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NJ Department of Environmental Protection, Green Acres Program Bureau of Legal Services and Stewardship 501 East State Street, 1st Floor, PO Box 412 Trenton, NJ 08625-0412

Re: PSE&G Southern Reinforcement Project

Block 1.01, Lot 1

Borough of Oaklyn, Camden County, NJ Notice of Green Acres Public Hearing

Dear To Whom It May Concern:

This letter is to provide you with written notification that the Camden County Parks Department, located at 1301 Park Blvd. Cherry Hill, New Jersey 08002, will hold a public hearing to obtain comments regarding its application to the NJDEP Green Acres Program, proposing to divert a total of approximately 0.013 acres of parkland (the "Park") situated within Block 1.01, Lot 1 on the tax maps of the Borough of Oaklyn, Camden County, for the construction of a proposed underground electrical circuit as part of Public Service Electric and Gas Company's (PSE&G's) regional electrical upgrades (the Project). This application is subject to NJDEP Commissioner and State House Commission approval, and once filed, will be available for review at the Oaklyn Borough Clerk's office at 500 White Horse Pike, Oaklyn, NJ 08107, at the Oaklyn Public Library located at 602 Newton Avenue, Oaklyn, NJ 08107, and at the NJDEP Green Acres Program offices (address below).

Pursuant to N.J.A.C. 7:36-26.11(e), a hearing to obtain public comment on this request will be held at the Oaklyn Borough Municipal Building, 500 White Horse Pike, Oaklyn Borough, New Jersey 08107

July 10, 2014 at 6:30 PM. All interested parties are invited to attend and participate in the public hearing. In addition to oral comments presented during the hearing, written comments may be submitted to the agencies listed below. All written comments must be received within two weeks following the hearing, by July 24, 2014.

The proposed parkland diversion would involve the installation of subsurface electrical circuits beneath Newton Lake adjacent to Black Horse Pike using microtunneling techniques. This involves boring horizontally below the bottom of the lake from pits dug on nearby properties. No disturbance to the lake will occur due to the construction, and the entirety of the lake will remain undisturbed when the Project is complete. In accordance with NJAC 7:36-26.10(e), Monetary compensation in the amount of \$2,500 for this diversion will be made into the Garden State Preservation Trust Fund. Information regarding this diversion request can be obtained by contacting Robert McCarthy of Public Service Electric and Gas Company at 908-412-6904.

Camden County Parks Department 1301 Park Blvd. Cherry Hill, New Jersey 08002-3752 Attention: Newton Lake Comments NJ Department of Environmental Protection Green Acres Program Bureau of Legal Services and Stewardship 501 East State Street, 1st Floor, PO Box 420 Trenton, NJ 08625-0420 <u>Attention</u>: Jessica Patterson

Should you have any comments, please contact me at (856) 216-2117.

Very truly yours

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