100	\$119.75	\$121.87	\$2.12	1.8%

Any assistance required by Customers in ascertaining the impact of the proposed rate increase will be provided by the Company on request. The Board has the statutory authority to establish the aforementioned rates at levels it finds just and reasonable. Therefore, the Board may establish this rate at a level other than that proposed by Elizabethtown.

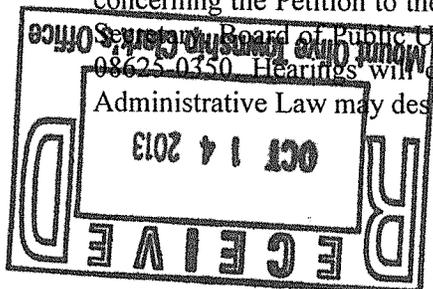
Copies of the Petition are available for inspection at the Company's office located at 300 Connell Drive, Suite 3000, Berkeley Heights, New Jersey, online at Elizabethtown's website: www.elizabethtowngas.com, and at the Board of Public Utilities, 44 South Clinton Avenue, 9th Floor, Trenton, New Jersey.

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that Public Hearings have been scheduled on the above mentioned Petition at the following times and places:

October 16, 2013 at 4:30 pm and 5:30 pm
Rahway Municipal Council, Court Chambers, City Hall Plaza, Rahway, New Jersey 07065

October 22, 2013 at 4:30 pm and 5:30 pm
Hunterdon County Complex, Route 12, Building #1, Flemington, New Jersey 08822

The public is invited to attend and interested persons will be permitted to testify and/or make a statement of their views on the proposed increase. In order to encourage full participation in this opportunity for public comment, please submit requests for needed accommodations, including an interpreter, listening devices and/or mobility assistance, 48 hours prior to this hearing. In addition, members of the public may submit written comments concerning the Petition to the BPU regardless of whether they attend the hearing by addressing them to: Kristi Izzo, Board of Public Utilities, 44 South Clinton Avenue, 9th Floor, Post Office Box 350, Trenton, New Jersey, 08625-0350. Hearings will continue, if necessary, on such additional dates and at such locations as the Office of Administrative Law may designate in order to ensure that all interested persons may be heard.



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Via FedEx & Electronic Mail

September 13, 2013

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**Re: *In The Matter Of The Petition Of Pivotal Utility Holdings, Inc. d/b/a
Elizabethtown Gas To Revise The Remediation Adjustment Clause
Component Of Its Societal Benefits Charge Rate –
BPU Docket No. GR _____***

Dear Secretary Izzo:

Enclosed for filing are an original and ten copies of the Petition of Pivotal Utility Holdings, Inc. d/b/a Elizabethtown Gas (“Elizabethtown” or “Company”) to the Board of Public Utilities (“BPU” or “Board”) to revise the Remediation Adjustment Clause (“RAC”) component of the Societal Benefits Charge (“SBC”) rate. Attached to and made part of the Petition are the testimonies and supporting schedules of Company witnesses Thomas Kaufmann and Steven L. Cook, marked as exhibit numbers P-1 and P-2, respectively.

The RAC Component of the SBC Rate

Elizabethtown's SBC was approved by the Board by an Order dated March 30, 2001 in BPU Docket No. GX99030121, *et al.* and November 21, 2001 in Docket No. EX00020091, *et al.* The SBC currently consists of four components: (1) the Remediation Adjustment Clause (“RAC”) component, (2) the New Jersey Clean Energy Program (“CEP”) component, (3) the Universal Service Fund (“USF”) component, and (4) the

Lifeline component. The SBC charge is applicable to all customers, with the exception of those exempt from the charge pursuant to the Long-Term Capacity Agreement Pilot Program legislation enacted on January 28, 2011.

Petitioner is not proposing changes to the CEP, USF or Lifeline rates in this filing. On June 21, 2013, the Company filed to change the USF and Lifeline rates effective October 1, 2013 in Docket No. ER13060534. On August 23, 2013 in Docket No. GR13080771, the Company filed to revise its CEP rate effective October 1, 2013. These filings are currently pending.

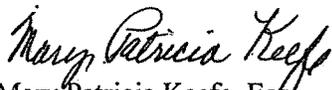
Elizabethtown proposes to increase its currently effective RAC rate from \$0.0106 per therm to \$0.0318 per therm, effective December 1, 2013. Elizabethtown's current SBC rate for the RAC was approved by the Board's April 29, 2013 Order with an effective date of May 10, 2013 in Docket No. GR11080485. The Company's RAC annual reconciliation filing for the 2011-2012 period filed in BPU Docket No. GR12100936 remains pending before the Board. The proposed RAC rate is designed to enable Elizabethtown to recover approximately \$14.1 million during the period ending September 30, 2014. A comparison of the components of the SBC reflecting the current rates and the proposed RAC rate is as follows:

	<u>Current Rate</u>	<u>Proposed Rate</u>
CEP	\$0.0763 per therm	\$0.0763 per therm
RAC	\$0.0106 per therm	\$0.0318 per therm
USF	\$0.0136 per therm	\$0.0136 per therm
<u>Lifeline</u>	<u>\$0.0048 per therm</u>	<u>\$0.0048 per therm</u>
TOTAL	\$0.1053 per therm	\$0.1265 per therm

Total Customer Impact

The proposed adjustment to the RAC rate would increase the monthly bill of a typical residential heating customer using 100 therms by \$2.12, from \$119.75 to \$121.87, or an increase of 1.8%, as compared to the Company's currently effective rates. Please contact the undersigned at (908) 771-8220 or Thomas Kaufmann at (908) 771-8225 if you have questions or require further information.

Yours truly,


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In The Matter Of The Petition Of Pivotal Utility :
Holdings, Inc. d/b/a Elizabethtown Gas To Revise : **Docket No. GR**
The Remediation Adjustment Clause Component :
Of Its Societal Benefits Charge Rate : **SUMMARY SHEET**
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This Petition presents the request of Pivotal Utility Holdings, Inc. d/b/a Elizabethtown Gas ("Petitioner") that the Board of Public Utilities ("Board") accept the filing of Petitioner's revised Remediation Adjustment Clause ("RAC") component of the Societal Benefits Charge ("SBC") rate. The Petition proposes that Petitioner's RAC rate be increased from \$0.0106 per therm to \$0.0318 per therm effective December 1, 2013. The proposed filing would increase the monthly bill of a typical residential heating customer using 100 therms by \$2.12 or 1.8%.

IN THE MATTER OF THE PETITION OF
PIVOTAL UTILITY HOLDINGS, INC. d/b/a ELIZABETHTOWN GAS
TO REVISE THE REMEDIATION ADJUSTMENT CLAUSE COMPONENT
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