

TOWNSHIP OF WASHINGTON
BERGEN COUNTY, NEW JERSEY

RESOLUTION NO. 18-187

OPPOSE PSEG REQUEST FOR MULTIPLE 2018 RATE INCREASES

WHEREAS, on January 12, 2018, PSE&G requested a 1% rate increase for both electric and gas base delivery rates; and

WHEREAS, PSE&G has also requested that the BPU allow the decoupling of revenues from sales volumes which they believe encourage energy efficiency, renewables and other clean energy technologies; and

WHEREAS, this decoupling of revenues and sales volumes will ultimately lead to residential customers paying more for their electric and natural gas charges; and

WHEREAS, PSE&G has also asked the BPU to grant a separate rate increase to subsidize their nuclear plant operations; and

WHEREAS, PSE&G's Bergen County customer base that will specifically be affected by these three proposed rate increases include Englewood, Tenafly, Westwood, Hillsdale, River Vale, the Township of Washington, Emerson, Englewood Cliffs, Woodcliff Lake, Haworth, Old Tappan, Montvale, Cresskill, Closter and Park Ridge; and

WHEREAS, PSE&G will receive a 2018 federal tax reduction which will lead to a 15% windfall in profits which will more than offset the need for these rate increases; and

WHEREAS, the 15% federal government windfall, if invested in capital equipment and infrastructure improvements, would negate the need for future rate increases;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Governing Body of the Township of Washington does hereby formally oppose PSE&G's multiple rate increase requests now before the Board of Public Utilities; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Township of Washington requests that the Governing Bodies of the other affected municipalities pass resolutions in opposition to these multiple rate increase requests and send copies of the resolution to the Board of Public Utilities, ATTN: Rate Payer Advocate; and

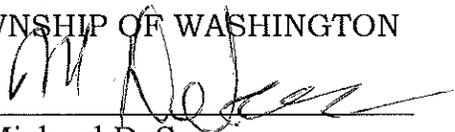
BE IT ALSO RESOLVED, that the Pascack Valley Mayors' Association and the Bergen County League of Municipalities also pass resolutions opposing these multiple rate increases.

ATTEST:



Susan Witkowski
Township Clerk

APPROVED:
TOWNSHIP COUNCIL OF THE
TOWNSHIP OF WASHINGTON

BY 

Michael DeSena
Council President

DATED: April 2, 2018

MOTION		SECOND		COUNCIL	AYES	NAYES	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
Bruno		Bruno		Bruno	X			
Cascio	X	Cascio		Cascio	X			
Cumming		Cumming	X	Cumming	X			
DeSena		DeSena		DeSena	X			
Ullman		Ullman		Ullman				X