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NJBPU Helps Hammonton Upgrade Street Lighting to LED Technology

- Town Expected to Save Approximately \$120,000 in Energy Costs Annually -

Hammonton, N.J. - New Jersey Board of Utilities President Richard S. Mroz joined Hammonton Mayor Steve DiDonato and Vincent Maione, Atlantic City Electric region president, to highlight the town's efforts to upgrade streetlights with high energy efficient LED technology. Hammonton is utilizing NJ's Clean Energy Program's (CEP) SmartStart Buildings program energy efficiency incentives to help replace 1,449 streetlights with LED lights installed throughout the community.

"The Board is happy to help the Town of Hammonton upgrade to new high energy efficient LED streetlights that will greatly improve lighting, make the community safer, and dramatically reduce the town's energy costs," said President Mroz. "This project will reduce the town's street lighting annual energy costs by nearly forty percent, an annual savings of about \$120,000."

"We are pleased the BPU provided us with the funding to help Hammonton replace its street lights with a much more desirable option. These new LED lights will not only allow us to provide a safer community for our residents, but will enable us to substantially lower energy costs for our taxpayers," said Mayor DiDonato.

"The LED Street Light Conversion Project will save the taxpayers of the Town of Hammonton several million dollars in energy costs in the next decade while conserving energy and upgrading our street lights with all new state of the art fixtures. We are very proud to work closely with our partners Atlantic City Electric and the New Jersey Board of Public Utilities."

"At Atlantic City Electric, we are advancing innovative technologies that are transforming the future energy experience for our customers," said Maione. "Energy efficient devices, like LED

streetlight technology, are just one of the ways we are providing new energy options that are helping customers, like the Town of Hammonton, save energy and money.”

Hammonton currently budgets approximately \$299,000 annually for energy to light its streets. With LED lights installed, it is estimated that the cost will drop to approximately \$180,000 per year. Hammonton’s total incentive from NJ’s Clean Energy Program will be \$141,500.

Hammonton is participating in NJ’s Clean Energy Program’s NJ SmartStart program, which offers incentives for remodeling, renovation, equipment replacement, new construction and additions for commercial, industrial and local government facilities. Under the CEP SmartStart Buildings program, the incentive for LED street lights ranges from \$50-\$100 per light, depending on the product utilized.