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**PSE&G ENCOURAGES ELIGIBLE CUSTOMERS TO APPLY FOR ASSISTANCE
IN PAYING WINTER HEATING BILLS**

(NEWARK, NJ – February 13, 2019) As cold weather and temperature fluctuations often lead to increased energy use and higher bills, PSE&G reminds customers that the Low Income Home Energy Assistance Program (LIHEAP) is accepting applications for financial assistance with heating and cooling costs. The LIHEAP program is run by the State of New Jersey Department of Community Affairs.

“There are several annual programs available to assist those who struggle to pay their utility bills. In particular, we encourage low income families to get help by applying now for LIHEAP,” said Greg Dunlap, PSE&G vice president of customer operations. “Under LIHEAP, those who qualify may receive an average of \$300 toward their heating bills and \$200 toward medically-necessary cooling costs.”

LIHEAP eligibility is based solely on last month’s household gross income and household size. To be eligible for LIHEAP benefits, the applicant’s household gross income must meet monthly income guidelines listed on the chart below. For example, a family of four with an income of \$4,184 or less per month may be eligible and should apply.

LIHEAP GROSS INCOME LIMITS	
Household Size	Monthly Gross Income
1	\$2,024
2	\$2,744
3	\$3,464
4	\$4,184

LIHEAP

For more information or to download a [LIHEAP application](#) or find out where to apply, visit [our website](#) or call 1-800-510-3102 or 211. Applications are also available at PSE&G’s 16 walk-in [Customer Service Centers](#). Applications and copies of all requested documents must be submitted by mail or in person to the designated LIHEAP in-take [agency](#) by August 31, 2019.

UNIVERSAL SERVICE FUND

The LIHEAP application is also an application for the Universal Service Fund (USF). USF is a program created by the State of New Jersey that can lower the amount low-income households pay for gas and electric bills with a monthly credit of \$5 to \$150. Applications for USF are accepted year-round.

OTHER PROGRAMS

PSE&G households that are not eligible for low income programs and are behind in their PSE&G bill should visit www.pseg.com/help for other programs like the PAGE Grant or NJ SHARES. Seniors over age of 65 or disabled adults collecting Social Security Disability may be eligible for the New Jersey Lifeline Credit program. NJ Lifeline provides a \$225 yearly credit on your PSE&G bill.

LIFE-SUSTAINING MEDICAL EQUIPMENT

If you qualify for assistance for medically-necessary cooling costs or are on life-sustaining medical equipment, ensure that you have alerted PSE&G and notify your local police and fire departments. For more information, visit pseg.com/life. It's important that you notify PSE&G if there is life-sustaining equipment in your home that relies on electricity to operate. Download the [Life-Sustaining Equipment Certification form](#) for completion by a physician and return it for PSE&G review. If you have questions, call PSE&G at [1-800-436-PSEG](tel:1-800-436-PSEG) (7734).

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