



Via Certified Mail

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NOTICE TO NEIGHBORING LANDOWNERS & MUNICIPAL AUTHORITIES

**RE: APPLICATION FOR A NJDEP FLOOD HAZARD AREA AND FRESHWATER WETLANDS
INDIVIDUAL PERMIT
PSE&G ELECTRIC TRANSMISSION LINE RIGHT-OF-WAYS
VEGETATION MAINTENANCE PROGRAM
WITHIN THE FOLLOWING NEW JERSEY MUNICIPALITIES AND COUNTIES:**

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Burlington County: Chesterfield Township, Evesham Township, Lumberton Township, Medford Township, Mt. Laurel Township, Southampton Township, Willingboro Township. **Camden County:** Brooklawn Borough, Gloucester City, Winslow Township. **Essex County:** Livingston Township. **Gloucester County:** Franklin Township, Monroe Township, West Deptford Township, Westville Borough, Woodbury City. **Hunterdon County:** Delaware Township, Lambertville City, Raritan Township, Readington Township, Tewksbury Township, West Amwell Township. **Mercer County:** Hamilton Township. **Middlesex County:** Edison Township, North Brunswick Township. **Morris County:** Chatham Township, Florham Park Borough, Jefferson Township, Long Hill Township. **Passaic County:** Ringwood Borough, West Milford Township. **Salem County:** Alloway Township, Elsinboro Township, Lower Alloways Creek Township, Pennsville Township, Pittsgrove Township, Quinton Township, Upper Pittsgrove Township. **Somerset County:** Branchburg Township, Bridgewater Township, Hillsborough Township, Somerville Borough, Warren Township, Watchung Township. **Union County:** Berkeley Heights Township, Clark Township, Fanwood Borough, New Providence Borough, Scotch Plains Township.

Dear Interested Party:

This letter is to provide you with legal notification that PSE&G is submitting an application to the New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection (NJDEP), Division of Land Use Regulation (The Department) for a Flood Hazard Area Individual Permit and a Freshwater Wetlands Individual Permit for vegetation maintenance activities along its existing electric transmission lines that traverse the above referenced municipalities. The enclosed project location figure depicts the various right-of-way locations (outlined in red) situated in your applicable county. A brief description of the project is as follows:

The requested approval will authorize PSE&G to conduct vegetation maintenance activities regulated by the NJDEP on its electric transmission line Right-of-Ways (ROWs) in order to maintain compliance with state and federal vegetation standards for powerlines. The proposed maintenance will consist of tree cutting within and along electric transmission ROWs, where the trees have the potential to fall or enter the required electrical clearance distances and impact the reliability of the transmission system. The application is specifically for tree removal located in what is either classified as "forested" freshwater wetlands or riparian zones. No fill or structures are proposed as part of the routine maintenance, so there will be no net loss of wetlands or riparian zones associated with the maintenance. PSE&G is applying for a Flood Hazard Area Individual Permit and Freshwater Wetlands Individual Permit for the work associated with the vegetation maintenance within certain spans along the following ROWs:

- Branchburg – New York
- Branchburg – Whippany
- Bridgewater – Flagtown
- Burlington – Cox Corner
- Cox Corner – Cookstown
- Cox Corner – Marlton
- Deans – Metuchen
- Gloucester – Mantua Creek
- Hudson – Bergen
- Mercer – Trenton (East & West)
- New Freedom – Pinehill (East & West)
- Roseland – Lambertville
- Roseland – Metuchen
- Salem – Keeney
- Salem – New Freedom (North & South)
- Hope Creek – New Freedom
- Trenton – Lawrence
- Service - Colonial

The complete copy of the application package can be reviewed at either the municipal clerk's office within the above referenced municipalities or by appointment at the Department's Trenton Office. The Department of Environmental Protection welcomes comments and any information that you may provide concerning the proposed development and site. Please submit your written comments within 15 calendar days of the date of this letter to:

New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection
Division of Land Use Regulation
P.O. Box 420, Mail Code 501-02A
Trenton, New Jersey 08625
Attn: County Section Chief (for the County of Concern)

Should you have any questions or comments or require any additional information, please do not hesitate to contact the undersigned at claudia.rocce@pseg.com.

Sincerely,

PUBLIC SERVICE ELECTRIC & GAS



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Enclosures

