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PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

Re: An Adjustment of the Rates of Delta Natural Gas Company, Inc., PSC Case No.

2004-00067

Dear Ms. O'Donnell,

Submitted herewith are ten pages of prior testimonies of Robert Henkes that should have been included in the attachment to the Response of the Attorney General to the first data request of Delta Natural Gas Company Inc. in the filing made by the Attorney General on July 29th. Because of the volume of the attachment to question one, only one copy was filed, to be kept with the original. Therefore, only one copy of this filing is made.

This letter serves to indicate that the pages have also been served on Robert M. Watt, III, on Leslye Bowman and on John Hall. The pages have been faxed to Mr. Watt to arrive on the same day as the Responses filed yesterday and sent by overnight mail and have been sent to all others by regular mail.

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IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION OF DELMARVA POWER & LIGHT COMPANY, PSC DOCKET NO. 03-127 D/B/A CONECTIV POWER DELIVERY, FOR A CHANGE IN ITS NATURAL GAS BASE RATES (FILED MARCH 31, 2003)

OF
ROBERT I. HENKES
ON BEHALF OF
COMMISSION STAFF

AUGUST 15, 2003

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Miscellaneous Expense Adjustments

Q. PLEASE EXPLAIN EACH OF THE MISCELLANEOUS EXPENSE ADJUSTMENTS OUTLINED ON SCHEDULE RJEI-20.

The first expense adjustment concerns the Company's proposed removal of a portion of its American Gas Association ("AGA") dues. The test year AGA dues amount to \$97,323 and the Company has removed \$2,102 from these test year dues based on its claim that 2.16% of AGA's annual funds is devoted to lobbying activities. Staff believes 15.43%, or \$15,017 of the test year AGA dues should be removed. Staff bases this belief on its review of the response to DPA-63. Page III-2 of this document shows that 15.43% of AGA's funding is devoted to "Public Affairs" activities, which activities are described on page III-3 as "provides members with information on legislative developments; prepares testimony, comments, and filings regarding legislative activities; lobbies on behalf of the industry." In addition, pages III-10 through III-14 of this same document show a long list of political contributions that are part of the Public Affairs activities (Cost Center 03). Thus, Staff believes that the portion of the test year AGA dues devoted to the funding of all Public Affairs activities should be removed for ratemaking purposes as these activities are not appropriately chargeable to the ratepayers.

The second expense adjustment concerns the recommended removal of the portion

⁷ For example, contributions to American Legislative Exchange Council; Center for the Study of the Presidency; Christmas in April; Congressional Black Caucus Foundation; Democratic Congressional Campaign Committee; Democratic Governor's Association; Democratic National Committee; Senatorial Campaign Committee; National

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of the response to DPA-63 shows that 8.91% of AGA's funding relates to Media Communications. This equates to the removal of \$8,671 (8.91% x \$97,323) from the test year AGA dues. Media Communication activities are described in summary form on page III-3 and listed in more detail in section IV of the response to DPA-63. Essentially, Media Communications include (1) institutional advertising to enhance the image of the gas industry; (2) general promotional advertising to promote the use of natural gas over other resources; and (3) gas-fired equipment promotions, including residential equipment such as boilers, furnaces, ranges, water heaters; commercial and industrial gas equipment; and promotions of Power Generation gas equipment. Staff does not believe that these types of generalized, nationwide goodwill and promotional activities to enhance the gas industry and market various gas-fired equipment is of any specific and direct benefit to the ratepayers in DPL's service territory. Staff therefore recommends that the \$8,671 portion of the test year AGA dues be removed for ratemaking purposes in this case.

The third expense adjustment concerns the removal of \$23,500 for institutional advertising expenses that are included in the test year expenses. Attachment No. 2 of the response to DPA-70 contains copies of the institutional advertising campaign making up the \$23,500. From Staff's review of the documentation contained in Attachment No. 2, it is clear that the primary purpose of the campaign is to enhance the image of Concetiv Power Delivery as a reliable power supplier and to picture the employees of CPD as good citizens who are making contributions to local or statewide communities and causes. In Staff's

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DELMARVA POWER AND LIGHT COMPANY - SAS MISCELLANEOUS EXPENSE ADJUSTMENTS

	_ DP	(1)	Adjustment	Staff
 Removal of Portion of AGA Dues Devoted to Lobbying and Legislative Activities 	\$	(2,102)	\$ <i>(</i> 12,915)	\$ (15,017) ₍₂₎
Removal of Portion of AGA Dues Devoted to Nedia Communications	•	_	(8,671)	(8,671) (3)
Removal of Institutional Advertising Expenses Ir cluded in the Test Year		-	(23,500)	(23,500) (4)
4. Removal of Donation Expenses in the Test Year		-	(61,614)	(61,614) (5)
5. Removal of Long Term incentive Pay Expenses		<u>.</u>	(24,415)	(24,415) (6)
6. Total Miscollaneous Expense Adjustments			\$(131,115)	
6. Impact on Income Taxes @ 40.655%			53,30 5	
7. Increase in Operating Income		=	\$ 77,810	

(2) <u>Per response to DPA-63, page III-2:</u>
Public Affairs portion of annual AGA expanditures: 15.43% x \$97,323 (Test Year AGA Dues) = \$15,017

(3) Per rosponse to DPA-63, page III-2;
Media Communications portion of annual AGA expenditures: 8.91% x \$97,323 (Test Year AGA Dues) = \$8,671

(4) Response to DPA-70

(5) Perresponse to PSC-A-82:

Do nation expenses included in test year Public Relations expenses:

De aware Gas Retail Distribution allocator:

Text year donation expenses - DP&L Gas

\$ 1,026,899

6%

\$ 61,614

(6) Pel response to PSC-A-77, p.1: (\$4,078 x 11.55%) + (\$527,781 x 39.28% x 11.55%) = \$24,415

⁽¹⁾ DF'&L Schedule No. 3-G

DEFORE THE CHAPE OF NEW JERSEY OFFICE OF ADMINISTRATIVE LAW

VM/O THE PETITION OF PUBLIC SERVICE)
ELECTRIC & GAS COMPANY FOR APPROVAL) BPU DOCKET NO. GR01050328
OF AN INCREASE IN GAS RATES AND FOR) OAL DOCKET NO. PUC-5052-01
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I/M/O THE PETITION OF PUBLIC SERVICE ELECTRIC & GAS COMPANY FOR AUTHORITY TO REVISE ITS GAS PROPERTY DEPRECIATION RATES)) BPU DOCKET NO. GR01050297) OAL DOCKET NO. PUC-5016-01

DIRECT TESTIMONY OF ROBERT J. HENKES ON BEHALF OF THE NEW JERSEY DIVISION OF THE RATEPAYER ADVOCATE

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the projected "6+6" test year expense amount of \$1.1 million. This same response also seems to suggest that the corrected "6+6" test year expense amount should be \$732,450, but that even this amount should be allocated to other expense accounts. Since the response to RAR-A-118 is not clear as to what the correct Account 924 - Property Insurance amount for the test year should be after all proper allocations are performed, I have reflected the actual Account 924 - Property Insurance expenses of \$215,537 for the most recent 12-month period for which actual data are available at this time, the 12 months ended March 31, 2001. This recommended expense number should be updated with actual Account 924 - Property Insurance expenses for the full actual test year once such information has become available. As shown on Schedule RJH-21, my recommendation increases the Company's proposed pro forma test year income by \$535,000.

Miscellancous Expense Adjustments

- Q. PLEASE EXPLAIN THE INCOME ADJUSTMENT FOR MISCELLANEOUS EXPENSE ADJUSTMENTS YOU SHOW ON SCHEDULE RJH-4, LINE 16.
- A. As shown in more detail on Schedule RJH-22, the overall miscellaneous expense adjustment amount is \$508,000, consisting of 9 different test year expense removal adjustments each of which I will now discuss.

The first adjustment concerns the removal of certain public relations expenses included in the test year which are classified by the Company as "community affair activity" expenses. The total test year amount for these expenses is \$219,000, as shown in the response to RAR-A-

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as philantropic activities, employee volunteer activities, summer concerts for the Newark community, promotional materials, community assistance in raising money for projects, and seminars on school violence. I recommend that these expenses be removed for rate making purposes as they are related to activities that have nothing to do with the provision of safe and adequated gas service. I also believe that these type of expenses represent contributions by PSE&G for which the New Jeresey Supreme Court ruled, in its recent Charitable Contributions decision dated July 25, 2001, that they may not be subsidized by the utility's captive ratepayers.

The second and third adjustments concern the removal of all "institutional" advertising

The second and third adjustments concern the removal of all "institutional" advertising expenses included in the test year. Specifically, the advertising expenses included in Account 930.1 - General Advertising are for image creation and goodwill building activities that have as their main purpose to promote PSE&G as a good corporate citizen. In addition, the Company has confirmed in response to SRA-43(c) that a portion of its American Gas Association ("AGA") dues is being used for national advertising and is not specifically focused to New Jersey or PSE&G's service territory. The Board has a rate making policy to disallow such so-called "institutional" advertising.

The fourth, fifth and sixth adjustments concern the removal of all lobbying expenses included in the test year expenses. The inclusion of these lobbying expenses in the test year above-the-line expenses is confirmed by the Company in its responses to SRA-43 and RAR-A-51.

The seventh adjustment concerns the removal from the test year of expenses associated

Sch. RJH-22

*PUBLIC'SERVICE ELECTRIC AND GAS COMPANY MISCELLANEOUS EXPENSE ADJUSTMENTS (\$000)

1. Removal of All Test Year Public Relations Expenses	(\$2 19)	Response to RAR-A-55
2. Remove Account 930.1 Institutional Advertising Expenses	(21)	Sch. RCK-14R
Removal of AGA Institutional Advertising	(5)	Response to SRA-43 C
4 Removal of AGA Lobbying Expenses	(16)	Response to SRA-43 B
5. Removal of NJUA Lobbying Expenses	(4)	(1)
6. Removal of Lobbying Expenses in Account 923	(120)	Response to RAR-A-51
7. Removal of Financial Services Expenses for PSE&G's Top Officers	(35)	Response to RAR-A-48
8. Remove EPRI Expenses Allocated to Gas Operations	(62)	Response to RAR-A-121
9. Remove Donation Expenses Allocated From PSEG	(26)	(2)
10. Tota Miscollanoous Expense Romovals	(508)	
11. Combined Income Tax Impact @40.85%	208	
12. Recommended Increase In Operating Income	\$301	

(1) Average lobbying percentage of 12% x test year gas NJUA dues of \$33,360 = \$4,003

(2) Per response to RAR-A-119:

- Libe ty Scionce Center \$25
- N.J. Aquarium 25
- Other Donations 37
- Total \$87
- Littlit / Aflocator 66.80%
- Gas Allocator 45.00%
- PSE&G's gas allocated expense \$26



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