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# REQUEST FOR COMMENTS

**New Jersey's Clean Energy Program *Protocols to Measure Resource Savings***
Released for Public Comment October 25, 2017

By Order dated June 29, 2016 Docket No QO16 060525 the New Jersey Board of Public Utilities (the Board) approved the ***Protocols to Measure Resource Savings*** – Revisions to FY2016 Protocols, Release Date May 31, 2016, Approved Date, June 29, 2016. The most recent version of the protocols approved by the Board have been independently reviewed by Energy Resource Solutions (ERS) with proposed changes which is now available for public comment.

The New Jersey's Clean Energy Program ***Protocols to Measure Resource Savings*** *(NJCEP Protocols)* is a public document of the algorithms used to determine energy and resource savings for technologies and measures supported by NJCEP. The protocols are updated from time to time by the NJCEP Program Manager to reflect the addition of new programs, modifications to existing programs, and the results of future program evaluations. The protocols are used statewide by the BPU, NJCEP Program Administrator, Utilities and Rate Counsel to assess clean energy program impacts and calculate related energy and resource savings. Resource savings to be measured include electric energy (kWh) and capacity (kW) savings, natural gas savings (therms), and savings of other resources (oil, propane, water, and maintenance), where applicable. In turn, these resource savings will be used to determine avoided environmental emissions.

In June 2017 ERS was contracted by Rutgers University to evaluate and update the NJCEP Protocols. The process involved the review and update of all assumptions, algorithms, lifetimes, and other data in the document, as well as the identification of measures that should be removed from or added to the Protocols: measures for which the program delivery mechanism has changed in such a way that the Protocols need to evolve, and measures that may not be reflected in the current Protocols.

**Process for Submitting Comments:**

The request for comments is for changes being proposed in 2017 to take effect in 2018 pending public comment and approval by the Board. Attached is the redline version of the proposed changes for comment along with a Memo Summary of Proposed Changes and a powerpoint presentation on the evaluation process and recommendations.

Comments should be submitted to: OCE@bpu.nj.gov by 5pm on November 9, 2017 under the heading "***NJCEP Protocols to Measure Resource Savings***"