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## RESOLUTION OF SUPPORT FOR THE JCP&L MONTVILLE – WHIPPANY REINFORCEMENT PROJECT

WHEREAS The Borough of Wharton recognizes that reliable electric service plays a crucial role in the daily lives of Borough residents; and

WHEREAS The Borough of Wharton recognizes that reliable electric service also is critical to the local businesses within our community, and drives commerce in our Borough and across the region; and

WHEREAS The Borough of Wharton supports efforts to enhance our energy infrastructure to continue to provide families and businesses the reliable source of energy they need; and

WHEREAS The Borough of Wharton believes Jersey Central Power and Light Company's (JCP&L) Montville – Whippany Reinforcement project will enhance service reliability and system redundancy, and meet the ever-increasing demand for power in our borough; and

WHEREAS The Borough of Wharton has been informed that in the event of a transmission disruption or during periods of great demand, this new line can reroute electricity to help reduce the frequency and duration of outages; and

WHEREAS The Borough of Wharton has been informed that the approximate \$35 million investment will provide greater flexibility for rerouting power; and

WHEREAS The Borough of Wharton understands that this project will help to enhance the reliability of electric service today and in the future for approximately 86,000 customers in Morris and Sussex Counties.

WHEREAS The Borough of Wharton believes that JCP&L has made a good-faith effort to keep the community informed about this project and to limit any disturbances to our local businesses or the fine families that comprise the Borough of Wharton.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that Mayor and Council of the Borough of Wharton hereby finds and declares:

That the Montville – Whippany Reinforcement Project will benefit residents and businesses in the Borough of Wharton and throughout Morris County by enhancing the reliability and redundancy of the electric system and by limiting disruptions to our electric service.

The Montville – Whippany Reinforcement Project should be approved by the New Jersey Board of Public Utilities.

Adopted: September 14, 2015

BOROUGH OF WHARTON
WILLIAM J. CHEGWIDDEN,
MAYOR